

Monday, November 20th, 2023

The Laurens City Council met in regular session at the Municipal Building at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 20th, 2023. Mayor Pro Tem John Jamison called the meeting to order. Present were Council members Hannah Zylstra, Loren Booth, Aaron Christenson, Jean Swanson, City Manager Hilary Reed, Public Works Director Julian Johnsen, Deputy City Clerk Joan Hoben, and Chief of Police Ben Aschenbrenner.

Zylstra moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the minutes from the November 6th, 2023, meeting, the list of claims, and Special Class B Retail Native Wine License – Heart ‘N Home. Booth seconded. All ayes: motion carried.

CLAIMS 11/20/23		
ADVANCED NETWORK PROFESSIONAL	WEBSITE HOSTING / TECH SUPPORT	320.00
AFLAC	MONTHLY GROUP INSURANCE	204.38
FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE	MONTHLY EYECARE INSURANCE	232.08
BADGER METER	TECH SUPPORT	48.72
BAKER & TAYLOR	BOOKS	880.48
CENGAGE	LARGE PRINT BOOKS	189.68
GREAT AMERICA FINACIAL SERVICE	COPIER LEASE	79.00
DELTA DENTAL	MONTHLY DENTAL INSURANCE	837.46
HALLETT MATERIALS	SALT/SAND MIX	292.21
IRS	FED/FICA TAX	5,676.15
JAMES LITWILLER	MILEAGE/MEAL FOR MEETING	52.40
LMPC	MONTHLY PHONE FEES	114.32
LMU	MONTHLY UTILITIES	333.52
LAURENS SUN	LEGALS	195.16
PETTY CASH	POSTAGE/SHIPPING/SUPPLIES	41.49
PRIME BENEFITS SYSTEM	MONTHLY GROUP INSURANCE	175.00
PRINCIPAL LIFE GROUP	MONTHLY LIFE INSURANCE	871.65
R&D INDUSTRIES, INC.	SECURITY TECH	175.00
RICHARDSON SERVICE	F150 PICKUP REPAIRS	84.89
SHAMROCK RECYCLE, INC.	CURBSIDE RECYCLING	1,895.20
USA BLUE BOOK	SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	229.47
VERIZON WIRELESS	MONTHLY CELL PHONE FEES	409.36
VISUAL EDGE, IT	MONTHLY COPIES	80.89
WELLMARK	MONTHLY HEALTH INSURANCE	9,653.20
	TOTAL	<u>23,071.71</u>

PAYROLL		11/13/2023	
001	GENERAL		5,310.18
210	ROAD USE TAX		1,810.06
600	WATER		3,183.25
610	SEWER		2,659.13
670	GARBAGE		3,557.51
	TOTAL		<u>16,520.13</u>
	PAYROLL TOTAL		<u>16,520.13</u>
	PAID TOTAL		<u>39,591.84</u>
001 GENERAL			10,073.32
110	ROAD USE TAX		2,837.69
112	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		6,295.72
600	WATER		6,440.68
610	SEWER		5,702.85
670	GARBAGE		8,241.58
	TOTAL BY FUND		<u>39,591.84</u>

John Graupman with Bolton & Menk presented to the council an update regarding the Wastewater Facility Permit Compliance Plan.

Zylstra moved to approve Resolution 21-23 – Wastewater Plan authorization to send to Iowa DNR, and application for disadvantaged community. Swanson seconded. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Zylstra, Booth, Swanson, Christenson, Jamison. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There was not a representative present for the Nuisance Hearing. No discussion or action was taken.

An update from Pat Sullivan regarding the Proposed Community Center was given.

Booth moved to approve going into closed session at 5:32 p.m. pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(j) to discuss the purchase or sale of particular real estate where only premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property or reduce the price the governmental body would receive for that property. Christenson seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

At 5:36 p.m. Booth motioned to come back into open session. Christenson seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Zylstra moved to approve Ordinance 01-23 Rezoning of Lot, Second Reading and waive the third reading. Booth seconded. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Zylstra, Booth, Swanson, Christenson, Jamison. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Christenson moved to approve Resolution 22-23 – Unpaid Fees. Zylstra seconded. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Zylstra, Booth, Swanson, Christenson, Jamison. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Booth moved to approve Health Insurance Renewal effective January 1, 2024. Zylstra seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Booth moved to approve the current Eye insurance renewal effective January 1, 2024. Zylstra seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Booth moved to approve the Delta Dental insurance renewal effective January 1, 2024. Swanson seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Zylstra moved to approve Resolution 23-23 Handbook Policy Update effective for FY24 as of July 1, 2023. Christenson seconded. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Zylstra, Booth, Swanson, Christenson, Jamison. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Swanson moved to approve the onetime payment. Christenson seconded. Ayes: Booth, Christenson, Swanson, Jamison. Abstaining: Zylstra. Motion carried.

Zylstra moved to adjourn 6:27 p.m. Booth seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

John Jamsion, Mayor Pro Tem

Hilary Reed, City Clerk