

Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderman on March 1, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Alderman Present: John Clough - Zoom  
Kelly Coleman - Zoom  
Rex Dale  
Ken Dodson  
David Langford  
Chris Speck

Alderman Absent: None

Mayor Curtis Hayes called the meeting to order.

Chris Speck made the motion to accept the minutes as handed out. John Clough seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Chris Speck made the motion to accept the agenda. Ken Dodson seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

William Ridley of Water Relief was present to discuss the water relief contact. He stated that there would be an extra \$2.45 on the customer's water bill per month. The customer can opt out of the program at any time. The customer can have 2 adjustments per year. This program does not cover sprinkler systems and swimming pools.

Alderman Coleman stated that he did not feel that this was a win/win for our customers and ask if the city could not come up with their own relief program that would be more affordable to our customers.

Alderman Clough was also concerned that some customers would not be able to afford the extra fee on their bill.

The Board ask city attorney John Meadows to check into the legalities of the city having their own water relief program.

After discussion, Chris Speck made the motion to table until next month's meeting. Rex Dale seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Ken Dodson made the motion to pass the second reading on Ordinance 2021-2-1(Updating WasteWater regulations). Chris Speck seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Ray Evans representing the Downtown Revitalization Committee requested that \$25,000 of the downtown revitalization funds be used for a Façade grant. There would be 2 grants available and that it would be for businesses in the downtown revitalization district.

Chris Speck made the motion for \$25,000 of the Downtown Revitalization funds be used for a Façade Grant. Ken Dodson seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

He discussed using downtown revitalization funds not to exceed \$35,000 for Live in Livingston. Live in Livingston would be held from July thru October.

Alderman Clough ask if we were ready to promote events where large crowds would be present.

It was stated that these events would be held outdoor, and they would be able to social distance. Mayor Hayes stated that if there was an upswing in Covid cases, the events would not take place.

Ken Dodson made the motion to approve \$35,000 being used for Live in Livingston. Rex Dale seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Ray Evans also reported on using Downtown Revitalization Funds for the Courthouse Grounds project. This would be an 80/20 grant. The fountain on the square will not be moved.

Chris Speck made the motion to approve the use of downtown revitalization funds for this project. John Clough seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Ray Evans also stated that they are developing a plan to improve and upgrade the street name markers on the square with LED street name markers. The cost of this project would be approximately \$18,000.00.

Kelly Coleman made the motion to approve this expenditure. Rex Dale seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Greg Davenport of J. R. Wauford & Company reported on the water system leakage. He stated at the current time they are assembling maps in zones so they will be able to assess which zones have the most leakage. He will report back on this at the April meeting.

Kevin Flanary of the U. S. Census gave an update of the 2020 census.

Rebecca Clayton gave an update of the Hazard Mitigation. She stated that the Hazard Mitigation Plan had been approved by FEMA on February 23, 2021.

David Langford made the motion to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading on Ordinance 2021-3-1 (Changing the zoning classification of the Crowder property located at 915 N. Church Street from I-1 to C-1 as recommended by the Livingston Planning Commission). Ken Dodson seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Mayor Hayes presented the following Ordinances adopting the 2018 International Codes: 2021-3-2 (adopting the 2018 Edition of the International Building Code; 2021-3-3 (adopting the 2018 Edition of the International Fuel Gas Codes; 2021-3-1 (adopting the 2018 Edition of the International Plumbing code; 2021-3-5(adopting the 2018 Edition of the International Existing Building Code); and 2021-3-6(adopting the 2018 Edition of the International Mechanical Code).

David Langford made the motion to pass the first reading on Ordinance 2021-3-2, 2021-3-3, 2021-3-4, 2021-3-5 and 2021-3-6. Chris Speck seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Ken Dodson made the motion to add a 710 Champion Grader to the list of surplus property that will be sold at public auction. Chris Speck seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Airport Chairman Jason Duke presented the following list as airport committee members: Chairman Jason Duke, Vice-Chairman Jason Copeland, Al Beardsley, Ben Danner, Warren Janzen, James Sells, Ken Dodson, Chris Speck, Shannon Cantrell, Robbie Melton, Reggie Robertson, and Connie York.

Rex Dale made the motion to approve the airport committee list. David Langford seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Chairman Duke stated that 1 bid had been received on the Self-Service Fueling system for the Airport. The bid was from Rebel Services in the amount of \$18,110.68. There is 90/10 grant for this. The city would pay 5% and the county would pay 5%.

Ken Dodson made the motion to accept the bid from Rebel Services for the self-service fueling system. Kelly Coleman seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Chris Speck made the motion to appoint Cynthia Julian Simmons to the BZA to replace Charles Maynard who resigned. Rex Dale seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Ken Dodson made the motion to adjourn. Chris Speck seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

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Mayor

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