

City of Menlo
Regular City Council Meeting
January 6, 2021 – 7:00 PM
Menlo Community Building

The Menlo City Council held a regular meeting on Wednesday, January 6, 2021, in the Menlo Community Building following Governor Reynolds recommendations for social distancing and masks. Mayor Griswold called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with Korradi, Jacobson, O'Brien, Miller, and Jones present. Attorney Eddie Fishman was also present. Motion by Jacobson seconded by Jones to approve the agenda. All ayes.

Mayor discussed why we changed the nuisance properties to the abandoned properties on the agenda. Primary reason was because of the winter season the citizens will not be able to "clean up" any nuisance in yards due to the snow.

Faust reported the campground is now completely closed for the season. We did have a camper leave without paying this year. Councilman O'Brien thanked Jake for a job well done plowing the streets during the last snowfall.

Clerk Saxton reported that work on the preliminary FY22 budget and W2's would be completed soon.

Menlo Park and Rec approached the council for permission to put new carpet and flooring in the community building and kitchen. Dave with Archer Home Center in Adel was present to discuss the different types of flooring options and recommendations. Motion by O'Brien seconded by Korradi to have Menlo Park and Rec proceed with getting quotes on paint and ceiling tiles and come back to the council with a grand total at the February meeting. All ayes.

WCV property survey was tabled until February meeting to get more estimates.

Property repair of 404 5th St roof has made progress.

Motion by Jones seconded by Jacobson to appoint Mayor Protem Troy Miller. All ayes.

Motion by Jacobson seconded by Miller to approve Resolution 2021-02 Regarding appointments by council and mayor. Roll call vote: Jones aye, Miller aye, O'Brien aye, Korradi aye, Jacobson aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Korradi seconded by Jones to approve Resolution 2021-01 Set Public Hearing Date for FY22 Maximum Property Tax Dollars. Roll call vote: Jones aye, Miller aye, O'Brien aye, Korradi aye, Jacobson aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Jones seconded by Korradi to approve Resolution 2021-03 Employee Health Insurance Carrier. Roll call vote: Jones aye, Miller aye, O'Brien aye, Korradi aye, Jacobson aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Jones seconded by O'Brien to appoint alternate Troy Miller and secondary alternate Larry Jacobson for the EMA commission. All ayes.

Approval of Rick Cummings chicken permit was tabled till February 2021 meeting.

Camping fees for the upcoming season were discussed. Motion by Jacobson seconded by Jones to increase camping fees to \$18.00 per night and a 2-week deposit for longer stays. All ayes.

Set a budget workshop date for January 10th, 2021 at 5pm.

Abandoned properties were updated by attorney Fishman. Fishman sent a letter to the property owners 422 Sherman St. for repairs, no response as of council meeting. Council discussed next options for handling the abandoned property. Petition was filed this week regarding the 510 Sheridan property.

Motion by Jacobson seconded by Jones to open public forum. All ayes. No public comment. Motion by Jones seconded by Miller to close public forum. All ayes.

Motion by Miller seconded by Jacobson to approve the consent agenda, minutes of regular meeting 12/02/2020 and bills submitted for approval, and clerk reports. All ayes.

Motion by Jones seconded by Korradi to adjourn the meeting. All ayes.

Mayor Griswold declared the meeting adjourned at 8:06 PM.

Lyle Griswold, Mayor

Attest: Polly Saxton, City Clerk

DECEMBER BILLS SUBMITTED FOR
APPROVAL

VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Salaries		\$ 8,829.50
IPERS		\$ 995.33
EFTPS - US Treasury	Federal Withholding	\$ 2,236.12
State of Iowa	State Withholding	\$ 230.00
Total Payroll		\$12,290.95
Adair County Sanitary	Landfill payments	\$ 2,471.00
Agriland FS	Diesel	\$ 75.10
Alliant Energy	Utilities	\$ 1,996.09
Central IA Distributing	Supplies	\$ 59.90
Coon Valley Coop Telephone	Phone	\$ 254.40
Farmers Electric Coop	Utilities	\$ 42.32
Hopkins & Huebner	Attorney Fees	\$ 870.56
Mulch Mart	Play Mat Bulk	\$ 1,022.00
The Stuart Herald	Publication	\$ 116.17
United Healthcare	Health Ins.	\$ 964.90
US Post Office	Postage	\$ 35.00
Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	\$ 56.89
Visa	Masks	\$ 120.02
Xenia Rural Water	Utilities	\$ 146.70
December	Expenses	Revenue
General Fund	\$ 9,148.71	\$ 5,608.45
Library	\$ 664.38	\$ 793.90
Road Use	\$ 1,576.03	\$ 3,840.03
Employee Benefits	\$ 1,807.33	\$ 1,762.73
Emergency		\$ 124.23
LOST	\$ 4,960.00	\$ 2,747.99
Sewer	\$ 2,365.55	\$ 3.97
	\$ 20,522.00	\$14,881.30
2020 Wages		
Troy Miller		\$ 665.00
Lawrence Faust		\$48,887.14
Lyle Griswold		\$ 1,440.00
Doug O'Brien		\$ 735.00
Dorothy Korradi		\$ 805.00
Larry Jacobson		\$ 805.00
Polly Saxton		\$ 5,396.40
Gwen Blass		\$ 6,153.05
Amberly Allsup		\$11,035.82
Cheyenne Kline		\$ 194.70
Michael Comstock		\$ 3,059.60
James P. Jones		\$ 805.00
Julie O'Brien		\$14,449.50
	TOTAL WAGES	\$94,431.21