

Monday, December 2, 2019
Meeting
7:00 p.m.

Regular

Lake View Municipal Building

The Lake View City Council met in regular session on Monday, December 2, 2019 at the Lake View Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Westergaard at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken: Present: Councilors Tami Moeller, Terry Reis, Vickie Toms, Ken Steinkamp, and Dave Woltman. Also present: Bill Leners, Austin Bruening, Taylor Bohm, Gary Kruse, Jane Croll, and Dale Wegner.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Moeller, second by Woltman, to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

- a. Approve the tentative agenda.
- b. Approve minutes from November 18th.
- c. Approve liquor license for T&J Inc., LLC dba Laney's Corral.
- d. Approve bills and authorize payment.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Business Sign Program

Gary Kruse, representing Lake View's Housing / Economic Development Committee, presented information about a business sign program. The Committee has designed "blade" signs to be used at our retail and service businesses. These are two-sided 12" X 24" signs which hang from a metal bracket made with a scroll design. Cost of each sign and bracket will be around \$80.00. These are pedestrian signs most likely used in the downtown area, but these signs will be offered to all businesses in Lake View. Gary asked for the City to fund these signs, with the anticipated maximum of around 40 signs.

Councilor Woltman stated that he liked the signs but had concerns about spending public funds on them. Councilor Toms stated that these signs are a form of economic development. She also stated that there is some grant funding which the community could apply for to offset the cost.

Motion by Toms, second by Moeller, to approve City funding of the business sign program contingent upon the grants being applied for. Roll call vote: Ayes: Moeller, Reis, Steinkamp, Toms. Nays: Woltman. Motion carried.

Hire Public Works Employee

Motion by Woltman, second by Toms, to approve **Resolution #19-39:** "Resolution Hiring Public Works Employees and Establishing Wages." Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried. Austin Bruening was hired at a wage of \$19.32 per hour. The wage of Thomas Gross was also increased to \$19.32 per hour.

Driveway Re-construction at 135 5th Street.

The Council reviewed a proposal from Dakota Werkmeister to replace portions of Karen Wetzsteins driveway at 135 5th Street to correct workmanship issues resulting from the 2017 street construction project. Werkmeister would perform the work for \$15.00 per square foot with an estimated cost of \$7,500. Motion by Woltman, second by Reis, to hire Dakota Werkmeister to perform the work. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion on Water Rates

The City Clerk/Administrator reviewed a financial report for the Water Fund and suggested that the City Council look at a possible rate increase in water fees. As the City is in the last year of large rate increases for sanitary sewer, the Council expressed their desire to wait on a possible water rate increase. This will be re-considered next year.

City Clerk/Administrator Report.

Lagoon: The Council reviewed correspondence from Veenstra & Kimm outlining the process for the lagoon project close-out. No action was taken.

Fire Department / Trustees Meeting: The Council will meet with the Fire Department and Trustees from the townships served by LVFD on Monday, December 9th at 7:00 p.m. at the Fire Station.

Motion by Woltman, second by Steinkamp, to adjourn. On vote: all ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

John Westergaard, Mayor

Scott Peterson, City Clerk/Administrator