

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

November 1, 2021

On Monday, November 1, 2021 at the Municipal Hall at 7:00 p.m. the regular meeting of the Council, City of Fredericksburg Chickasaw County was held.

Mayor Jimmy Mitchell, in the chair and called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. with Council Members Doreen Cook, Dean Speicher, Randolph Leach, Sheriton Dettmer present at 7 pm and Kyle Wendland present at 7:10 p.m.

Employee's present – Cindy Lantow

Guests present – Amanda Moenk from the F'Burg Review, Sheriff Marty Hemann, Cesar Botello; Jayden Hartley, Rilee Kruse, Milo Drape, Dan Lewis, and Micah Showers.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

A motion by Cook second by Leach to approve the consent agenda as presented and with the addition of Mechanic Street survey / property lines; Minutes of the October 4, 2021 Council Meeting; Financial Reports – September / October 2021; Summary List of Bills; Overtime / Comp Time Hours for October 2021 and Hours worked for the Part-time Employees from October 1 – October 31, 2021. All members present voting aye, motion carried. (Note: Wendland was absent from this vote.)

Comments by Mayor – The mayor noted that there a lot of items on the agenda with some being small items but still relevant.

Citizen Forum - No one spoke at this time.

Law Report – Sheriff Marty Hemann presented the October 2021 law report with 102.0 hours spent in Fredericksburg in the month of October. Total Hours July – October 2021: 390.0 (Average 97.5 hours per month). The Sheriff went over the law report with the Council and opened it up for questions.

Old Business –

Ambulance 28E – The RFP has been sent out to 5 entities and the selection is to be made on Nov. 24th. It was noted that the RFP had the full support of the ambulance council, unanimous across the county. No action taken at this time.

Substation – Updates (if any) – The mayor noted that quite a bit of work has been done. The city has the signed utility easement with Farmers Win Coop/ the transformers are here and that Cornbelt is waiting on some equipment. All in all, good progress is being made. Cook noted that she was told that the wire prices were locked in.

City Attorney Updates – None at this time.

Library Report – The report was in the Council’s packet for their review.

Building Permits – the following building permit applications were presented to the Council -

Dan & Beth Lewis – Garage @ 2875 Vineyard Lane – A motion was made by Dettmer second by Leach to approve the application as presented. All members present voting aye, motion carried.

Robin Reisner – Garage @ 320 Mechanic Street – Discussion was held and after the discussion a motion was made by Wendland second by Speicher to table this application until more information was received. All members present voting aye, motion carried.

New Business –

SF High School Prom – The SF Prom will be held here at the Community Center in April and to help the students, a motion was made by Speicher second by Dettmer that the rental fee would be waived. All members present voting aye, motion carried.

Irrigation Agreement – Leach went over what he had discussed with Stardell Farms. Cook stated that she would like to see this tabled for the time being as she is waiting for some information for solar that could be in the lagoons and she would like to have that information before any decision was made on the irrigation agreement as there could be variables that would affect the irrigation agreement. A motion was made by Cook second by Leach to table this until a further date. All members present voting aye, motion carried.

Tree Removal Bids – Discussion was held the walnut tree bids and a motion was made by Leach second by Speicher to table at this time to get more info and more bids. All members present voting aye, motion carried. There was also a bid to take down 3 other ash trees that are too big for the city guys to take down. A motion was made by Leach second by Wendland to get other bids for this also. All members present voting aye, motion carried.

Permanent Stop Sign to Replace Portable Signs by School – The Superintendent at the School is working with the IDOT to get more of a permanent stop sign on East Main and Jackson Avenue intersection for school time in the mornings and afternoon. A motion was made in the form of a resolution to approve placing one stop sign at East Main & Jackson Avenue during school hours by Dettmer second by Leach. (The city sets the school zone area and this stop sign will in the school zone). Ayes: Speicher, Leach, Dettmer, Wendland, Cook. Nays: None. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution No. 1336-11-2021 passed and approved as of this date.

Upper Wapsi Watershed – Yearly Contribution – A motion was made by Dettmer second by Leach to approve paying \$600.00 to the Upper Wapsi Watershed for a yearly donation as they asked. All members present voting aye, motion carried.

New Hampton Red Power – new tractor lease- Leach stated that the new Case tractor lease will now be \$2500 per year instead of the \$500 and that the lease starts on November 1st of each year. The terms of the lease will stay the same with the new price increase. A motion by Dettmer second by Cook to approve the new lease amount price. All members present voting aye, motion carried.

Old Pressure Washer – a motion was made by Dettmer second by Leach to put the old pressure washer out for bid. All members present voting aye, motion carried.

Permission to put up Mail Boxes from Jackson Avenue to V48 – A motion by Dettmer second by Speicher to approve additional mail boxes being put up from the corner Jackson Avenue and Main Street to the corner of V48 and Main Street. This rescinds a letter that was sent to the post office in 1999. All members present voting aye, motion carried.

Trail Repair by Ron Brown's old place – No action was taken at this time. Curt will try to fix temporarily and Speicher will talk with the County and the new homeowner to see what can be done and whose responsibility it is.

Wurzer Property / Trail –Easements are being reviewed. The Council was in consensus that that portion of the Trail would not be closed this year. No action taken at this time.

Cooler for Bar – The Council gave Lantow permission to get pricing on a new cooler for bar storage.

Chickasaw County Community Foundation Grant - The Park & Rec Committee will talk to Curt to see what might be good items to apply for with this grant.

TIF – Housing – This item was discussion only at this time. More information will be coming in the near future.

EMS – First Responders – Some discussion was held on what can be done to get a First Responder group started here in Fredericksburg. Cook has talked with Garrett Raum and he will be taking the EMT Class and is willing to work with us to get a group going here in town. More information is needed before any decisions are made at this time. No official action was taken at this meeting.

Solar Power Updates – This was tabled with a motion by Cook second by Leach. All members present voting aye, motion carried.

Lions Road – Sewer / Water – Discussion was held on how to proceed with this project. Many thoughts and suggestions were discussed. Wendland made a motion and then took back the motion as more information is needed. The mayor stated that the Committee (Leach & Cook) need to meet and get a good solution to be presented at a future meeting. A motion was made by Wendland second by Dettmer to table this discussion at this time.

Dawn Ave – Water Issues – It was noted that the FCDC is looking into this and will get information back to the City.

Employee Request for Job Duty Discussion – (Possible Closed Session per Chapter 21.5 (i) To evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session.) Cindy Lantow requested to go into closed session to discuss job duties. A motion was made by Dettmer second by Leach to go out of regular session. Ayes: Speicher, Leach, Dettmer, Wendland Cook. Nays: None. Motion carried. A motion by Dettmer second by Cook to go into closed session. Ayes: Speicher, Leach, Dettmer, Wendland, Cook. Nays: None. Motion carried.

After discussion in closed session, a motion was made by Cook second by Speicher to go out of closed session. Ayes: Speicher, Leach, Dettmer, Wendland Cook. Nays: None. Motion carried. A motion was made by Cook second by Leach to go back into regular session. Motion carried.

Job Duties / Advertising - A motion was made by Cook second by Dettmer to change the title from City Administrator to City Clerk. All members present voting aye, motion carried. The mayor stated that Cindy Lantow would like to start transitioning towards retirement and the city will be advertising for a City Clerk and that Lantow will be working with the new hire and will transition to Deputy Clerk in the future. A motion by Cook second by Dettmer to start working on the ad. All members present voting aye, motion carried.

Action Board – The mayor went over the action board with the Council. No official action was taken during this discussion.

COMMENTS – Council – Cook updated the Council on pricing for a new pump for the Main Lift Station which Ray will be ordering as this is considered maintenance. The Council agreed. Speicher also stated that he is getting a price for Ray for the Clover Circle lift Station. No action taken.

A motion was made by Speicher second by Leach to adjourn at 9:18 p.m. All members present voting aye, motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the Fredericksburg City Council is Monday, December 6, 2021 at 7 p.m.

Jimmy Mitchell, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy Lantow, City Administrator

CLAIMS REPORT

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
20/20 FX	LABOR / SUPPLIES	178.75
ALL STOP	GAS	228.41

AMAZON.COM	LIBRARY SUPPLIES	1,087.00
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS SERVICE	196.11
BODENSTEINER IMPLEMENT	MOWER	4,179.32
BUTLER COUNTY REC	ELECTRIC SERVICE	111,802.65
CENGAGE LEARNING	LIBRARY SUPPLIES / BOOKS	272.51
CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT	LIBRARY BOOKS	90.48
CHICKASAW CO EXTENSION	REGISTRATION FEES	105.00
CHICKASAW CO RECORDER	RECORDING FEES	22.00
CINDY LANTOW	CELL PHONE REIMBURSE	40.00
CITY OF FREDERICKSBURG	ELECTRIC SERVICE	9,172.36
COURTNEY MCLAUGHLIN	LABOR	51.50
CULVER HAHN	SUPPLIES	2,251.60
CURT GRUENBERG	REIMBURSEMENTS	7.16
DARREN STEINLAGE CONSTRUCTION	LABOR / MATERIALS	3,250.00
DEARBORN NATIONAL LIFE	LIFE INSURANCE	50.25
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	1,845.27
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	1,682.26
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	343.62
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	3,871.15
F'BURG FAMILY HEALTH CLINIC	FIRE PHYSICALS	195.00
F'BURG FOOD CENTER	SUPPLIES	313.00
F'BURG FOOD CENTER	SUPPLIES	64.98
FARMERS WIN COOP	GAS/DIESEL/SUPPLIES	1,661.14
FEHR GRAHAM ENG & ENVIRONMENTL	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	2,702.00
FLOYD MITCHELL LANDFILL	LANDFILL CHARGES	1,409.11
GAIL KITTLESON	BOOKS	23.00
HAWKINS INC	CHEMICALS	849.71
HSA - CINDY LANTOW	HSA PRE-TAX	425.00
HSA - CURTIS GRUENBERG	HSA PRE-TAX	375.00
HSA - RAY ARMBRECHT	HSA PRE-TAX	425.00
HSA- ROBERT SCHULZ	HSA PRE-TAX	475.00
IAMU	SEWER LOAN-PRIN / INT	1,902.79
INSURANCE ASSOCIATES	LIQUOR LIABILITY INS.	75.00
IOWA BARNS	BOOKS	29.95
IOWA ONE CALL	ONE CALLS	19.80
IPERS	IPERS - REGULAR	3,331.73
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JACKIE SASSMANN	LABOR	46.35
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	SUPPLIES	47.40
KABRICK DISTRIBUTING	BEER	95.55
KABRICK DISTRIBUTING	BEER	78.30
KRIVACHEK JANITORAL SUPPLY	JANITORAL SUPPLIES	719.66
MATTKE & ROGERS	LABOR	50.00

MEDIA COM	PHONE SERVICE	413.75
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY INC	WATER METERS / SUPPLIES	1,584.00
NEW HAMPTON RED POWER	TRACTOR LEASE	500.00
NOLTE EXCAVATING	LABOR / ROADSTONE	440.00
NORTHEAST SECURITY BANK	ACH FEES	20.00
NORTHEAST SECURITY BANK	GOV PAY RETURN	102.00
NORTHEAST SECURITY BANK	GOV PAY RETURN	122.00
PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL	41.60
QUALITY PUMP & CONTROL	LABOR/MATERIALS	1,129.00
RICOH-WELLS FARGO	COPIER MAINTENANCE	255.02
STANTON ELECTRIC	LABOR / MATERIALS	903.25
STATE HYGIENIC LAB	WATER TESTING	1,214.00
TEAM LAB	CHEMICALS	1,714.00
TESTAMERICA LABORATORIES INC	TESTING	2,464.35
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	STATE TAX	711.00
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	3,563.00
TREVOR HARRIS	LABOR	422.50
TREWIN PUMPING SERVICE	PORTABLE TOILET RENTAL	50.00
UNGGOY BROADBAND	PHONE SERVICE	19.95
UNITED BEVERAGE	BEER	142.50
UNITED HEALTH CARE	HEALTH PRE-TAX	3,749.47
UNITED HEALTH CARE	HEALTH INSURANCE	2,516.73
US CELLULAR	CELL PHONE SERVICE	317.16
US POST OFFICE	STAMPS	200.00
VANGUARD PUBLISHING	PUBLICATIONS	357.45
VISA	SUPPLIES	1,136.85
WESTY'S HARDWARE HANK	SUPPLIES	761.17
X STREAM PRESSURE EQUIPMENT	POWER WASHER	4,966.20
YOUTH SPORTS FOUNDATION	YSF FEES	2,160.00
ZIPS DIRECT	CLOTHING - BOB	173.95
Accounts Payable Total		\$ 184,199.62
Invoices: Paid		181,682.89
Invoices: Scheduled		2,516.73
Payroll Checks		15,552.55
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		\$ 199,752.17
GENERAL		36,349.60
WATER		12,351.55
SEWER		23,342.14
SEWER SINKING		1,902.79
ELECTRIC		119,031.29
LANDFILL/GARBAGE		6,774.80
TOTAL FUNDS		\$ 199,752.17

