

**STRATFORD CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
February 8, 2021**

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The Stratford City Council met for a budget work session on Monday, February 08, 2021, with Mayor Larry Runyan calling the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. at City Hall.

Council members answering roll call were: Heather Conklin, Mitch Peterson, and Justin Richardson. Also present was City Manager Kim Leeds.

Council and City Manager Leeds reviewed Fiscal Year 2022 Budget and Capital Improvement Plan.

Moved by Peterson, seconded by Richardson to close the budget work session at 6:54 p.m. Roll call vote: Conklin – aye, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

The Stratford City Council met in regular session on Monday, February 8, 2021, with Mayor Larry Runyan calling the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall and leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members answering roll call were: Heather Conklin, Chase Haman (via telephone), Mitch Peterson and Justin Richardson. Also present were Fredrick Killian, Jamie Nielsen (via telephone), Brian Bergman (via telephone), Maddy Daniels (via telephone), Dan Ostrem, and Kim Leeds.

Moved by Conklin, seconded by Peterson to approve the tentative agenda. Roll call vote: Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Richardson, seconded by Conklin to approve previous meeting minutes from January 11, 2021. Roll call vote: Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

During Public Comments and Presentations, City Manager Kim Leeds presented the council with a letter from Justin Richardson announcing his resignation from City Council effective February 9, 2021. Justin Richardson's City Council term expired on December 31, 2023.

Also, during Public Comments and Presentation City Manager Leeds presented the City with an insurance dividend check she received from Rick Woodard from EMC insurance for \$3,515.69.

Moved by Peterson, seconded by Richardson on to approve the consent agenda as follows: Financial Report for January 2021, Current Claims since Previous Council Approval for \$15,838.49, and Delinquent Utility Account Report. Roll call vote: Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Conklin, seconded by Peterson to open a public hearing for Fiscal Year 2022 Max Levy at 7:14 p.m. Roll call vote: Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

No written or oral comments were received.

Moved by Richardson, seconded by Haman to close a public hearing for Fiscal Year 2022 Max Levy at 7:15 p.m. Roll call vote: Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Richardson, seconded by Conklin to approve Resolution 2021-11 – A Resolution approving Fiscal Year 2022 Max Levy. Roll call vote: Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Conklin, seconded by Richardson to approve Fiscal Year 2022 Budget and set hearing date for next regular council meeting on March 8, 2021. Roll call vote: Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Richardson, seconded by Conklin to approve Fiscal Year 2022 Capital Improvements Plan and set public hearing date for next regular council meeting on March 8, 2021. Roll call vote: Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

Council reviewed the Letter of Interest received from Fredrick Killian and Rick Woodard for Curt Bergman's council seat that was vacated on January 8, 2021.

Moved by Conklin, seconded by Richardson to appoint Fredrick Killian for the vacated City Council seat with term commencing February 8, 2021 and expiring November, 2021. Roll call vote: Conklin – aye, Haman – nay, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Larry Runyan administered the Oath of Office to Fredrick Killian as City Council member of the City of Stratford, Iowa with his term to commence on February 8, 2021 and expiring on November 2021.

Moved by Peterson, seconded by Richardson to approve request from Jamie Nielsen to have a ten by sixteen-foot chicken coop on the property located at 1201 Teneyck Ave that houses thirty hens and two roosters. Roll call vote: Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Killian – aye, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Richardson, seconded by Conklin to accept award of \$11,467.70 from State of Iowa – Iowa Cares Act Relief Fund Project #00576 for the Fire and Rescue Department. Roll call vote: Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Killian – aye, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Richardson, seconded by Conklin to approve payables for \$5,955.87 CDBG Housing project. Roll call vote: Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Killian -aye, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

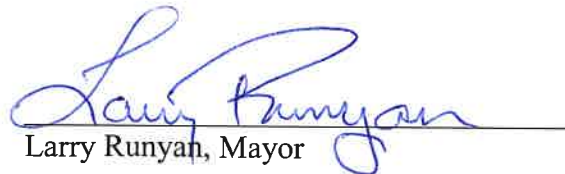
Moved by Conklin, seconded by Richardson to approve City Manager advertising for and hiring pool staff for the 2021 season. Roll call vote: Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Killian – aye, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Conklin, seconded by Richardson to approve Pool Policy Manual for 2021 pool season. Roll call vote: Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Killian – aye, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Peterson, seconded by Richardson to approve not having a 2021 Pet Clinic due to past poor attendance and to look into other options. Roll call vote: Conklin – aye, Haman – aye Killian – aye, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Peterson, seconded by Richardson to approve resolution 2021-12 – A Resolution proclaiming April 10-16 the week of the young child. Roll call vote: Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Killian – aye, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Richardson, seconded by Conklin to adjourn at 7:39 p.m. Roll call vote: Conklin –aye, Haman – aye, Killian – aye, Peterson – aye, Richardson – aye. Motion carried.


Larry Runyan, Mayor

Attest:


Kim Leeds, City Manager/Clerk