

**STRATFORD CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
April 13, 2020**

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The Stratford City Council met in regular session on Monday, April 13, 2020, 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: Curt Bergman, Heather Conklin, Chase Haman, Justin Richardson, and Mitch Peterson. Also present was Jim Leiding of Bolton & Menk Inc, and Kim Leeds.

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

Moved by Conklin, seconded by Richardson to approve previous meeting minutes from March 9, 2020. Roll call vote: Bergman – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Richardson – aye, Peterson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Richardson, seconded by Bergman to approve the consent agenda as follows: Financial Report for March 2020, Current Claims since Previous Council Approval for \$13,807.48, Payment to GoDaddy website for 5-year purchase of domain for \$297.55, Payment to Stony Creek Landscapes for \$1,755.00 for tribute plaques using Hamilton County Freedom Rock Park funds, and Delinquent Utility Account Report. Roll call vote: Bergman – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Richardson – aye, Peterson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Conklin, seconded by Peterson to approve request from Stratford Loins Club for permission to place bench in front of Jack's restaurant. Roll call vote: Bergman – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Richardson – aye, Peterson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Richardson, seconded by Haman to approve request from 301 Willow to install underground electric supply to the property. Roll call vote: Bergman – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Richardson – aye, Peterson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Haman, seconded by Bergman to reject request from Jessica Geerdes for couple horses at 1006 Adams Street. Roll call vote: Bergman – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Richardson – aye, Peterson – aye. Motion carried.

Council discussed COVID-19 issues as it relates to city business.

Moved by Bergman, seconded by Haman to waive sending out delinquent notices and waiving delinquent fee until the COVID-19 health crisis has ended. Roll call vote: Bergman – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Richardson – aye, Peterson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Haman, seconded by Conklin to approve the postponement of Spring Clean-Up day by Waste Management due to COVID-19 health crisis. Roll call vote: Bergman – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Richardson – aye, Peterson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Peterson, seconded by Richardson Contract Amendment #3 for garbage and recycling services from Waste Management; a pass-through increase of twenty-three cents for residential customers and forty-six cents per yard for commercial customers. Roll call vote: Bergman – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Richardson – aye, Peterson – aye. Motion carried

Moved by Haman, seconded by Bergman to approve Resolution 2020-23 – A Resolution amending solid waste and recycling collection fees per Stratford Code of Ordinances §106.04(7)(B). Roll call vote: Bergman – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Richardson – aye, Peterson – aye. Motion carried

Moved by Peterson, seconded by Bergman approve invoices from JB Concrete using Local Option Sales and Service Tax funds allocated for infrastructure for labor and installing concrete of five storm intakes for \$3187.75 and for installing concrete around storm drains and road patches for \$2916.50 totaling \$6104.25. Roll call vote: Bergman – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Richardson – aye, Peterson – aye. Motion carried

City Manager Leeds discussed budget amendment for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 with council.

Moved by Haman, seconded by Richardson to approve budget amendment #2 for Fiscal Year 201-2020. Roll call vote: Bergman – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Richardson – aye, Peterson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Bergman, seconded by Haman to set hearing for next regular council meeting on May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Roll call vote: Bergman – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Richardson – aye, Peterson – aye. Motion carried.

A short discussion with Jim Leiding from Bolton & Menk, Inc was held with council concerning the Avon & Dryden water main improvement.

Moved by Conklin, seconded by Haman to approve Deputy City Clerk job description. Roll call vote: Bergman – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Richardson – aye, Peterson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Haman, seconded by Bergman to approve advertising for Deputy City Clerk position. Roll call vote: Bergman – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Richardson – aye, Peterson – aye. Motion carried.

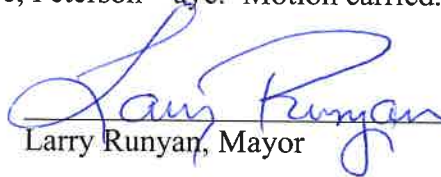
Moved by Richardson, seconded by Haman to approve Resolution 2020-24 – A Resolution appointing City Manager to serve for Fiscal Years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 as a non-exempt

employee. Roll call vote: Bergman – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Richardson – aye, Peterson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Haman, seconded by Conklin to approve Resolution 2020-25 – A Resolution appointing municipal infractions officers for the city of Stratford, Iowa. Roll call vote: Bergman – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Richardson – aye, Peterson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Bergman, seconded by Richardson to adjourn at 7:52 p.m. Roll call vote: Bergman – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Richardson – aye, Peterson – aye. Motion carried.

**Attest:**

  
Larry Runyan, Mayor

  
Kim Leeds, City Manager/Clerk