

**STRATFORD CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 9, 2019**

The Stratford City Council met in regular session on Monday, December 9, 2019, 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: Randy Baker, Chase Haman, Mitch Peterson and Justin Richardson. Council member Heather Conklin was absent. Also present was Curt Bergman, Patrick Rief, Kim Leeds, Dan Ostrem, and Amanda Westrum.

Council member Heather Conklin arrived at 7:02 P.M.

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

Moved by Peterson, seconded by Richardson to approve previous meeting minutes from November 11, 2019. Roll call vote: Baker – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, and Richardson - aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Baker, seconded by Haman to approve Financial Report for November 2019, Current Claims since Previous Council Approval for \$86,148.47, Consider Stratford Food Center for renewal of Class B Wine Permit / Class C Beer Permit / and Sunday Sales license # BC0029306, and Delinquent Utility Account Report. Roll call vote: Baker – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, and Richardson - aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Haman, seconded by Peterson to approve a variance on building permit from Dean Van Langen at property located at 632 Goldsmith. Roll call vote: Baker – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, and Richardson - aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Baker, seconded by Richardson to approve quote from Electric Pump for \$550 to upgrade/replace the current Airlogic (3G) alarm system at the lift station to the Telemetry unit (4G). Roll call vote: Baker – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, and Richardson - aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Peterson, seconded by Conklin to table renewing the City's website domain and upgrade the City webpage to a new server so City Manager can look for better options for the City's Website. Roll call vote: Baker – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, and Richardson - aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Peterson, seconded by Richardson to approve Library budget request for Fiscal Year 2021 with permissible levy request for \$2,575, special levy request for \$3,315, and general (8.10) levy request of \$26,648.00 with total City tax levy approved at \$32,538.00 Roll call vote: Baker – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, and Richardson – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Haman, seconded by Richardson to approve the Rescue Department budget request for Fiscal Year 2021 with permissible levy request for \$8,775, and special levy request for \$8,300 with total City tax levy approved at \$17,075. Roll call vote: Baker – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, and Richardson - aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Baker, seconded by Peterson to approve Arbor Committee budget request for Fiscal Year 2021 for \$700. Roll call vote: Baker – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, and Richardson - aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Conklin, seconded by Richardson to approve request to hold a work session at 6:30 p.m. before the January 13, 2020 regular council meeting. Roll call vote: Baker – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, and Richardson - aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Conklin, seconded by Haman to approve setting the public hearing date for a budget amendment for Fiscal Year 2020 for next regular council meeting on January 13, 2020. Roll call vote: Baker – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, and Richardson - aye. Motion carried.

City Manager and council discussed employee evaluations. The evaluations were handed out for council members to fill out on City Staff and City Manager and are to be completed by December 20, 2019.

Moved by Haman, seconded by Peterson to approve changing City Hall's hours back to 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Roll call vote: Baker – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, and Richardson - aye. Motion carried.

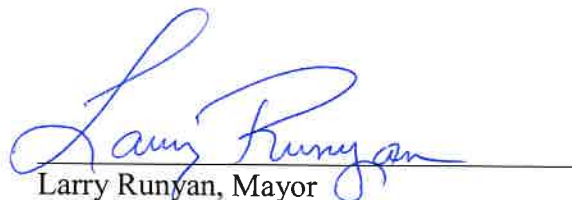
Moved by Conklin, seconded by Baker to approve Resolution 2019-37 – A Resolution approving the City of Stratford Identity Theft Prevention Program. Roll call vote: Baker – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, and Richardson - aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Baker, seconded by Haman to table Resolution 2019-38 – A Resolution appointing City Manager to serve for Fiscal Years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 as an exempt employee. Roll call vote: Baker – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, and Richardson - aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Conklin, seconded by Peterson to table Resolution 2019-39 – A Resolution appointing City Manager to serve for Fiscal Years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 as a non-exempt employee. Roll call vote: Baker – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, and Richardson - aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Richardson, seconded by Conklin to approve Resolution 2019-40 – A Resolution of Appreciation to Randy Baker for his dedicated service as Council Member for the citizens of Stratford, Iowa. Roll call vote: Baker – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, and Richardson - aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Haman, seconded by Conklin to adjourn at 8:29 p.m. Roll call vote: Baker – aye, Conklin – aye, Haman – aye, Peterson – aye, and Richardson - aye.


Larry Runyan, Mayor

Attest:


Kim Leeds, Deputy City Clerk