

COOPERSTOWN CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting November 1, 2021

The Cooperstown City Council met Monday, November 1, 2021, at 7:00 pm in the city council room. Present: Larry Olson, Deb Eslinger, Lee Watne, Steve Perry, Tim Erickson, and Allen Gruman. Others present: Public Works Blaine Larson and David Ludwig, Auditor Christine Olson, Deputy Auditor Naomi Trostad, Moore Engineer Brandon Smith, Mike Eslinger. Absent: Paul Paintner. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Eslinger, seconded by Olson to approve Oct. 4, 2021, and Oct. 21, 2021, meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brandon Smith with Moore Engineering provided a progress report on the Street Improvement project. Brandon asked if the council would be enforcing the liquidated damages in the amount of \$23,100 for delayed completion of Milestone 1. Motion by Erickson, seconded by Eslinger to enforce the liquidated damages in the amount of \$18,900. Motion carried unanimously. Brandon presented Contractors Application for Payment #5 in the amount of \$1,331,875.08. Motion by Olson, seconded by Eslinger to approve payment less the LDs, for a total of \$1,312,975.08. Motion passed unanimously. Brandon informed the council of a request by the contractor to reduce the retainage from 10% to 5%. Motion by Erickson, seconded by Olson to leave the retainage at 10%. Motion carried unanimously.

There was discussion regarding Russell Stokkeland nuisance. The council directed the public works crew to abate the remaining nuisances.

One bid for demolition of the old body shop building was received. A bid from Dirt Pro in the amount of \$27,000 was opened. Motion by Gruman, seconded by Erickson to approve the bid from Dirt Pro. Motion carried unanimously.

Blaine Larson reported on the activity of the street crew for the past month.

Christine Olson reported on the annual increase in BCBS health and vision insurance premiums. Motion by Gruman, seconded by Erickson to approve the new BCBS health and vision insurance premiums, with the city's portion of the health insurance premium at 93% for a single plan and 81% for a family plan, and 75% of a single dental policy for all employees. Motion carried unanimously.

The financial report was presented. Christine has not met with Harold to adjust balances that are in the red. Christine informed the council that fund 603 is being charged for a portion of postage fees on utility bills as well as wages and benefits. Motion by Erickson, seconded by Olson to investigate eliminating items being charged against fund 603. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Erickson, seconded by Eslinger to approve payment of the bills presented. Roll call vote with all voting aye, motion passed unanimously.

Christine provided information on property Becky Kuss would like to purchase from the city. The council is open to selling the property if a monetary offer made.

Christine presented the Antenna and/or Equipment Location Lease between the city and Midcontinent Communications for renewal. Motion by Eslinger, seconded by Gruman to sign the lease presented. After discussion, motion by Erickson, seconded by Olson to hold off on signing and get information on what other cities are receiving for payment of similar agreements. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Erickson, seconded by Olson to approve a building permit submitted by Jerry Hohertz for an addition to his house at 205 11th St SE. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Gruman, seconded by Olson to approve a Local Permit submitted by Atchison Rifle Club for a raffle. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 2021-1 Alcoholic Beverages was presented for the 1st reading. Motion by Olson, seconded by Eslinger to approve the ordinance as presented. Roll call vote with all voting aye, motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 2021-2 Shipping Containers was presented for the 1st reading. Motion by Eslinger, seconded by Erickson to approve the ordinance as presented. Roll call vote with all voting aye, motion passed unanimously.

Erickson presented a quote from Naastad Brothers for work to be done on the Cooper Drain from 16th Street to the north side of the lagoon. No action taken.

Tim Erickson submitted a letter of resignation effective immediately.

Gruman expressed concern about the automobiles that Christian CDJR has parked on city right of way along Sunflower Ave.

The next regular meeting will be December 6, 2021, at 7:00 pm.

Motion to adjourn by Olson, seconded by Eslinger. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Christine Olson, Auditor

Steve Perry, President

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1130 Citizens State			
110580e	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	10/19/2021	\$7,767.75 BLUE CROSS
110582e	CITIZENS STATE BANK	10/27/2021	\$55.00 Check stop payment fee
110585e	VERIZON WIRELESS	11/10/2021	\$120.03 MIFI INTERNET
110586e	VISA	11/12/2021	\$98.76 Shop printer ink
110587e	EFTPS	12/2/2021	\$5,326.54 PAYROLL TAXES
110588e	NDPERS	12/2/2021	\$2,384.61 RETIREMENT
110589e	EFTPS	12/6/2021	\$93.50 PAYROLL TAXES
112426	COOPERSTOWN MUN AIRPORT	11/1/2021	\$257.75 AIRPORT PROPERTY TAX
112427	ARAMARK	11/1/2021	\$207.04 Towels, mops, mats
112428	ARTO FARMS	11/1/2021	\$13,375.00 Cooper Drain clean up
112429	BITUMINOUS PAVING INC	11/1/2021	\$142,492.74 Paving 16th Street
112430	BLAINE LARSON	11/1/2021	\$35.00 CELLPHONE-LANDFILL
112431	BRITE WAY WINDOW CLEANING	11/1/2021	\$125.00 City hall window cleaning
112432	CHAD JOHNSON	11/1/2021	\$35.00 CELLPHONE
112433	CHRISTINE OLSON	11/1/2021	\$41.92 CELLPHONE
112434	CITY OF FARGO, NORTH DAKOT	11/1/2021	\$14.00 Water samples
112435	COACHMAN INN	11/1/2021	\$192.00 Amb-Holly lodging-4 nights
112436	COOPERSTOWN HARDWARE	11/1/2021	\$174.23 Lift station supplies
112437	CORE & MAIN	11/1/2021	\$48.54 Blue & green marking flags
112438	DAVID LUDWIG	11/1/2021	\$358.21 CELLPHONE
112439	ELLEFSON SALES EXCAVATING	11/1/2021	\$2,780.00 Excavator & cat work-landfill
112440	EMERGENCY MEDICAL PRODUC	11/1/2021	\$339.04 Oxygen masks/pelvic slings
112441	FINLEY MOTORS INC	11/1/2021	\$372.05 Amb-lube, oil, filter-2016 and 2021
112442	FORKS FREIGHTLINER	11/1/2021	\$55.20 Fire Dept-winterfront/cabin filter
112443	GILBERTSONS	11/1/2021	\$864.00 4 loads gravel and hauling
112444	HOLIDAY INN OF FARGO	11/1/2021	\$280.00 David ND Water & Pollution Control Conf
112445	HOLLY NEUBERGER	11/1/2021	\$10.00 Ambulance-wash rigs
112446	INNOVATIVE OFFICE SOLUTION	11/1/2021	\$82.99 Shop towels
112447	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	11/1/2021	\$113.10 Front deck mower repair
112448	GRIGGS COUNTY LIBRARY	11/1/2021	\$282.37 LIBRARY PROPERTY TAX
112449	LUMICO LIFE	11/1/2021	\$213.01 Refund of overpayment on amb claim
112450	MILLERS FRESH FOODS	11/1/2021	\$52.77 Ambulance food
112451	MOORE ENGINEERING INC	11/1/2021	\$53,093.32 2021-1 Water main replacement
112452	NAOMI TROSTAD	11/1/2021	\$117.25 Cell phone
112453	ND LEAGUE OF CITIES	11/1/2021	\$30.00 Webinar - Chris
112454	ND ONE CALL, INC	11/1/2021	\$30.00 LOCATES-12
112455	NDDEQ	11/1/2021	\$137.70 Water samples
112456	NEW CENTURY PRESS	11/1/2021	\$301.46 MINUTES x 2
112457	ON POINT EXCAVATING LLC	11/1/2021	\$42,768.00 Paving 16th Street
112458	OTTER TAIL POWER CO	11/1/2021	\$2,832.83 CITY HALL
112459	COOPERSTOWN PARK BOARD	11/1/2021	\$2,703.10 PARK BOARD PROPERTY TX
112460	Zoll Medical Corporation GPO	11/1/2021	\$393.60 Ambulance adult cuff/pediatric sensors
112461	GRIGGS COUNTY TELEPHONE	11/3/2021	\$614.77 AUDITOR
112462	HAWKINS INC	11/3/2021	\$857.07 Azone
112463	SANFORD HEALTH - OCCUPATI	11/3/2021	\$70.00 Ambulance drug tests
112464	Zoll Medical Corporation GPO	11/3/2021	\$98.40 Ambulance-electrodes
112466	ARROWWOOD PRAIRIE CO-OP	11/4/2021	\$1,124.91 CITY FUEL
112467	H E EVERSON	11/4/2021	\$157.48 Fire extinguishers-payloader & sweeper
112468	TEAM LABORATORY CHEMICAL	11/4/2021	\$2,469.50 Lagoon-Super bugs
112469	REITEN, INC	11/4/2021	\$113.21 Aluminum pipe for WTP
112470	Dept of Veterans Affairs	11/5/2021	\$2,595.99 Refund of overpayment on ambulance claim
112471	TOWN & COUNTRY CO-OP	11/8/2021	\$1,282.62 FIRE-FUEL
112472	RAMKOTA HOTEL & CONF. CEN	11/8/2021	\$86.40 David conference

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112473	COOPERSTOWN MEDICAL CEN	11/12/2021	\$36.00	DRUG SCREEN
112474	NODAK ELECTRIC COOPERATIV	11/12/2021	\$203.09	MAIN LIFT
112475	MARCO TECHNOLOGIES	11/12/2021	\$229.47	COPIER LEASE
112476	US POSTAL SERVICE	11/23/2021	\$195.69	Mailing utility bills
112477	METRO-BILLING SERVICES	11/15/2021	\$575.00	Ambulance claims x 25
112478	Briss, Craig	11/30/2021	\$184.70	
112479	Eli, Daren	11/30/2021	\$46.17	
112480	Eli, Valerie Ann	11/30/2021	\$253.96	
112481	Erickson, Timothy	11/30/2021	\$362.32	
112482	Johnson, Chad A.	11/30/2021	\$2,511.17	
112483	Keller, Julie M	11/30/2021	\$947.93	
112484	Ludwig, David O	11/30/2021	\$2,806.37	
112485	Martin, Amanda R	11/30/2021	\$199.48	
112486	Michaelis, Bennett W	11/30/2021	\$374.94	
112487	Moser, Christopher I	11/30/2021	\$204.10	
112488	Olson, Christine L	11/30/2021	\$2,634.86	
112489	Paintner, Nancy	11/30/2021	\$407.99	
112490	Paintner, Paul	11/30/2021	\$175.88	
502641e	Monthly ACH	11/30/2021	\$9,945.92	
502643e	Monthly ACH	11/30/2021	\$458.75	
	Total Checks		\$313,278.55	