

The Laurens City Council met in regular session at the Municipal Building at 5:00 pm, April 7, 2014. Mayor Pro-Tem Gary Heuton called the meeting to order. Present were Council members Rich Newgard, Jean Swanson, Sid Enockson, and Julie Potter; Police Chief, Chris Toner; City Manager, Barbara Smith; and Public Works Director, Julian Johnsen. Mayor, Rod Johnson and City Attorney, Ann Beneke were absent.

Newgard motioned to remove item #8, discussion and approval of the recycling trailer, seconded by Enockson. The item was removed from the agenda because Smith had recently talked with Paul Beneke, Vice Chair of the Pocahontas County Solid Waste Commission, and he indicated that the Laurens residents will be allowed to use the recycling trailer at the County Shed. Newgard then motioned to approve the consent agenda, consisting of the amended agenda, minutes from the March 17, 2014 meeting, and the list of claims; seconded by Enockson. Ayes all; motion carried.

Lois Jirgins and the Laurens Women's Club presented Public Works Director Johnsen with a check for \$900 for headstone restoration at the cemetery. The group also informed the Council that the Cemetery Tour will be held on June 22 this year. Newgard motioned to allow the City to sponsor the event, seconded by Swanson. This will allow the City's insurance to cover the event. Ayes all; motion carried.

Joe Martin of Martin Pest Control spoke to the Council about the mosquito control contract. Martin indicated that nothing had changed in the contract from last year. Swanson motioned to approve the mosquito control contract with Martin Pest Control; seconded by Heuton. Ayes all; motion carried.

Enockson motioned to approve Ordinance 02-14, Load and Weight Restrictions, and to waive the third reading; seconded by Newgard. Roll call vote: ayes all, motion carried.

Enockson motioned to approve Resolution 12-14, a Resolution appointing Glenda Mulder, Becky Braesch, and Brian Runneburg to three year terms on the Historic Preservation Commission; seconded by Potter. Roll call vote: ayes all, motion carried.

Mayor Pro-Tem Heuton read the Keep Laurens Beautiful Proclamation. Potter motioned to approve the proclamation, seconded by Swanson. Ayes all; motion carried.

The truck parking program was discussed. It was mentioned that the program should allow individuals that purchase weekly or annual permits to leave a car at the police station to use as transportation when in town. An official document will be presented to the Council prior to the program being implemented.

The Laurens Pride Award Program was discussed. The program was amended to include the best looking property OR the most improved property. Property owners are to be asked for permission for their property to be placed on the ballot each month prior to the voting period. Enockson motioned to approve the Laurens Pride Award Program with the changes indicated, seconded by Heuton. Ayes all; motion carried.

CLAIMS 4/7/14

ACCO	CHEMICALS	6,258.85
ALEX MOLINA	TRAINING	240.63
ALLIANT ENERGY	UTILITIES	696.29
BARB SMITH	MILEAGE	294.00
BOLTON & MENK	ENGINEERING	3,405.00
BUENA VISTA	OFFICE SUPPLIES	33.25
STATIONERY		
CLARENCE SIEPKER	MILEAGE	140.00
CONNECTIONS	INSURANCE	32.30
DEE JACKSON	SNOW REMOVAL	35.00
EMERGENCY MED	SUPPLIES	114.53
PRODUCTS		
GARTHLENE BELL	TRAINING	702.88
GFOA	DUES	160.00
IRS	TAXES	9,405.90
IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES	SIGNS	87.90
IPERS	IPERS	5,607.03
IPERS/PD	IPERS	2,116.61
JCL SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	97.79
JOE AHLERS	TRAINING	213.17
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	REPAIRS	238.28
JOHN RUNNEBURG	TRAINING	894.91
KEVIN DUBBERT	TRAINING	214.00
KRUDICO	CHEMICALS	500.50

LMPC	UTILITIES	315.60
LMU	UTILITIES	7,668.00
LAURENS PLUMBING	SUPPLIES	8.98
LAURENS STATE BANK	TRUCK PAYMENT	1,525.42
LAURENS SUN	PUBLICATION	180.76
MET	TESTING	39.00
MURPHY TRACTOR	PARTS	66.91
NEWGARD AUTO PARTS	PARTS	251.41
PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	205.69
PRIME BENEFITS	INSURANCE	87.50
PRINCIPAL	INSURANCE	729.72
PRO COOP	FUEL	2,988.01
RICHARDSON SERVICE	REPAIRS	187.13
ROLING SIGNS	BALL PARK SIGNS	945.00
SAFE HAVEN SHELTER	ANIMAL CONTROL	200.00
SHAMROCK RECYCLE	RECYCLING	1,574.71
STAPLES	OFFICE SUPPLIES	257.84
TREASURER, STATE OF IA	TAXES	4,847.00
VECTOR GROUP	DUES	<u>192.94</u>
TOTAL		<u><u>53,760.44</u></u>
PAYROLL	3/17/2014	
001	GENERAL	3,308.74
110	RUT	1,226.31
600	WATER	2,116.14
610	SEWER	1,953.10
670	GARBAGE	<u>1,842.66</u>
		<u><u>10,446.95</u></u>
PAYROLL	3/31/2014	
001	GENERAL	3,304.82
110	RUT	996.50
600	WATER	2,014.93
610	SEWER	1,796.60
670	GARBAGE	<u>1,744.16</u>
		<u><u>9,857.01</u></u>
PAYROLL	4/1/2014	
001	GENERAL	4,195.89

PAYROLL	4/2/2014	
001	GENERAL	<u>2,294.80</u>
	TOTAL PAYROLL	<u>26,794.65</u>
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	TOTAL CLAIMS	<u>80,555.09</u>
BY FUND		
001	GENERAL	30,771.90
110	ROAD USE TAX	5,717.04
112	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	340.90
176	HOMETOWN PRIDE	6.79
313	EAST VETERAN - WATER	1,159.74
314	EAST VETERAN - SEWER	535.52
315	EAST VETERAN - STREET	1,278.64
600	WATER	20,223.84
610	SEWER	9,062.91
670	GARBAGE	11,025.31
745	STORM WATER	<u>432.50</u>
		<u>80,555.09</u>

Potter motioned to adjourn at 5:39 pm; seconded by Newgard. Ayes all; motion carried.

Gary Heuton, Mayor Pro-Tem

Barbara Smith, City Clerk