

January 15, 2018  
Wellman, Iowa

The Wellman City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers of the Wellman Municipal Building at 5:30 pm. Mayor Ryan Miller presided with City Administrator, City Clerk and the following Council Members: Robert Goodrich, Mark Philpot, Robert Freeman, & Tracy Owens; Shannon McCain absent. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Consent Agenda was approved upon motion by Freeman, Seconded by Owens and all aye votes. The consent agenda includes the agenda, minutes from previous meeting, appointment of Bryan Overy to Library Board, and the following claims:

**1/15 Payroll**

Megan E Harris		\$282.80
Ashten E VanWinkle		\$65.55
Carol A Wilkins		\$915.87
Troy M Wilkins		\$241.14
Teresa K Lampe		\$825.81
Ryan J Miller		\$276.80
Beth A VanWinkle		\$1,077.00
Betty J Johnston		\$137.05
Timothy J Garrett		\$1,469.38
Travis D Hartley		\$1,228.61
Jesse J Meade		\$1,111.31
Josh S VanWinkle		\$1,103.86
Christine D Huston		\$699.79
Kelly L Litwiller		\$1,601.08
Cynthia S Thrapp		\$784.04
Fed Taxes		\$4,177.85
Baker & Taylor Books	Library Books	\$412.39
Blake Hershberger Enterprises	8th Ave Concrete Cutting	\$250.00
Brown Supply Co.	WTP Supplies	\$402.10
Carol A Wilkins	Library Reimbursements	\$209.85
City of Wellman	Broughton Account	\$305.37
Clayton Energy	December Gas Purchase	\$41,894.64
Community Country Store Annex	Garrett Work Boots	\$120.47
Cox Sanitation & Recycling	WTP/WWTP/ALC Dumpster	\$293.50
Demco	Library Supplies	\$286.50
Doug Broughton	Utility Assessment Refund	\$709.76
FIS Merchant Fees	December Merchant Fees	\$547.42
Freeman Foods	Skate Merch for Resale/X-mas Lights	\$56.99
Hawkins Inc.	WTP Chemicals	\$359.25
Home Gas Inc.	Gas Supplies	\$29.25
Iowa Bridge & Culvert	WWTP Disinfection Project	\$140,850.38
Iowa Library Association	2018 Memberships	\$250.00
J&B Repair	Tonner/Skid/Back Hoe/Sand Spreader	\$1,544.63
Johnson Controls Inc.	J&S Access/Questions	\$673.00

Kalona News	Library Christmas Greetings Ad.	\$75.00
Keystone Laboratories	December WTP/WWTP Labs	\$747.60
Kuenster Heating & Air	Sr. Center Furnace Filters	\$193.68
Mahaska Bottling Co.	Skate Pop for Resale	\$299.10
Matt Parrott/Storey Kenworthy	W2/1099 Forms	\$102.07
Municipal Gas System	Furnace Rebate	\$400.00
Myron L Company	WTP Lab Service/Shipping	\$803.50
Quality Window Cleaning	City Hall Window Cleaning	\$30.00
Reggie Tire	City Equipment Fuel	\$277.60
Sam's Club	Skate Rink Merchandise for Resale	\$387.46
SimplexGrinnell	Parkside Fire Alarm Annual Testing/Inspection Contract	\$2,240.69
Tech Steward	Nov-Dec Web Design	\$280.00
Technology Services of Iowa	Monthly Maintenance	\$155.00
Titan Machinery	Loader Replacement Bulbs	\$111.54
USDA	January Parkside Payment	\$2,532.00
Washington Community YMCA	December Fees	\$150.00
Washington County Auditor	Jan-Mar Law/Communications	\$21,231.25
Wellman Auto Parts	City Equipment Winterizing Supplies	\$641.93
Wigen Water Technologies	WTP Equipment	\$847.05
Yotty's	WTP/Streets Supplies	\$251.65
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$236,950.56</b>

No one spoke in public forum.

Randy Tinnes indicated that we had 19 calls with nothing out of the ordinary.

Resolution No. 18-01 A Resolution to establish The News as an official publication newspaper for the City of Wellman was introduced and caused to be read. Philpot moved to approve Resolution No. 18-01, Goodrich Seconded and upon roll call the vote was 4 ayes, McCain absent.

Resolution No. 18-02 A Resolution to set mileage reimbursement to employees using their personal vehicles for city business was introduced and caused to be read. Litwiller explained that the IRS 2018 Standard Mileage Rate is 54.5 cents. Freeman moved to approve Resolution No. 18-02 being 54.5 cents, Owens Seconded and upon roll call the vote was 4 ayes, McCain absent.

Resolution No. 18-03 A Resolution obligating funds for appropriation to the payment of principal and interest on certain debt obligations which shall come due in the next succeeding fiscal year was introduced and caused to be read. Owens moved to approve Resolution No. 18-03, Freeman Seconded and upon roll call the vote was 4 ayes, McCain absent.

Resolution 18-04 A Resolution obligating funds for appropriation to the payment of principal and interest on certain debt obligations which shall come due in the next succeeding fiscal year was introduced and caused to be read. Owens moved to approve Resolution No. 18-04, Freeman Seconded and upon roll call the vote was 4 ayes, McCain absent.

Resolution 18-05 A Resolution to approve city employees and/or elected officials access to Federation Bank public funds accounts was introduced and caused to be read. Owens moved to approve Resolution No. 18-05, Freeman Seconded and upon roll call the vote was 4 ayes, McCain absent.

Resolution 18-06 A Resolution to approve city employees and/or elected officials access to Hills Bank public funds accounts was introduced and caused to be read. Philpot moved to approve Resolution No. 18-06, Goodrich Seconded and upon roll call the vote was 4 ayes, McCain absent.

Discussion and action on current utility vehicle with Yotty's was had. Litwiller explained that she's contacted Yotty's and we have two options: we can either purchase the Buggy for \$5,000 or we can pay \$800 for a lease for the remainder of FY18. If we choose to continue the lease after FY18 it would be \$1000.00 per Fiscal year. Owens made a motion to do the yearly lease with Yotty's, Philpot seconded and all present voted aye.

Council had a discussion on the Starbeck/Miller Building. Miller explained that after looking at the engineers Structural Evaluation report they feel that this building is salvageable and he would like to see the building used for something. Council then discussed different options for the building moving forward.

Council discussed the speed study report. Litwiller explained that the DOT had recently done a speed study on Hwy 22 going all the way through town and after looking at the report the only place they recommended changing would be the speed limit starting at the Elementary entrance to 35 mph instead of the current 25 mph. Council expressed concerns on raising this speed limit due to traffic in and out of this intersection during school hours. Council also discussed the option of having new flashing speed limit signs put up when entering town to help slow traffic down.

Discussion and action on raise for Cindy Thrapp was had. Owens made a motion to raise Cindy Thrapp's hourly wage to \$14.00, Philpot seconded and all present voted aye.

Discussion and action on phone insurance and damage was had. Litwiller explained that this past weekend we had an incident where one employee busted his cell phone during a water main break and had to have it replaced. She questioned how council would like to handle this situation now and in the future. Council could consider raising the cell phone reimbursement by \$10/month to help cover the phone insurance cost. We could have the employees sign a document stating that if they choose to not have insurance on their phones and phones are broken it would be their responsibility to replace. Owens made a motion to raise reimbursement by \$10/month and have employees sign the document, Freeman seconded and all present voted aye.

With no further business to be discussed Freeman moved for adjournment at 6:22pm, Philpot seconded and all voted aye. The next regular City Council Meeting will be Monday, February 5, 2018 at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers of the Wellman Municipal Building.

Minutes transcribed by the City Clerk subject to Council Approval.