

CITY OF LUZERNE
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS – TUESDAY, JULY 2, 2019
7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Luzerne City Council was called order by Mayor John Brandt, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members Kelly Kendall, Patrick McLeod, Lorin Potter and Barbara Shields were present, as were interested citizens Fran Potter, Tara Ness and Jay McKinney. Council member Dwight Glinsmann was absent.

Potter moved to allow the minutes as read, seconded by Shields. Roll call vote- all ayes, motion carried.

Kendall moved to approve the bills, seconded by Shields:

J & R -June pick-up	325.00
Poweshiek Water	37.00
Alliant Energy – meter \$52.43, streetlights \$286.63	339.06
Jan Kendall -46 copies at \$.10	4.06
John Brandt-reimbursement for blackjack, screws & labor @ \$20.00 per hr.	90.00
IMWCA – worker’s compensation premium	1,486.00
Iowa League of Cities – annual dues	337.00
Schulze Mowing – 4X park mowing	280.00
Schulze Mowing- 1X 209 E. IA St. mowing	40.00
Roll call vote-all ayes, motion carried.	

The mayor gave an update on the welcome signs. He reported Mr. Mantz was able to make the bridge picture bigger, and the signs’ background will be blue. They should be ready in about two weeks. The poles can be used from the old ones, but new screws will need to be purchased.

The mayor opened discussion on properties which need to be mowed. Council discussion followed. It was determined there were three that will need to be mowed soon or a notice will be sent.

The mayor opened discussion on the USA Communications hook-up progress. The mayor reported he had talked to the Benton County Engineer who has determined that the railroad still has partial ownership of the bridge, along with the county. The clerk reported that USA Communications will make their construction personnel aware of the news and determine what their approach will be to get across the railroad tracks with their cable. The item will be put on a future agenda.

The mayor opened discussion on a stagnant pool full of water. The mayor reported he had fielded a complaint concerning the pool. The mayor plans to contact the Benton County Sanitarian to discuss the situation. The item will be put on a future agenda.

The mayor opened discussion on two residents’ request to place a pop machine outside of the fire station/city hall building. Interested citizens Tara Ness and Jay McKinney were present to report they had talked to the Pepsi company, who said the company is willing to have a pop

machine in Luzerne if it is attached to a business. The mayor and council discussed the history of vandalism to a previous machine several years ago. The mayor suggested the couple to ask Pepsi whether they had any idea of a way to secure the machine and report back to the council. The item will be put on a future agenda.

The mayor opened discussion on damage to a wall in the community center. The clerk reported someone accidentally fell into the east wall of the community center during a recent rental and put an indentation in it. The situation was called in to the clerk the same day and the person has offered to fix it. Council discussion followed. The mayor will contact the renter to determine how it will be fixed. The item will be put on a future agenda.

Under further business, the mayor reported Mr. Hatch of Hatch Grading donated the culvert piece that the mayor used to patch the existing damaged one in the east end of the park.

With no further business on the agenda, Kendall moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 PM, seconded by Shields. Roll call vote – all ayes, motion carried.

Mayor

Clerk