

**CITY OF JANESVILLE**  
**City Council Proceedings**  
**October 12, 2020**

The Janesville City Council met in regular session on Monday, October 12, 2020 in the Council Chambers of City Hall at approximately 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Beenblossom in the Chair and Council Members Stapleton, McAllister, Worrell, Miller and Robinson present. Also present was City Clerk, Christa Kurtz, Deputy Sherriff Glenn Beenblossom and Officer Mo of the Bremer County Sherriff's Office, Paul and Donna Britt, and Deb and Todd Thompson.

Motion by Council Member Miller and seconded by Council Member McAllister approving to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Citizen Comments/Concerns: None

The following bills were presented:

41930	Randy Samec	Payroll	1448.61
41931	Christa Kurtz	Payroll	1173.08
41932	Dennis Miller	Payroll	144.48
41933	Rebecca Wrage	Payroll	1380.76
41934	Sue Stapleton	Payroll	133.43
41935	Jason Hildebrand	Payroll	155.63
41936	Eric Ver Steegt	Payroll	733.37
41937	Benjamin McAllister	Payroll	133.43
41938	Christian Robinson	Payroll	135.39
41939	Lisa Gansen	Payroll	824.24
41940	Al Worrell	Payroll	133.43
41941	Taylor Cross	Payroll	1096.26
41942	David Flood	Payroll	1279.76
41943	David Beenblossom	Payroll	415.57
41944	Void		0.00
41945	IPERS	IPERS	3606.21
41946	Treasurer-State of Iowa	State Tax	832.00
41947	Janesville Post Office	Utility Billing Postage	147.80
41948	Chris Renner	Helmet Numbers	246.28
41949	ED M. Field Equip Co, Inc	Boots	3093.00
41950	Equipment Management Co.	301/304 Jaws Testing	1227.00
41951	Janesville Lumber	Fuse Holder/Screws	3.47
41952	Municipal Emergency Services	Helmets	8625.00
41953	Sandry Fire Supply	Coats/Pants	5231.12
41954	Timber Ridge MHC	Deposit Refund	100.00
41955	Baker & Taylor	Books	364.81
41956	City Laundering	Rugs	50.38
41957	Country Living	Subscription	32.07
41958	State Library of Iowa	Database Subscription	80.80
41959	Wal-Mart	DVDs/Supplies	198.46
41960	Sun Life Financial	Employee Life & Disability	626.58
41961	Sun Life Financial	Employee Life & Disability	390.22
41962	Verizon Wireless	PD Wireless/FD iPad	148.58
41963	Visa	Battery/Ink Cartidges	60.73

41964	Wellmark	Employee Health & Dental Insurance	4523.07
41965	Windstream/Iowa Telecom	Telephone	159.94
41966	Randy Samec	Payroll	1487.81
41967	Christa Kurtz	Payroll	1173.08
41968	Rebecca Wrage	Payroll	1357.28
41969	Eric Ver Steegt	Payroll	721.37
41970	Lisa Gansen	Payroll	880.72
41971	Taylor Cross	Payroll	1096.26
41972	David Flood	Payroll	1247.41
41973	Visa	Garage Sale Advertisement	20.00
41974	Treasurer-State of Iowa	Sales Tax	404.00
41975	Treasurer-State of Iowa	Water Excise Tax	3223.00
41976	Visa	Cert Mail/Gortex Boots	230.19
41977	US Cellular	PW Cell & GPS Tracking	153.10
41978	Access Systems	Copier Lease Agreement	200.27
41979	Aflac Insurance	Employee Optional Insurance	80.16
41980	Benton's Ready Mixed Concrete	Concrete	327.60
41981	Basic Materials Corporation	Roadstone	151.75
41982	Bremer County Treasurer	Quarterly Contract Fee	150.00
41983	Butler-Bremer Communications	Telephone	199.12
41984	Elsamiller	New Service Shop/Diamond	5150.00
41985	Iowa DNR	Annual Water Use Fee	95.00
41986	Iowa Regional Utility Association	Bulk Water Usage	6301.90
41987	Iowa Tree Services, LLC	Tree Removal	7150.00
41988	Janesville Lumber		0.00
41989	Janesville Lumber	Misc Supplies	1118.43
41990	Janesville Post Office	Forwarding Service	2.48
41991	Janesville Postmaster	Bulk Water	126.90
41992	Keystone Lab	Samples	5150.00
41993	Kiesler Police Supply	Ammunition	729.29
41994	Kwik Trip		0.00
41995	Kwik Trip		0.00
41996	Kwik Trip		0.00
41997	Kwik Trip	Fuel	1167.71
41998	Menards	Trash Can/Reflector/DW Marker	20.35
41999	MidAmerican Energy	Gas & Electric	2906.76
42000	MSA Professional Services	Engineering Fees	15616.88
42001	Rite Environmental	Refuse & Recycling	7269.31
42002	Scheels	Hoop/Umpire Counter	1307.97
42003	Sensus Metering Systems	Sensus Support	1949.94
42004	Special Janesville Library	City Contribution	4338.58
42005	Stokes Welding	Misc Supplies	26.25
42006	Storey Kenworthy	Disinfectant/Pocket Folders	26.16
42007	Tim & Mike's	05 F-350 Ball Joints/Labor/LOF	1050.66
42008	Wal-Mart	USB Drives/Coffee	81.00
42009	Waverly Newspapers	Publication Fees	314.32
42010	Windstream/Iowa Telecom	Telephone	23.74
42011	Boomerang Corporation	Payment Application #3	33962.50
42012	Iowa Tree Services, LLC	Tree Removal	2500.00
3196461	EFTPS	Fed/SS/Med Payroll Taxes	2737.81
3196462	EFTPS	Fed/SS/Med Payroll Taxes	2588.98

(Disbursements: General-\$33,106.24, Road Use-\$10,312.38, Summer Rec Program-\$7.98, Volunteer Fire Dept.-\$18,425.87-, Special Library-\$3,886.08, Parks Expansion & Improvements-\$7,445.85. Water & Sewer Improvements-\$9,750.00, 7<sup>th</sup> St Lift Station Project-\$39,829.38, Water-\$13,555.11 Sewer-\$5,001.56, Refuse-\$9,173.55, Utility Deposits-\$100.00, Stormwater Utility-\$53.00=\$150,647.00)

RESOLUTION #1707-20 A RESOLUTION ALLOWING CLAIMS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JANESVILLE, IOWA that the foregoing claims be allowed as presented and warrants for the same be issued to the City Treasurer. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to draw and issue warrants on the respective funds and accounts. Resolved by Council Member Miller and seconded by Council Member Robinson to approve the bills as presented. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Miller, McAllister, Stapleton, Robinson and Worrell. Nays – None. Resolution approved and adopted this 12th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ MAYOR: \_\_\_\_\_

Motion by Stapleton and seconded by McAllister to approve the following Consent Agenda items: September 14, 2020 Regular City Council Proceedings, September 22, 2020 Special City Council Proceedings, and September 30, 2020, Budget and Treasurer Reports. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-McAllister, Miller, Robinson, Worrell and Stapleton. Nays-None. Motion carried.

Deputy Sherriff Glenn Beenblossom brought his partner, K9 Officer Mo, into the city council meeting in order to introduce him and show the council what the City's donation helped make possible. The pair began working in the field on May 4, 2020. Deputy Beenblossom stated that Mo is a dual-purpose dog that can be used on regular patrol for things such as tracking and article searches, but also specializes as a narcotics K9 for the Sherriff's department. He also stated that it takes 16 hours a month to maintain certification and that all the previous and future donations are much appreciated, as training expenses accrue quickly. The Council let Officer Beenblossom and Mo know their visit is appreciated and they look forward to seeing a demonstration sometime in the future.

Deputy Beenblossom and Mo exited the meeting at 6:12 p.m.

In an effort to accommodate the council's guests, Mayor Beenblossom asked that #2 from the Mayor's Report be moved ahead of the General Business portion of the meeting.

Resolved by Miller and seconded by Stapleton to approve RESOLUTION #1709-20 – A RESOLUTION NAMING THE RECREATION AREA, LOCATED ON THE SOUTHWEST SIDE OF THE EKCO PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE, DORT'S LANDING. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Miller, McAllister, Robinson, Worrell and Stapleton. Nays- None. Resolution approved and adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October 2020

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ MAYOR \_\_\_\_\_

Dorothy "Dort" Cameron was a long-time resident of Janesville and was employed as the secretary of the Riviera Ballroom for 35 years. Her family was instrumental in the city obtaining the land for the landing now known as Dort's Landing.

Motion by Miller and seconded by McAllister to purchase the appropriate signage for Dort's Landing, estimated to cost \$100-\$150 per sign. One sign will be placed at the entrance to the landing and two will be placed near the intersections of Maple and Barrick facing opposite directions

Deb and Todd Thompson and Paul and Donna Britt exited the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

General Commissioner Stapleton and City Clerk Kurtz gave their monthly reports to the Council. Commissioner Stapleton stated the library is considering a project called "Little Free Libraries." It would be a contest amongst people of all ages to create a waterproof bookcase, where people can take or leave books. A possible location would be at the city park. Parks and Rec Commissioner Miller will review the project with Library Director Gansen and discuss the details further before anything is decided. Commissioner Stapleton also informed the council of a virtual budget workshop Clerk Kurtz will be attending in November. Clerk Kurtz gave an update on the good progress Ms. Gansen, the new Clerk's assistant, is making in her new position.

Resolved by McAllister and seconded by Miller to approve RESOLUTION #1708-20 – A RESOLUTION APPROVING SALE OF THAT PORTION OF NORTH MAIN STREET, FROM BARRICK ROAD NORTH TO THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF PRIMARY ROAD NO.218, HIGHWAY 57, ALL IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 91 NORTH, RANGE 14 WEST OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> P.M., JANESVILLE, IOWA, AND LOCATED IN BREMER COUNTY, IOWA.. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Miller, McAllister, Worrell, Robinson and Stapleton. Nays – None. Resolution approved and adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October 2020.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ MAYOR \_\_\_\_\_

Motion by Stapleton and seconded by Robinson to change city hall hours to Monday through Thursdays 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Fridays to 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., along with a reopening of city hall to the public Monday through Thursdays 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. beginning November 2, 2020. Motion Carried.

**Streets/Stormwater:** Commissioner Worrell did not have an update for the council. Mayor Beenblossom stated the public works department is going to prepare the snowplows for the season.

**Safety:** Commissioner McAllister gave a brief update to the council. The tracs software has been updated and is up and running in the police vehicles. Also, both officers will be attending the playoff football games being held at Janesville CSD.

Motion by McAllister and seconded by Stapleton to have drafted the following amendments to Chapter 75 of the Janesville Code of Ordinances regarding All-Terrain Vehicles: City Code will follow Bremer County and the State of Iowa Guidelines, the City Registration and Cost will be removed as they will already need to be registered through the county, remove the not operated on Wildcat Way, Pine St, and both Round-about, and add must keep within posted speed limit. Motion carried.

Motion by McAllister and seconded by Miller to table #2.2 regarding Chapter 77 of the Janesville Code of Ordinances as it pertains to Golf Carts for further research to be done on how the presented changes can be made in a safe manner. Motion carried.

Motion by McAllister and seconded by Miller to approve an internship of Hawkeye Community College student, Veronica Gregory, with the Janesville Police Department. Chief Samec will conduct a pre-internship interview on Wednesday, October 21, 2020. Motion carried.

**Water/Sewer/Refuse:** Commissioner Robinson let the council know that they will be having an online meeting on Thursday, October 22 for a demonstration of the 7<sup>th</sup> St E Lift Station control panel. Mayor Beenblossom informed the council there is a possible leak at the base of the water tower. It is possible that the City will need have the tower drained and repaired. Public Works Director Wrage

and gathering quotes for the work and will report back to the Mayor and Commissioner Robinson.

Motion by Robinson and seconded by Stapleton to approve Payment Application #3 for the 7<sup>th</sup> St E Lift Station Project from Boomerang Corporation in the amount of \$33,962.50. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Miller, McAllister, Robinson, Worrell and Stapleton. Nays – None. Motion carried.

**Parks and Recreation:** Commissioner Miller gave a brief update to the council. There have been instances of vandalism happening at the Barrick Rd City Park. He is in the process of seeing if the damage to a bench can be repaired or if it needs to be replaced. Also, a picnic table had been upended in the Lion's shelter causing some minor scuffs in the ceiling of the shelter. He also noted that the City Park is now under camera surveillance and hopes this will deter any future vandalism after proper signage is posted. Miller continued his report with an update on some unsafe equipment being removed from Beeson Park and a bench being placed at Paul's Park.

Motion by McAllister and seconded by Robinson to approve an additional payment to Iowa Tree Services in the amount of \$2500.00 for the removal of two trees that were not on the original bid proposal sent out in August. Motion carried.

Motion by Miller and seconded by Robinson to approve City assistant Eric Ver Steegt to post for sale in the appropriate places miscellaneous unused equipment. Motion carried.

Motion by McAllister and seconded by Miller to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ MAYOR: \_\_\_\_\_

September 2020 DISBURSEMENTS: General-43,086.74, Road Use-129,171.64, Summer Rec Program-3,135.00, Fire Dept-18,432.74, Special Library-3900.39, Parks Expansion & Improvement-10,542.50, Water/Sewer Improvements-4,875.00, 7<sup>th</sup> Street East Lift Station Project-10,373.35, Water-13,085.47, Sewer-16,166.53, Refuse-8,564.34, Utility Deposits-367.33= 261,701.03.

September 2020 REVENUES: General-30,618.38, Road Use-13,207.58, Employee Benefits-3,806.13, Special Events-1,242.00 Community Betterment-277.01, Summer Rec Program-3,726.00 First Responders-667.39, Fire Dept-3,280.60, Special Library-13,105.15, Parks Expansion & Improvements-646.35, Debt Service-3,787.94, Water/Sewer Improvements-2,770.08, Street/Bridge Maintenance-3,047.09, 7<sup>TH</sup> St. East Lift Station Project-292.44, Water-32,569.97, Sewer-19,673.32, Refuse-10,141.69, Utility Deposits-(53.99), and Storm Water Utility-1,001.21= 143,806.34.