

**CITY OF MISSOURI VALLEY  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MISSOURI VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2019  
6:00 P.M.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Struble presided over the meeting and called it to order at 6:00 P.M. with the following Council members present: Gunderson, Pfouts, Struble, Stueve, and Tiffey. Also present: Travis Halm, MAPA, Melba Struble, Connie McLaughlin, Chris J Myer, Rob Lange, Milinda Coddington, Linda Coddington, Narissa Bennett, Jack Bennett, Mary Jo Buckley, Jim Long, Jeannie Wortman, Kristine Watts, Marvin Watts, Leonard Ratliff, Caleb Wohlers.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Struble asked Council for any comments or additions-Gunderson requested and will be 18a.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded by Stueve to approve the agenda for the September 3, 2019 meeting. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Motion by Tiffey, seconded by Stueve to approve the following items on the consent agenda: a) Minutes from August 20, 2019 City Council Meeting b) Claims list c) Water, Park Board, and Safety Committee Reports d) Clerk's Financial Report e) Liquor Licenses for Loess Moose Bar & Grill and Food Land Super Markets. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Jack Bennett inquired if Council made any decision on his property. The City is waiting to hear from the insurance company and to see the City Engineers proposal. Mr. Bennett stated that if the City works in his yard, they must carry adequate insurance and he believes when the City attached to the pipe, the issue became the City's responsibility. Flaherty will contact insurance and see the status of the claim.

Rob Lange addressed parking issues on 1<sup>st</sup> Street. The City is giving citizens tickets for parking in the City Right-of-Way. The City ordinance currently prohibits parking in the ROW. There is no off-street parking except over 100 yards away. Council will look at the issue before the next meeting.

Kristine Watts lives at 516 North 1<sup>st</sup> Street. She is disabled and has been parking in the ROW for 8 years.

Bruce Kocher gave the Library Report. He stated that the State Librarian will be at the Library on Monday. He gave the annual report and FY 18/19 statistics.

Jeannie Wortmann with the Chamber gave an update on the Metal presentation for Martin Cline.

Chief Wohlers, Fire Chief updated Council on activities for the month of August and upcoming activities. The Department is applying for grants for gear, tools, and flashlights.

Chris Myer, Parks Supervisor, stated that they have been winterizing the pool, mowing, and they need to install flag poles at the Library before it freezes. Council would like to see mulch put around the Caboose.

Assistant Chief Lange reported on the hiring process of the new officer and stated Chief Murray is back to work.

Jeannie Wortmann with the Chamber thanked the Council for the annual endowment and gave an update on past and future events.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded by Stueve to table Project Updates-Olmsted & Perry. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Travis Halm with MAPA, spoke to Council about their Long Range Transportation Plan. He stated MAPA has monthly meetings and they discuss current projects and funding.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded by Tiffey to waive the permit fees for the Missouri Valley Community School District. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Jim Long gave the Park Board update. The Board is going to create a comprehensive plan for all City Parks. The current issues are parking and the tennis court fencing. There is a dead maple tree that needs removed. They received an estimate of \$200.00 to take down the tree and would like the City to haul the tree away. They are going to get bids on the remainder of the trees. They would like to plant two new trees this year and expand the Dog Park. They would like to move the horseshoe pits and replace one of the tennis courts with a basketball court. They are applying for grants to offset the costs for the projects. Council granted the Park Boards request of the dead tree removal with City employees hauling the tree.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded by Tiffey to install the Dog Park parking lot and the fencing around the tennis court. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Motion by Stueve, seconded by Pfouts to allow the Parks Department to spend up to \$1,200.00 on a new toolbox. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded by Stueve to approve the quote from General Traffic Controls for a Gridsmart Camera Detection Equipment for the amount of \$31,552.00, paid quarterly. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Motion by Tiffey, seconded by Pfouts to authorize the Mayor Pro-Tem to sign the Scope of Services agreement with HGM Associates, Inc. for the 2019 Bridge Inspection. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Resolution #19-27 was introduced Approving the Transfer of Funds from LOST to General. Motion by Stueve, seconded by Gunderson. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Gunderson thanked the families that helped paint the parking stall lines at the Rand Center and thanked the Chamber for the flags. He received a complaint that the No Parking signs were placed on the wrong side of Linn and 8<sup>th</sup> Street.

Flaherty asked Council about having a Special Council Meeting on September 24<sup>th</sup> to review the studies. She asked if Council would like to put yield signs at three of the intersections on 5<sup>th</sup> Street and Council would not. Flaherty asked Council to look at the revised website layouts, hiring policy, and handbook.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded by Tiffey adjourn at 7:42 p.m. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Sherman Struble, Mayor Pro-Tem

Attest: Jodie Flaherty, City Clerk

**RESOLUTION 19-27**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS  
FROM LOST TO GENERAL**

Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Missouri Valley, Iowa:

That the City Clerk is hereby authorized to transfer funds from FY 19/20 in the amount of \$125,000 from the Local Option Sales Tax Fund to the General Fund to reimburse expenses incurred from the Section 205 Study.

Passed and approved this 3rd day of September, 2019.

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Sherman Struble, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:

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Jodie Flaherty, City Clerk