

Mission of the City of Courtland

We envision Courtland as a city with managed growth which offers a high quality of life for individuals, families and businesses at an affordable cost.

City Council Minutes

Regular Meeting

April 7, 2022

Members Present: Mayor Al Poehler
Council Member Ralph Bents
Council Member Pam Rodewald
Council Member Justin Kraus
Council Member Kandyce Peton

Members Absent:

Others Present: Julie Holm Dave Ubel Leon Luepke Dave Wendler Mark Fiemeyer Jason & Jen Kuester Lee Zion Paul Bode

The regular city council meeting was called to order by Mayor Poehler at 7:00 pm on April 7, 2022 in the Council chambers in City Hall.

Rodewald made a motion to approve the agenda. Peton seconded the motion. The motion carried with all in favor.

Rodewald made a motion to approve March 3, 2022 regular Council minutes. Peton seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

Rodewald made a motion to approve monthly bills. Bents seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

Check#	Vendor	Date	\$AMT	Description
EFT	IRS	09-Mar-22	\$665.76	federal payroll taxes
EFT	MN DEPT OF REVENUE	09-Mar-22	\$121.00	mn payroll taxes
EFT	PERA	09-Mar-22	\$412.10	PERA contributions
EFT	MICROSOFT	10-Mar-22	\$8.86	office 365 subscription
EFT	IRS	21-Mar-22	\$674.99	federal payroll taxes
EFT	MN DEPT OF REVENUE	21-Mar-22	\$123.00	mn payroll taxes
EFT	PERA	21-Mar-22	\$417.35	PERA contributions
21723	BLETHEN BERENS	03-Mar-22	\$60.00	phone call with mayor, review email with Clerk
21724	CLEARWAY COMMUNITY SOLAR LLC	03-Mar-22	\$970.91	maintenance shed
21725	CLIFTONLARSONALLEN	03-Mar-22	\$6,300.00	audit services
21726	GOPHER STATE ONE-CALL	03-Mar-22	\$1.35	1 ticket
21727	LAFAYETTE NICOLLET LEDGER	03-Mar-22	\$5.25	publish legal notice
21728	LOFFLER	03-Mar-22	\$52.17	mfp maintenance contract 2/24-3/23/22
21729	LUEPKE OIL & TRUCKING LLC	03-Mar-22	\$669.06	gas/fuel
21730	Nuvera	03-Mar-22	\$506.13	office,fax,fire hall,lifts,wells,wtr twr,wtr plnt intnet,wbste host
21731	QUALITY FLOW SYSTEMS INC	03-Mar-22	\$3,909.00	grinder pump for america midwest
21732	MN Pollution Control Agency	03-Mar-22	\$40.00	dave wastewater certification renewal
21733	POSTMASTER	03-Mar-22	\$348.00	postage
21734	Holm, Julie	09-Mar-22	\$896.16	Payroll 02/20-03/05/22
21735	Ubel, David	09-Mar-22	\$1,722.55	Payroll 02/20-03/05/22
21736	BLETHEN BERENS	17-Mar-22	\$360.00	review sign ord,research interim ordinances,phone call with AL
21737	CITY OF COURTLAND	17-Mar-22	\$289.69	fire hall,community center,main shed,city office utilities
21738	CITY OF NEW ULM	17-Mar-22	\$6,346.26	flow fees to new ulm
21739	COMCAST, INC	17-Mar-22	\$264.11	city office, fire hall, comm center internet
21740	COURTLAND HARDWARE	17-Mar-22	\$9.66	keys
21741	COURTLAND MART	17-Mar-22	\$194.15	gas
21742	COURTLAND RURAL FIRE ASSOC	17-Mar-22	\$5,625.00	2022 budget contribution
21743	ECOWATER SYSTEMS OF NEW ULM	17-Mar-22	\$13.97	softner salt - firehall
21744	FASTENAL COMPANY	17-Mar-22	\$868.65	grinder pump repair parts
21745	MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	17-Mar-22	\$546.00	1st qtr 2022 service connection fee
21746	MN LIFE INS COMPANY	17-Mar-22	\$5.00	dave life ins co
21747	PETTY CASH	17-Mar-22	\$21.00	brown co treas-tax exempt plates city truck

21748	POSTMASTER	17-Mar-22	\$62.00	fire dept post office box fee
21749	UNITED NATURAL GAS	17-Mar-22	\$2,060.05	main shed, firehall,wtr plant,cityoffice natural gas
21750	XCEL ENERGY	17-Mar-22	\$2,783.12	office,firehall,wtrtwr,park,lifts,wtrplt,mainshed,st lights
21751	Holm, Julie	21-Mar-22	\$869.48	Payroll 03/06-03/19/2022
21752	Ubel, David	21-Mar-22	\$1,321.12	Payroll 03/06-03/19/2022
			\$39,542.90	

Leon Luepke with the Courtland Fire Department is present asking for approval to hold drawing for a raffle on August 21, 2022 at the Courtland Fire Hall.

Rodewald made a motion to approve Resolution 22-103 Resolution For Raffle for Fire Department Street Dance. Peton seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

RESOLUTION 22-103
RESOLUTION FOR RAFFLE FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT STREET DANCE

The City of Courtland on the seventh day of April 2022 approves the request from the Courtland Fire Department Relief Association to allow a drawing for a raffle held on August 21, 2022 to be held in the Courtland Fire Hall. Adopted by the City Council for the City of Courtland unanimously on the seventh day of April 2022.

Signed: Al Poehler, Mayor

Attest: Julie Holm, City Clerk

Public Utilities: Dave has worked with MNDot to change detour route when 4th street intersection is closed. The detour had traffic routed on Red Shoe and Valley View Drive which is not wide enough or rated enough to handle truck traffic. Councilmember Kraus noted the road has videotaped prior to start of project.

Dave also addresses the erosion issue on Riverview Drive between Dave Wendler and Dennis Ellingson. The entire length is 175 to 200 feet an estimated cost of repair is \$75,000-\$80,000. There is grant money available through Brown-Nicollet Soil & Water Conservation with cost participation by the landowner. Mr. Wendler contacted a DNR hydrologist Gary Bennett to consult on the issue. Increased precipitation and culvert contribute to the water flow. Mr. Wendler also spoke with Blake Honetschlager from Nicollet Soil and Water Conservation also offered same comments and spoke about possible solutions. Councilmember Rodewald will contact Blake in regard to these solutions and moving forward.

Council Reports: Councilmember Rodewald reports the DNR grant application has been accepted. Rodewald had a note of change to plans was for engineered wood chips instead of pea rock.

Dave also reports on sidewalk along the park. Survey crews were out this week to mark property lines, County Road right of way. Dave is working with engineers and Nicollet County on the project.

Clerk Report: Clerk Holm reminds council of Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting will be held next month at 6:30. Audit will be presented next month as upon review some items needed to be changed for accuracy. Sid Signs has the letters for the signage on City Hall and is waiting for better weather day to put them up. Holm also reports there will be a special primary May 24th as there were several filings for Jim Hagedorn vacant seat. Clerk has recruited some new election judges that will attend training next week.

Jason and Jen Kuester are present to discuss Kuester Pit 2 Second Additional Final Plat and development agreement. The agreement was received this week and forwarded to city attorney for review. Mr. Kuester has prepared a two phase development plan to move forward with the project which is outlined in the development agreement. Mr. Kuester has proposed as part of the new agreement for the City to cover the costs of paving Collin Drive. Council discusses the proposal and questions whether it can be included in new agreement that has not yet expired. Mr. Kuester recounts how much he had to put into acquiring the road and paying back taxes in order to have the road included as a public street. Additional discussion on requirement of a performance bond as agreement allows for. Mayor Poehler will forward notes to city attorney for review and possibly could call a special meeting to move forward before next council meeting.

Rodewald made a motion to adjourn. Bents seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

Meeting adjourned 8:32p.m.

A signed written copy of the minutes is on file in the office of the city clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed: _____

Al Poehler, Mayor

Attest: _____

Julie Holm, City Clerk