

CITY OF LENOX
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 23, 2021 · 5:30 p.m. · City Hall

A regular meeting of the Lenox City Council was called to order by Mayor Douglas on August 23, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall with the following council members answering roll call: Bowman, Tull, Zabel and Cruz; Brown was absent. Staff present was City Clerk, Dawne Bowman and City Administrator, Allison Kitzman. Diana Maharry, Cindy Cox, Colleen Larimer and Deputy Pafford were also present.

Bowman made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Cruz, all ayes, motion carried. Tull made a motion to approve 08/09/21 meeting minutes, seconded by Zabel, all ayes, motion carried. Zabel made a motion to approve the payment of bills, seconded by Bowman, all ayes, motion carried.

At 5:30 PM Bowman opened the Public Hearing for FY22 Budget Amendment #1, seconded by Zabel. There were no comments heard from the public. At 5:31 PM, Tull closed the Public Hearing, seconded by Zabel.

Kitzman reported that the tuckpointing was completed on the west side of the library exterior and both drop ceilings have been removed on the interior.

Cindy Cox and Diana Maharry with Leading Ladies of Lenox were present to discuss the 2nd pocket park project on the east side of Main Street. This pocket park will include the bump out, a sculpture representing Lenox and Southwest Iowa, a free Little Library, along with furniture and lighting. Maharry discussed a mural going on the west half of the Bredeaux building also. Cox reported this project to cost approximately \$76,000 and funds have been raised to date totaling approximately \$58,750, due to grants and donations. Cox asked for contribution to the project from the City to take care of the shortfall. These funds would be specifically for furniture and other items needed to finish the project.

Pafford entered the meeting at 5:40 PM.

Mayor asked if funding is in the current budget for contributing to the project. Kitzman mentioned that this project would completely run through the City, just as the last one did, and the City would be reimbursed. Kitzman added these funds would come from the General Fund, just as the 1st pocket park when the City purchased the clock. Bowman stated that if funds are in place, he would like to see the City contribute to the project. Zabel made a motion to contribute \$15,000 to the 2nd Pocket Park project, seconded by Tull, all ayes, motion carried.

Bowman made a motion to approve Resolution 21-35 FY22 Budget Amendment #1, seconded by Tull. Roll call votes-all ayes, motion carried.

Tull made a motion to approve Resolution 21-34 Street Finance Report, seconded by Cruz, all ayes, motion carried.

Deputy Pafford reported on current drug narcotics investigations, warrants issued and arrests being made. Bowman discussed having presence at the school as we have in the past. Pafford also discussed the Jr. Deputy Program.

Zabel motioned to adjourn the meeting, Tull seconded, all ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:55 P.M.

Mayor

City Clerk