

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2017, 7:00 P.M.
CHEROKEE CITY HALL**

A regular meeting was called to order on this date by Mayor Murphy. Roll call: Present: Councilpersons Agnitsch, Brown, Miller, Johnson, Pingel. City Administrator Kooiker, and City Clerk-Treasurer Cargin. Absent was City Attorney Herbold.

Resolution 2017-70 Street Lighting on Aster Drive

Motion by Brown, seconded by Agnitsch adopted Resolution 17-70, a Resolution Authorizing Street Lighting on Aster Drive. This Resolution provides for the installation of four street lights. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Resolution 2017-71 Authorizing Assessment to 100 E. Main

Motion by Miller, seconded by Johnson adopted Resolution 2017-71, a Resolution Authorizing Assessment to 100 E. Main (Rasmus Realty) for unpaid dangerous building mitigation costs over a ten year period at 6% interest. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Resolution 17-72 Establishing Interest Rates for Special Assessments

Motion by Pingel, seconded by Miller adopted Resolution 2017-72, a Resolution Establishing Interest Rates for Special Assessments to Property. The interest rate will be 6% for future special assessments. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYES: None

Public Hearing – FEMA Buyout Program

Mayor Murphy opened a Public Hearing on the Cherokee Flood Property Acquisition Project at 7:04 p.m. The Mayor read the following announcements: This Public Hearing is being held to update residents on the City’s Flood Property Acquisition Project. This project is funded in part by a Community Development Block Grant and FEMA Funds. The need for and goals of the project have not changed since the CDBG application was submitted to the State of Iowa in 2014. The project is complete with 35 homes being acquired and demolished in the flood project area. The grant is scheduled to close-out on December 15, 2017. To date, \$214,826 in CDBG funds have been requested and \$2,072,635 in matching funds have been expended. The Mayor then asked are any oral and written comments. As there were no oral or written comments the Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 7:06 p.m.

FEMA Buyout Program Close-out

Motion by Agnitsch, seconded by Brown acknowledged the close-out of the FEMA Buyout Project. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Consent Agenda

On a motion by Brown, seconded by Pingel, the following was approved under Consent Agenda. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYES: None
City Council Minutes of December 12, 2017.

Bills totaling \$135,659.29

ABBIE KOOIKER	VOLLEYBALL REFEREE	\$90.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	GAS	\$2,424.91
ALPHA WIRELESS	PALM MICROPHONE	\$75.00

ALYSSA A. HERBOLD PLC.	123 E. MAIN LEGAL SERVICE	\$675.00
ALYSSA A. HERBOLD PLC.	11/17 LEGAL SERVICE	\$1,795.50
AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS ASSN.	MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL	\$196.00
ARAMARK UNIFORM SERVICES	RAGS, RUGS, MOPS	\$49.28
ATIRA CREDIT MASTERCARD	MISC. ITEMS	\$937.20
AUDITOR OF STATE	AUDIT FILING FEE	\$425.00
AVENET, LLC	SET UP MAYOR EMAIL	\$50.00
AXON ENTERPRISE, INC.	BATTERY PACK, CARTRIDGE	\$294.28
BAKER & TAYLOR INC.	BOOKS	\$989.36
BEALS & BOBS	CAMPING PLUG REPAIRS	\$93.00
BLACKTOP SERVICE CO.	2017 STREET PROJECTS	\$16,624.53
BOLTON & MENK, INC.	2017 ON CALL ENGINEERING	\$500.00
BOLTON & MENK, INC.	123 E. MAIN DEMO	\$5,387.50
BOLTON & MENK, INC.	2017 STREET PROJECTS	\$958.50
BOMGAARS	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$656.46
BROWN SUPPLY CO.	COUPLINGS, O-RINGS	\$1,185.03
BRYCE KREMER	VOLLEYBALL REFEREE	\$60.00
CB HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE	341 S. 8TH WASTE	\$179.03
CHAMPION ELECTRIC, INC.	RESET CLOCKS, ELEC. WORK	\$889.67
CHEROKEE AREA ECONOMIC	CAEDC MEETING LUNCH	\$7.00
CHEROKEE AVIATION AUTHORIT	TAX DRAW	\$829.96
CHEROKEE COUNTY AUDITOR	2017 CITY ELECTION	\$4,568.03
CHEROKEE REGIONAL MED. CENTER	HEP B SHOTS	\$449.00
COUNSEL	COPIER LEASE & COPIES	\$269.85
COURTNEY ADEN	VOLLEYBALL REFEREE	\$30.00
CROSSROADS OF WESTERN IOWA	CLEAN SHOP TOWELS	\$31.86
DENNY'S SERVICE	FILTER	\$30.00
DETROIT INDUSTRIAL TOOL	DIAMOND BLADE	\$308.46
EMERGENCY APPARATUS MAINT.	PUMPER PARTS	\$2,155.73
FAREWAY STORES, INC.	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$16.81
FASTENAL COMPANY	NUTS & BOLTS	\$131.06
FELD FIRE	SUPPLIES	\$2,269.76
FOUNDATION ANALYTICAL LAB	WATER & WWTR SAMPLES	\$773.00
GREG EATON	REIMB. FOR STAMPS	\$49.00
GROUP RESOURCES/THREE RIVERS	FLEX SPENDING, 12/17 ADMIN.	\$501.00
HACH CO.	LAB SUPPLIES	\$212.20
HALLETT MATERIALS	WASHED FILL SAND, ROCK	\$2,596.11
HAWKINS, INC.	LAB SUPPLIES	\$561.42
HY-VEE, INC.	BASKETBALL DONUTS	\$55.16
IOWA LAKES ELECTRIC COOP	ELECTRICITY	\$54.66
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	\$105.30
IOWA STATE POLICE ASSOC.	2018 ASSOCIATION DUES	\$280.00
JACK'S UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT	LIBERATOR II	\$707.25
JIM'S SEWER SERVICE	TV LINE	\$120.00
JOHN MEIS	SIMPCO TAC MEETING	\$206.75
JR'S SALES AND SERVICE	GARAGE DOOR REPAIRS	\$590.60

K-MART #9222	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$7.77
LINDA MATTSON	UTILITY BILL REFUND	\$22.59
LUZ ELENA SWAIN	TRANSLATE TRAFFIC STOP	\$30.00
MAPLE VALLEY HARDWARE	DOG FOOD	\$44.99
MCKAYLA BENSON	VOLLEYBALL REFEREE	\$30.00
METERING & TECH. SOLUTION	BARE METER & PARTS	\$1,066.87
MID AMERICAN ENERGY	ELECTRICITY	\$21,143.41
MODERN HEATING & COOLING	WATER FOUNTAIN LEAK	\$946.99
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC.	METERS, SMARTPOINTS	\$2,482.23
NORTHWEST IOWA CITY CLERK'S	FY18 MEMBER DUES	\$25.00
NW IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	LEAGUE OF CITIES MEETING	\$45.00
ONE OFFICE SOLUTION	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$162.39
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE STORES	PARTS	\$119.99
PAITYN HAGBERG	VOLLEYBALL REFEREE	\$60.00
PETTY CASH	DONUTS FOR BASKETBALL	\$25.96
PITNEY BOWES	RELOAD POSTAGE	\$1,412.50
PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FIN. SERV.	POSTAGE MACHINE LEASE	\$100.00
PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL	TREATMENT FOR SPIDERS	\$50.00
PRECISION CONCRETE CUTTING	SIDEWALK REPAIRS	\$19,213.00
REHAB SYSTEMS, INC.	JET/VAC SEWER LINES	\$375.00
RENAISSANCE RESTORATION INC.	CDBG STOREFRONT FACADE PROJ.	\$25,248.96
S & W REPAIR, LLC	MANIFOLD REPAIRS	\$306.15
SIMMERING-CORY, INC.	CDBG SEWER PROJECT	\$2,000.00
SIOUX SALES COMPANY	VEST, EAR PIECE	\$1,016.80
STANDARD READY MIX	CONCRETE	\$519.75
STEPHEN VEIT, M.D.	SHOTS	\$265.00
SYNCHRONY BANK/AMAZON	BOOKS & DVDS	\$204.06
TYLER EBEL	VOLLEYBALL REFEREE	\$100.00
UNUM LIFE INS. CO OF AMERICA	1/18 LIFE & DISABILITY INS.	\$1,058.43
USPS	CYCLE 2 UTILTIY BILL POSTAGE	\$330.64
VALLEY GLASS & FRAMING	MAIN ST. WATER BLDG. WINDOW	\$113.33
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONE	\$30.06
WATCHGUARD VIDEO	2 CAMERAS	\$112.00
WILLIAM SMITH	DESK FOR COMMUNITY CENTER	\$100.00
WINDSTREAM	TELEPHONE	\$42.56
WINTHER, STAVE & CO., LLP	FY16/17 AUDIT FEES	\$4,150.00
YOUR FLEETCARD PROGRAM	PARK FUEL	\$252.64

Federal Migratory Bird Depredation Permit

Motion by Pingel, seconded by Agnitsch, approved the application to the U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service for a 2018 permit for vultures and geese, which allows for the extermination of up to ten turkey vultures and ten geese with the provision that goose extermination will occur only by order of the City Council or Airport Authority. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Oath of Office

City Clerk Cargin administered the Oath of Office to re-elected City Councilperson At Large Emily Johnson and Ward II City Councilperson Will Miller.

Recognition of Out-going Mayor

Councilperson Pingel read letters of appreciation from former City Administrator Don Eikmeier, State Senator Randy Feenstra, U.S. Senator Steve King and U. S. Senator Chuck Grassley commending Mayor Murphy for his two terms of service to the citizens of Cherokee. Pingel then presented Mayor Murphy with his gavel and thanked him for his dedication and service on behalf of the city council. Murphy stated that it has been an honor and a pleasure to serve the citizens of Cherokee and he found it pretty special to come back to his hometown after many years away and serve in this capacity.

Oath of Office

City Clerk Cargin administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected mayor, Craig Schmidt. Schmidt stated he feels he is coming into a very good situation with the city having an excellent administrator, council and staff and out-going mayor. He expressed appreciation to all who have assisted him in the transition over the last six weeks and said he will do everything in his power to justify the confidence the public has placed in him and is looking forward to serving the residents as their mayor.

Adjournment

On a motion by Pingel, seconded by Miller, the meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Media Present: Nikki Thunder, *KCHE Radio*

Mark Murphy, Mayor

ATTEST:

Diane Cargin
City Clerk Treasurer