

**City of Mountain Lake  
Regular City Council Meeting  
Mountain Lake City Hall – 930 Third Ave  
Monday, April 19, 2021  
6:30 p.m.**

Members Present: Dean Janzen, Dana Kass, Mike Nelson

Members Absent: Darla Kruser, Andrew Ysker

City Staff Present: Michael Schulte, City Administrator/Clerk; Maryellen Suhrhoff, City Attorney

Others Present: Doug Regehr

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nelson at 6:30 p.m.

**Approval of Agenda & Consent Agenda**

Motion by Janzen, seconded by Kass, to approve the agenda and consent agenda. Motion carried 3 – 0.

Bills: Checks #24813 – 24852, 719E – 722E

Payroll: Checks #65938 – 65968

Approve March 8 Lake Commission Minutes

Approve March 9 Library Board Minutes, March Library Report, & March Expenditures

Approve March 25 Utilities Commission Minutes

Approve April 5 City Council Minutes

Approve Tobacco License Application for Dollar General Store #21288 – 2004 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue

Approve Resolution #6-21 – Accepting Fire Relief Donation of \$10,000

**Public**

No one spoke during this portion of the meeting.

**Mountain Lake Tree Program**

The 2021 tree removal and planting list was reviewed. All applications were reviewed by the Tree Commission and the presented list is the final list for this year's program. The tree removal list was made public to receive bids from contractors. Dave Bucklin, Tree Commission Chair, marked each removal tree and is lining up a grant request to plant around 100 trees in the Mountain Lake Cemetery, which is a high vulnerability area of the city's drinking water. A total of 132 trees are expected to be planted in city limits. 5 tree removal bids were received. Motion by Janzen, seconded by Kass, to approve Kolander Tree Service of a price of \$4,975 to remove the listed trees. Motion carried 3 – 0.

## **Resolution #7-21 Arbor Day Proclamation**

Motion by Janzen, seconded by Kass, to approve Resolution #7-21. Motion carried 3 – 0.

## **Electric Superintendent Position**

The job description of the Electric Superintendent position was reviewed. Per union policy, when a vacancy occurs for a union position, the position must be posted internally for 10 days and then externally if needed. Motion by Kass, seconded by Janzen, to approve the job description, post internally, and post externally if needed. Motion carried 3 – 0.

## **Mountain Lake Rebate Program**

Rebates for electric appliances have switched to an entirely online based program. Customers can visit the city's website or the link posted in the flier going out in utility bills this month, create an online account, and review and apply for rebates. Frontier Energy, who Mountain Lake contracts with through CMPAS to assist with their conservation improvement program, designed the website and can be contacted by any customer with any questions regarding applying for rebates. Once a rebate application is submitted through the website, office staff are notified to review and approve the rebate. Instructions on how to create an account are listed on the city's website under energy rebates.

## **2021 Q1 Revenues & Expenses**

Revenues and expenses to-date were reviewed.

## **City Attorney**

Nuisances or previous nuisances at various addresses were discussed. City Attorney Suhrhoff provided updates on court hearings and statuses of each. Utility easements for the electric department are being worked on and the department will be working with affected residents to move overhead wires to underground.

## **Board of Appeal & Equalizations**

The Board of Appeal & Equalization meeting will be held at 5:30pm on Monday, April 26 via conference call.

## **Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

**Approved May 3, 2021**

ATTEST:

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Michael Schulte, Administrator/Clerk