

**City of Martensdale
Regular Council Meeting
April 2, 2018**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Prichard.

Members present: Scott Henson, Jeri Jo Dudney, Ryan Baker, Robert Wetzler and Nathan Wheeldon.

Members absent: None.

Attorney John Judisch was present.

The consent agenda (April disbursements and revenues, fire dept. expenses and revenues), April 2018 payables were presented. N. Wheeldon made a motion to accept the consent agenda with a \$90.59 revenue added to the revenues; seconded by J. Dudney. On a voice vote, Henson, Aye; Baker, Aye; Wheeldon, Aye; Dudney, Aye; Wetzler, Nye. Mayor Prichard declared the motion carried.

Inappropriation of funds was discussed by Robert Wetzler. He stated that he has concerns about the last meeting and the purchase of the fire truck to the fire association for \$10.00. He stated any disposal of city property needs to be placed on the agenda. Mr. Wetzler said that sale needs to be taken back and placed on the next agenda. He also stated that since there were only 3 council members, 2 on the fire dept. and that Nathan Wheeldon is a representative for the fire association.

The attorney stated that Section 362.5 of the Iowa State Code states that fire fighters are exempt. The city attorney said as long as the item was on the agenda, he did not see a problem with the sale. Since it was not on the agenda, the fire truck motion needs to be rescinded and placed on the next agenda.

Misappropriation of funds was discussed by Robert Wetzler relating to pay for the voluntary fire convention for 2018. The city attorney stated that you only need a majority quorum vote for an expense up to \$10,000.00 to pay for the fire convention. It was stated that the fire dept. goes every year to the fire convention and the fee is for their camp site lodging. The city attorney stated the city council needs to decide how they want to pay bills. The city clerk stated she would sign no checks without approval by the city council.

Mr. Wetzler asked how the fire convention benefits the residence of Martensdale? Scott Henson stated that it is a state competition and that the State of Iowa Auditor has had no problem with this expense over the last 3 years. Mr. Wetzler asked Scott Henson the names of the people attending the fire convention? A list of attendees was not provided.

Mayor Prichard stated that other small towns pay for their fire dept. to attend the annual fire convention and he seen no problem with paying for it, competition is training. R. Wetzler said he has spoken with small towns that do not pay for the fire convention.

The city clerk told the city council that Home Depot would not take the \$100.00 check for the carpet deposit since deposit was \$50.00 and they couldn't place the balance on the carpet total. Check #16732 was voided. The city clerk paid the \$50.00 to have city hall measured for the carpet. The city clerk has received a complaint from a resident regarding alleys being blocked with resident's vehicles or junk sitting in the alley. The clerk will send out a letter to the resident blocking the alley, Chapter 55, pages 102-151.

Robert Seymour stated that he will need grass seed for the new sidewalk area. He also said he will need to purchase a new water pH meter (\$100.00), a new chlorine tester (\$480.00) and he needs 4-5 loads of rock.

Fire Report. Fire Chief Henson stated they were 14 EMS calls and 4 fire calls in March. He stated that work needs to be done on the ambulance radio.

Todd Netley, maintenance manager at D.O.T. garage on Hwy. 28 in Martensdale was present along with his manager Bruce to discuss with Warren Water District who was present water usage during weather when the D.O.T. is making brine. Todd stated that there is concern with the City's water pressure and usage when we have storms back to back. Warren Water stated that the problem is with the size of the City's water tower and that there is not much they can do. They said there is more than enough water going through the meter. Todd Netley said that the storage in their tank is 50,000 gallons and they should have 80,000 to 100,000. He said the pressure regulator is only a 2-inch line. There was discussion that Churchville has an 8-inch line and asked Warren Water if there was any way that could be ran direct to the D.O.T. Warren Water said they will have to talk to their engineer to look into that possibility

Larry Hughes, Norwalk, IA was present to get approval for a new home being built on the south side of Hwy. 92 on 50th St. on the south side of the road that is from a living trust sale. This is within the 2-mile radius approval law. Mr. Hughes said it is a 2-acre parcel being sold off, S. Henson made a motion to approve Resolution 4-2-18-1, approving the 2-acre parcel being sold within the 2-mile radius; seconded by R. Baker. On a voice vote Mayor Prichard declared the motion carried unanimously.

The city clerk presented the 2018-2019 Warren Co. Sheriff contract. N. Wheeldon made a motion to approve Resolution 4-2-18-2 approving the Warren County Sheriff contract; seconded by J. J. Dudney. On a voice vote, Henson, Aye; Baker, Aye; Wheeldon, Aye; Dudney, Aye; Wetzler, abstained. Mayor Prichard declared the motion carried.

Ordinance 03.01.2018 Amending Code of Ordinances of the City of Martensdale, Iowa by Amending Provisions Pertaining to Water Services Rates beginning April 2, 2018 was presented for the 2nd reading. R. Baker made a motion to approved Ordinance 03.01.2018; seconded by N. Wheeldon. On a roll call vote: Henson, Aye; Dudney, Aye; Wheeldon, Aye; Wetzler, Aye; Baker Aye. Mayor Prichard declared the motion carried unanimously.

A motion to waive the 3rd reading of Ordinance 03.01.2018 was made by N. Wheeldon and seconded by R. Baker. On a roll call vote: Henson, Aye; Dudney, Aye; Wheeldon, Aye; Wetzler, Aye; Baker, Aye. Mayor Prichard declared the motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 03.02.2018 Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Martensdale, Iowa by amending Provisions Pertaining to Swimming Pools, Spas and Hot tubs was presented. R. Wetzler made a motion to approve Ord. 03.02.2018; seconded by N. Wheeldon. On a roll call vote: Henson, Aye; Dudney, Aye; Wheeldon, Aye; Wetzler, Aye; Baker, Aye. Mayor Prichard declared the motion carried unanimously. The second reading of Ordinance 03.02.2018 will be presented at the May meeting.

The maintenance job description was discussed. The city clerk will it and make the city council changes and present it for approval at the May meeting.

The city ordinance book was discussed. On page 87, under Fire Dept. 35.03 needs to be removed and 30.03 from the old ordinance book needs to be put back, also on page 335 the last paragraph has an error at the start of that paragraph.

Open Forum: Michael Trotter asked about cars sitting on resident's grass and asked if a previous ordinance could be placed back in the post office regarding junk vehicles and unlicensed vehicles. The city clerk will repost the ordinance.

Dustin Loyd stated that at 655 Rock Island and Olive there are 3-4 Mid-American poles that are rotting out and are very unsafe. He stated that Mid-American has been notified of this problem previously and nothing has been done. The city clerk will contact Mid-American.

S. Henson discussed the 911 Board and the Joint Commission Meeting. Scott said that new radios and updating the communication system for Warren County will be very expensive. The Warren Co. Board of Supervisors don't feel that expense needs to go on the vote for the new jail. Scott also encouraged other council members and the Mayor to attend those meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Dennis Eaton and Skip Phillips who is running for the Warren Co. Board of Supervisors was present to ask for the City's support for them.

S. Henson made a motion to adjourn; seconded by N. Wheeldon. On a voice vote Mayor Prichard declared the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Brad Prichard

Donna Bahun, City Clerk

City of Martensdale**March 2018****Disbursements**

16721	3/1	Donna Bahun (phone reimbursement)	50.00
16722	3/1	Donna Bahun (salary)	1,312.02
16723	3/1	US Postmaster (stamps)	238.00
16724	3/1	Robert Seymour (salary)	1,411.81
16725	3/	Robert Seymour (phone reimbursement)	50.00
16726	3/	Robert Seymour (reimbursement)	50.00
16727	3/8	Des Moines Register (publication fees)	842.58
16728	3/8	IA Assn. of Municipal Utilities (2018 dues)	552.80
16729	3/8	Stuyvesant, Benton, Judisch (atty fees)	1,575.00
16730	3/8	Randy Crow (extra help)	940.00
16731	3/8	Windstream (phone)	327.40
16732	3/8	Home Depot (carpet deposit)	400.00 (voided)
16733	3/8	Mid-American (utilities)	148.78
16734	3/8	Regions (sewer, water)	31,896.87
16735		(out of order, has not been wrote yet)	
16736	3/8	Adam Vandekamp (salary)	110.82
16737	3/16	Robert Seymour (salary)	1,411.81
16738	3/30	Robert Seymour (salary)	1,411.81
Automatic Withdrawals			
3/2		Wellmark (Bob insurance)	1,368.15
3/9		IRS (Bob-Donna taxes)	2,247.51
3/9		IPERS (Bob-Donna)	1,015.85
3/13		KUM & Go	173.68
3/13		Warren Water	3,105.20

City of Martensdale Rescue**March 2018****Disbursements**

2792	3/15	Iowa Fire Chief Assn (dues)	50.00
2793	3/15	Verizon (phone)	18.00
2794	3/15	Bound Tree (medical supplies)	75.58
2795	3/15	Praxair (oxygen)	70.90
2796	3/15	Heartland Flags (new flag)	50.00
2797	3/15	Sandry Fire Supply (supplies)	251.20
2798	3/15	Norwalk Fire Dept. (Medic Support)	600.00
2799	3/15	Waverly Fire Dept. (2018 fire convention)	650.00
Automatic Withdrawals			
3/13		Kum & Go	81.09

City of Martensdale**March 2018****Revenues**

3-1		State of Iowa (1 cent tax)	4,071.22
3-1		State of Iowa (road use tax)	6,537.20
3-5		Water-sewer collections	3,495.27
			1,903.82
3-14		Warren County (property taxes)	3,071.38
3-14		Jefferson Twp. (fire protection)	902.89
3-16		Water deposit	100.00
3-16		Water-sewer collections	1,983.92
			2,879.64
			3,606.93
3-18		State of Iowa (DOT Feb. water pymt)	1,840.06
3-29		State of Iowa (1 cent tax)	4,071.22
3-29		State of Iowa (DOT March water pymt)	2,684.11
3-30		Water-sewer collections	2,944.33
3-31		State of Iowa (street construction)	4,141.18
3-31		Water-sewer collections	90.59