

**City of Martensdale**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
June 3, 2019, 6:00 p.m.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Prichard.

Members present: Jeri Jo Dudney, Nathan Wheeldon and Ryan Baker (by phone).

Members absent: Robert Wetzler, Scott Henson and Robert Seymour.

The city attorney was present by phone.

There were no comments from the city council.

J. Dudney made a motion to approve the agenda; seconded by N. Wheeldon. On a roll call vote: Wheeldon, Aye; Dudney, Aye; Baker, Aye. Mayor Prichard declared the motion carried unanimously.

The consent agenda was presented which included the May 6 and May 23 minutes, the financial report, the May 2019 disbursements and revenues, and the accounts payable for June 2019. There was an addition to the May payables to Lane Insurance for \$295.00. There was a change to the May 6 minutes. N. Wheeldon made a motion to approve the consent agenda with the addition; seconded by J. Dudney with the additional payable and change to the May 6 minutes. On a roll call vote: Wheeldon, Aye; Dudney, Aye; Baker, Aye. Mayor Prichard declared the motion carried unanimously.

Maintenance report: Robert Seymour was not present.

Fire report: Chief Henson was not present. Chief Henson has told the city clerk that the fire dept. has decided not to purchase a new ambulance at this time. He stated that the fire dept. will have costs for the new communication system and they need to see what the expense will be for that project.

The city clerk presented the renewal of DanLee, cigarette permit for approval. J. Dudney made a motion to approve the tobacco permit; seconded by R. Baker. On a roll call vote: Wheeldon, Aye; Dudney, Aye; Baker, Aye. Mayor Prichard declared the motion carried unanimously.

George Meinke was present from City State Bank, Norwalk, IA to discuss interim financing for the sewer project. Mr. Meinke stated that the interest rates have risen since the last time he was at a city council meeting to discuss the sewer project. City State Bank will send a contract with all the terms and Ahlers Law Firm will review it. This will be discussed at the July 2019 meeting.

There was discussion regarding reimbursing Kyle O'Mara for the concrete and culvert work he is working on at Kris Weaver home at 435 Iowa Ave.

J. Dudney offered Mr. O'Mara \$3,300.00, Mr. O'Mara countered the offer to \$4,700.00. Kris Weaver was present and stated they she was going to install the sidewalk and approach but originally, they were just going to go over the culvert that was already there. J. Dudney stated she is struggling with paying the amount Mr. O'Mara is asking for and that she is fine with paying for the culvert, the permit and the wings for the approach. But she does not feel the City should pay for the concrete for the approach and sidewalk. The city made a phone call to Mr. O'Mara to discuss it further. Mr. O'Mara was asked what the original quote was to Ms. Weaver for everything and he stated it was \$7,500.00. J. Dudney told him she was having problems with his hourly wage and the haul away fees. J. Dudney stated that Mr. O'Mara was told by the city council at the May 2019 meeting to move forward on the project and his reimbursement would be discussed at the May 23 meeting, Mr. O'Mara chose not to move forward on the project. N. Wheeldon agrees that work was going to have to be done anyway and there will be more work that will need to be done since the culvert was removed and it did not have to be. N. Wheeldon asked Mr. O'Mara if he would accept \$4,500.00, Mr. O'Mara agreed. The city attorney left the meeting by phone to prepare a release form for Mr. O'Mara to sign and a resolution.

J. Dudney made a motion to pay O'Mara Construction \$4,500.00 for work done at 435 Iowa Ave., Martensdale, IA; seconded by R. Baker. On a roll call vote: Wheeldon, Aye; Dudney, Aye; Baker, Aye. Mayor Prichard declared the motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 6-6-2019-1 Resolution Approving Offer of Compromise and Settlement of Dispute Between the City of Martensdale and Kyle O'Mara and O'Mara Construction was presented. N. Wheeldon made a motion to approve Resolution 6-6-2019-1; seconded by J. Dudney. On a roll call vote: Wheeldon, Aye; Dudney, Aye; Baker, Aye. Mayor Prichard declared the motion carried unanimously.

The mutual release for Mr. Kyle O'Mara to sign was presented which states the City will not be held liable for any further work done at 435 Iowa Ave. J. Dudney made a motion to accept the release; seconded by N. Wheeldon. On a roll call vote: Wheeldon, Aye; Dudney, Aye; Baker, Aye. Mayor Prichard declared the motion carried unanimously. Mr. O'Mara did sign the release.

There was discussion regarding the hiring of a full-time maintenance person. The city clerk presented the city council with a job posting and an application for employment. The city council had a few changes to the application for employment to be made. The city council discussed what licenses would be needed to hire someone to take over for Robert Seymour. There was also discussion about paying Mr. Seymour an hourly wage with no benefits to help train the new person. In the meantime, Mr. Seymour licenses could still be used. The city clerk will contact the League of Cities to inquire on the licenses needed.

Open Forum: N. Wheeldon stated that he and Scott Henson have been receiving calls from clearinghouse for phone service. S. Henson has received 8 or 9 calls and was told that a resident had given them the information.

There was discussion regarding Warren Water taking over the water system. The city clerk has sent Stan from Warren Water an Email but has not heard back yet. She will call him to see if they are still interested.

There was discussion on a commercial property in the City limits that may have someone living in the building. The city clerk will contact the City Attorney.

The city clerk has received numerous phone calls regarding junk and vehicles sitting on property in the City. There was discussion about sending letters to every resident regarding keeping their properties cleaned up.

J. Dudney made a motion to adjourn; seconded by R. Baker. On a roll call vote: Wheeldon, Aye; Dudney, Aye; Baker, Aye. Mayor Prichard declared the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Brad Prichard

Donna Bahun, City Clerk

City of Martensdale  
 May 2019 – Disbursements

17009	5/1	Brad Prichard (phone reimbursement)	50.00
17010	5/1	Robert Seymour (phone reimbursement)	50.00
17011	5/1	Donna Bahun (phone reimbursement)	50.00
17012	5/1	Donna Bahun (salary)	1,341.08
17013	5/10	Robert Seymour (salary)	1,439.55
17014	5/24	Robert Seymour (salary)	1,439.55
17015	5/12	Iowa Assn of Municipal Utilities (2019-2020 dues)	569.00
17016	5/12	Des Moines Register (publication fees)	435.40
17017	5/12	O'Reilly Auto (city truck)	123.85
17018	5/12	McClure Engineering (sewer project)	2,041.25
17019	5/12	Interstate Power Systems	1,514.07
17020	5/12	Randy Crow (extra help)	120.00
17021	5/12	Des Moines Water Works (lab analysis)	27.55
17022	5/12	Stuyvesant Benton, & Judisch (atty fee)	225.00
17023	5/12	Office Depot (anti virus, supplies)	137.83
17024	5/12	Wiegert Disposal (dumpster fee)	120.00
17025	5.12	Mid American Energy (utilities)	1,802.52
17026	5/12	Windstream (phone)	309.16
17027		Void-replaced with #17028	
17028	5/18	Iowa State Bank (fire bond payment)	25,021.25

Automatic Withdrawals

5/2	Wellmark (Bob insurance)	1,254.99
5/13	IRS (Bob-Donna taxes)	2,395.77
5/13	Warren Water (Water purchase)	3,257.10
5/15	IPERS (Bob-Donna)	1,100.47
5/21	Wex Bank (fuel)	67.51

City of Martensdale Rescue  
 May 2019 – Disbursements

2878	5/12	Hy-Vee (supplies)	350.00
2879	5/12	Nathan Wheeldon (reimbursement)	36.08
2880	5/12	New Pig Corp.	606.14
2881	5/12	BoundTree (supplies)	23.19
2882	5/12	Praxair (oxygen)	151.44
2883	5/12	Verizon (phone)	18.10
2884	5/12	City of Indianola	250.00
2885	5/12	EMS Billing (medicare payments)	81.17

Automatic Payments

5/21	Wex Bank (fuel)	182.48
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Revenues

5/14	IRS (Treas. 310 misc. pay)	951.60
5/17	EMS Billing (rescue payments)	853.20
5/24	EMS Billing (rescue payments)	105.19
5/30	Lee Township (Rescue protection)	7,982.31
5/31	AARP Ins. (medicare payment)	288.20
5/31	Central IA Pest Control (refund)	240.00

Fire and Rescue Account – City State Bank

Automatic payment

5/31	City State Bank (fire bond payment)	12,587.50
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