

CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
December 6, 2021

The Montezuma City Council met in regular session at Montezuma City Hall on December 6, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Jacki Bolen presiding.

PRESENT: Willrich, Schuur, Eichenberger & Watts

ABSENT: C. Bolen

ALSO, PRESENT: Christy Sanger, Abby Hubbard (via phone), Mike Cox, Travis Johannes & Austin Henry

Councilmember Willrich made a motion to approve the consent agenda which included the following:

- Minutes from the Nov. 15, 2021 meetings
- Claims

A second was made by Councilmember Eichenberger. Ayes: all, Nays: none.

Ashley Battreall couldn't attend the meeting but informed Councilmember Watts that the Montezuma Little League is asking for permission to rebuild the lime and clay portions at the Montezuma Manufacturing Field. Councilmember Watts made the motion to allow the Montezuma Little League to redo the lime and clay areas at the Montezuma Manufacturing Field at their expense. A second was made by Councilmember Willrich. Ayes: all, Nays: none.

Gas Superintendent, Travis Johannes, gave the mayor and council information pertaining to the costs incurred when installing gas lines. The flat-fee being charged does not cover all of the expenses which ends up causing the gas department to take a loss on the install. Johannes stated that it would make more sense to charge each customer the fees that they would acquire based on their specific needs and situation. Councilmember Watts agreed and made a motion to amend the current resolution outlining the charges for gas services line installations, extensions and tap fees and to rewrite it based on the fees each individual customer acquires for their service. Councilmember Schuur seconded the motion. Ayes: all, Nays: none.

Sanger provided a bill from Meyer Seed for the rental fees he incurred when his 2020 Kubota received substantial damages while being used to install a pipe at the sewer plant. Lowry Equipment provided an estimate and pictures of the unit's damage as well. Sanger is waiting to hear how much the deductible will be for this incident as well as the remaining bill from Strand Excavating. They had to be hired to finish the job.

Hubbard explained her outline on the Fiscal Year 2023 process and Mayor J. Bolen will forward the timeline to the rest of the council.

Resolution #21-12-01: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Montezuma, Iowa, Approving the Street Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021. A motion to approve Resolution #21-12-01 was made by Councilmember Watts and seconded by Councilmember Schuur. Ayes: all, Nays: none.

Resolution #21-12-02: A Resolution Approving the City of Montezuma, Iowa 2021 Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021. Councilmember Schuur made a motion to approve Resolution #21-12-02 and it was seconded by Councilmember Eichenberger. Ayes: all, Nays: none.

Other items discussed:

- Possible land available for Poweshiek County Extension building.
- Electrical issue in the upstairs of the Memorial Hall.
- Earmarking the money for UTV renewals.
- The desperate need for more EMT/EMS personnel.

Councilmember Watts made a motion to adjourn at 6:53 p.m. It was seconded by Councilmember Eichenberger. Ayes: all, Nays: none.

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City Clerk

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Mayor