

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**April 20, 2020**

The City Council of the City of Montezuma met in regular session at Montezuma City Hall on April 20, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor J. Bolen presiding.

PRESENT: Willrich, C. Bolen, Eichenberger, & Watts

ABSENT: Webb

ALSO, PRESENT: Abby Hubbard & Mark Ewing

ALSO, PRESENT ELECTRONICALLY: Bret Warden, Chip Schultz & Derek Bates

The Montezuma City Council held their meeting electronically due to the issues surrounding COVID-19. Chapter 21.8 of the Iowa Code does permit electronic meetings and with the Proclamation of Disaster Emergency ordered by Governor Reynolds on March 19, 2020, a suspension was issued on Iowa laws that would prevent the use of electronic meetings. The agenda and the City's social media source posted the instructions on how others could participate in the meeting allowing the public to be involved during this pandemic.

Councilmember C. Bolen made the motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following:

- Claims
- Minutes from April 6, 2020 meeting

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

Resolution #20-04-04: Resolution Authorizing & Approving a certain Loan Agreement, providing for the issuance of \$2,160,000 General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2020A, & providing the Levy of Taxes to pay the same. Councilmember C. Bolen made the motion to approve Resolution #20-0404 with a second by Councilmember Watts. Ayes: all, Nays: none.

A public hearing concerning Ordinance No. 68 amending Chapter No.75 pertaining to Off-road Utility Vehicles was opened at 6:03 p.m. No one had any comments so the public hearing was closed at 6:04 p.m. Hubbard pointed out the registration form and sticker examples for the Mayor and Council to review.

Councilmember Watts introduced to be considered Ordinance No. 68. It was then moved by Councilmember Willrich and seconded by Councilmember Eichenberger that the rule requiring ordinances to be considered on three different days be dispensed with, and that Ordinance No. 68, be adopted at this meeting. Mayor J. Bolen asked for a roll call vote which consisted of: Eichenberger – Aye, C. Bolen – Aye, Watts – Aye and Willrich – Aye. Nays: none. The motion having received a three-fourths majority of the members elected to the Council, Mayor J. Bolen declared that said motion was carried and that the rule requiring Ordinance No. 68 to be considered on three different days was suspended.

Councilmember C. Bolen then moved and Councilmember Eichenberger seconded, that Ordinance No. 68 be now placed on its passage and adopted as considered. After full discussion of this motion, Mayor J. Bolen put the question and directed Sanger to call for a roll call vote which resulted in the following: Eichenberger – Aye, C. Bolen – Aye, Watts – Aye and Willrich – Aye. Nays: none. The motion having received an affirmative vote of the majority of the whole number of members elected to the Council was declared to have been carried and Ordinance No. 68 was declared adopted. The ordinance will be submitted to The Record and will go into effect once published.

Mayor J. Bolen asked the Council to begin thinking of ways to establish savings within City spending. Having the Road Use Tax and L.O.S.T. funds being reduced due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the City needs to be vigilant in finding ways to save. Mayor J. Bolen discussed the Dangerous & Dilapidated Grant Program and the possibility of placing those grant funds on hold in order to have those monies available if they are needed.

Ewing stated that he had received two quotes for seal-coating city streets. Mayor J. Bolen asked him to present as an agenda item at the next weekend for review.

Other items discussed included little to no progress taking place down at the sewer project and that the new full-time EMT, James Frank, is not being shared with any other departments or cities.

A motion to adjourn at 6:24 p.m. was made by Councilmember Watts with a second by Councilmember C. Bolen.  
Ayes: all, Nays: none.

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City Clerk

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Mayor