February 3rd 2025 Davenport City Council Meeting

Present: Mayor Lotzer, Aldermen Leslie, Hanson, Beauclair, Auditor Roster, City maintenance, Steve Hans. Not present Alderman Gjestvang. Guests: Sheriff's Deputy Mike Bushaw. Kurt Lysene, Moore Engineering.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Lotzer at 7:009 pm. Pledge of Allegiance said.

Lysene gave an update on dike progress. Railroad has agreed to close rail lines for longer period of time to accomplish culvert work. We should be getting a FEMA letter in March prepping for final flood map. Moving forward.

Deputy Bushaw presented area activity report. Main concern is scams in the area. Impersonating Cass County Deputies with false failure to report for jury duty and request for payments. Law enforcement will never request money of any sort. Please hang up and contact CC Sheriffs dispatch immediately. Also be aware of marketplace and Craigslist scams.

Minutes were read. Motion to accept made by AldermanLeslie, seconded by Alderman Hanson, passed. Expense bills were presented for consent to pay. Motion made to pay made by Alderman Beauclair, seconded by Alderman Leslie, passed.

2/3/2025 Consent bills to be paid

Ottertail Power Co.	` 2647.42		
Cass Rural Water	1697.65		
Steve Hans	784.35		
Mark Roster	1745.59		
Carol Mitchell	236.03		
Fat Man Trash	1504.00		
City of Fargo	14.00		
MLGC	96.51		
City Utilities Office	74.50		
Cass county Reporter	70.42		
ND One Call	12.65		
Park Board	5711.54		
Cemetery Board	608.31		
K/D Airport Authority	81.11		
IRS 4th Qtr	2115.83 (PD)		
State Tax Comm 4th Qtr	129.27 (PD)		

Job Service 4th Qtr	6.39 (PD)
WSI for 2025	TBD
Bank of ND	5375.00
Davenport Post office	13.24
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Kindred True Value	10.48
Express Lane	39.00
Oscar Hanson	150.00
Titan Machinery	5869.74

OLD BUSINESS:

Auditor reported that contact has been made with new Apartment owners and new owners have been made aware that previous owner and the previous building managers have yet to pay for the November utility bill which was due Dec.25th, 2024.

After further investigation and discussion, it is determined by the City Council that any and all expenses up to and including the curb stop – which included digging- shall be the expense of the city. From the curb stop edge to the house, including entrance of water line into the house, the expense burden lies with the homeowner.

Alderman Hanson presented quote to add power plugin to 9 city light poles for lighted Christmas decoration. Alderman Beauclair gave a verbal quote form a connection he had. Discussion ensued. Both quotes were deemed to be uncomfortably high. No motion made – died.

Alderman Beauclair presented verbal quote for an annual service contract on pumphouse generator. Auditor has not heard back from Butler – will follow up with Butler.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor reported on findings for a company to handle online utility payments. GovCard seems to meet cities needs. The handling charge per month would be 3% on top of what is billed on Utility bill so city does not lose any finances. Discussion ensued. Motion made to accept upon satisfactory answers to several questions, Alderman Leslie. Seconded by Alderman Hanson, passed.

Motion to adjourn made by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Alderman Beauclair. Passed

Adjourned at 8:09

Next meeting, Monday March 3rd 2025, at 7pm, Community Center

Faithfully submitted: Mark Roster, Auditor