

**YATES CENTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 2, 2020**

Yates Center City Council met in regular session on Monday, November 2, 2020, at City Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Weber called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call as follows: Reser, Reed, Wiehn, Stewart, Spoon, Shaffer, and Morrison. Absent: Cathcard. Other city officials present included: City Attorney Brian Duncan and City Clerk Becky Boice.

**AGENDA AMENDED & APPROVED**

Reser removed discussion on flooring for City Hall from the agenda.

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Spoon, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

**MINUTES APPROVED**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Shaffer, to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2020, meeting as printed. Motion carried with Morrison abstaining.

**CITY ATTORNEY**

Duncan had nothing at this time.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS  
ADMINISTRATIVE  
CITY HALL REPAIR**

Following discussion, Reser tabled soliciting bids for repairs to the front of City Hall until the next meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Wiehn, to enter into a 10-minute executive session, in the council room, with the mayor and city attorney present, for the purpose of discussing confidential data relating to trade secrets. Motion carried unanimously.

Council entered into executive session at 7:15pm, to reconvene at 7:25pm.

Council reconvened at 7:25pm.



**FLOORING BIDS**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Morrison, to solicit bids for flooring (by brand and name) to match what has recently been installed in the kitchen. Sealed bids to be returned by 5:00pm, Friday, December 4. Motion carried unanimously.

**CASEY'S CMB APPLICATION**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Wiehn, to approve the 2021 Cereal Malt Beverage application for Casey's General Store. Motion carried unanimously.

**AUDIT ENGAGEMENT LETTER**


Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Wiehn, to authorize the mayor to sign the 2021 audit engagement letter with Jarred, Gilmore, and Phillips. Motion carried unanimously.

**BUDGET PREP ENGAGEMENT LETTER**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Wiehn, to authorize the mayor to sign the 2021 budget preparation engagement letter with Jarred, Gilmore, and Phillips. Motion carried unanimously.

**HEALTH INSIGHT RELEASE**

Duncan presented a Release of Mortgage between the City of Yates Center and Health Insight Fitness and Recreation, LLC.



Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Shaffer, to authorize the mayor to sign the Release of Mortgage for Health Insight Fitness and Recreation, LLC. Motion carried with Wiehn abstaining.

**SAFETY  
HOCKMAN RAISE**

Stewart announced that Police Officer Scott Hockman has completed his employment probation. Motion was made by Stewart, seconded by Reed, to raise Hockman's hourly wage by .50 an hour. Motion carried unanimously.

**CROWN VIC**

Stewart informed council that the police department's Crown Vic was now for sale on Purple Wave.

**PUBLIC WORKS  
WATER/SEWER RATE INCREASES**

Discussion was held on the annual rate increase for water and sewer charges. Spoon to have more figures at the next meeting.

**WILSON CO ENGINEERING**

Spoon presented a contract with Wilson & Company to provide assistance to the City in regards to coordination and reviewing drawings for the addition to Pete's, not to exceed \$1,500.00.

Motion was made by Spoon, seconded by Shaffer, to approve the contract with Wilson & Company as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**STEVE SLATER BILL**

A lengthy discussion was held on the bill sent to Steve Slater for damage to a water meter and line.

Motion was made by Spoon, seconded by Stewart, to resend the bill as previously sent. Motion failed with Spoon, Stewart, and Reser voting yes; Reed, Wiehn, Morrison, and Shaffer voting no.

Further discussion to be held when Public Works Director Eric Boone is in attendance.

**PARKS & PUBLIC LANDS  
RESTROOMS CLOSED**

Wiehn informed council that the restrooms at Delay Stadium and South Owl Lake are closed for the season.

**MAYOR COMMENTS**

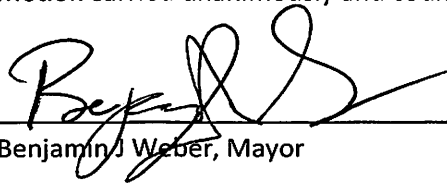
Weber had nothing at this time.

**CLAIMS & VOUCHERS**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Wiehn, to pay the claims and vouchers in the amount of \$193,817.20. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Wiehn, seconded by Reser, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and council adjourned at 8:10pm.



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Benjamin J Weber, Mayor

ATTEST:



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Wynona B Boice, City Clerk

Approved November 16, 2020