

City of Columbus  
Council Proceedings  
November 4, 2019

The regular meeting of the Columbus City Council was called to order by Mayor JoAnn Lunstad at 7:07 pm on November 4, 2019 at the Columbus Community Center.

Council members present: JoAnn Lunstad, David Ronning, Cindy Lautenschlager, Chris Kihle, and Amber Nygard

Employees present: Christine Aasheim and Raymond MacBeth

Guests Present: Valerie Post and Chris Hageman with Ackerman Estvold

**Motion by Ronning, second by Kihle to approve the Agenda. Motion carried.**

**Motion by Kihle, second by Lautenschlager to approve the October 7, 2019 minutes as read. Motion carried.**

Old Business:

- Ackerman Estvold – SRF Loan Update – submitted information for placement on list.
- First District Health Notices – Tabled
- Meter Install at the Park – Tabled
- Playground – Received \$2,500 award from Kenmare Veterans Club
- Equipment update – Skid steer was delivered on November 1st.

New Business:

- Bond Coverage – Motion by Nygard, second by Lautenschlager to renew bond for \$178,638.38. **Mayor Lunstad called for a vote: ayes: Ronning, Kihle, Nygard, Lautenschlager; nays: none. Motion carried.**
- Streetlights – MDU would like to begin removing lights that were taken out of commission, will be discussed further at the December meeting.
- Pictures – Class pictures will be moved to storage in the Community Center until a final decision is made on how to restore and display them.
- Christmas Lights – Raymond will repair current lights and new lights will be considered after this holiday season.
- Sewer Lines – sewer issues at Wilson Remlinger's house on the corner of 5<sup>th</sup> and Robin may require City intervention as it appears there may be a blockage in the City's portion of the line. Follow up at the December meeting.

Maintenance Report – Raymond discussed maintenance issues and activities over the last month.

Auditor's Report:

- Bills to Pay – Bills were reviewed.
- Financial Reports – October financial reports were presented.
- Delinquent accounts – accounts 60+ days past due will be issued shut off notices.

**Motion by Kihle, second by Ronning to pay bills and approve financial reports as presented. Mayor Lunstad called for a vote: ayes: Ronning, Kihle, Nygard, Lautenschlager; nays: none. Motion carried.**

**Motion by Kihle, second by Nygard to adjourn meeting. Mayor Lunstad called for a vote. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned.

**Announcements:** Next regular meeting will be held December 9, 2019, 7:00pm at the Columbus Community Center.

Bills to pay: NCC 199.14, Avidity Tree Service 6,100.00, MDU 218.78, Raymond MacBeth 2,252.45, Christine Aasheim 2,113.91, EFTPS 921.36, BCBS 2,102.80, Northwest Rural Water 2,262.13, Verizon Wireless 244.73, Burke County Tribune 123.24, Circle Sanitation 1,407.00, First District Health Unit 25.00, Lignite Oil 390.91, Visa – Maintenance 116.62(Amazon 100.52, USPS 16.10), Visa – Auditor 943.88(USPS 462.90, Intuit 8.40, Amazon 472.58), TJD Service 732.00.

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Christine Aasheim  
City Auditor

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JoAnn Lunstad  
Mayor