

**City of Ida Grove  
City Council Meeting  
January 30, 2020 - Noon  
City Council Chambers**

Mayor Pro Tem, Gregor Ernst, called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m. with the following council members present: Jared Bogue, Jason Schable, Reynold McLead and Ryan Jordan. Mayor Devlun Whiteing was absent.

Motion by Jordan to approve the agenda, second by McLead. On a unanimous vote, motion carried.

Wastewater Superintendent, Lucas Collins, was present to propose the fiscal year 2021 sewer budget to council. Collins explained the benefits of the City's membership with Iowa Rural Water Association. During discussion of the training expense line, Collins explained he currently holds a grade 2 license for wastewater. The potential upgrades to the plant would not require him to obtain a grade 3 license. The aging sewer plant has caused the repair/maintenance line of the budget to increase over the past few years, council discussed further increasing the line item this year to be more practical. Collins touched on some needed repairs to a sewer line on Court Street. The repair was approved in 2018, but the work was never completed. The company can fit the repair in their schedule this year and would like to get it on the books. Sweeden will add this to the agenda for the regular council meeting on Monday, February 3.

In other business, Ernst mentioned proposed changes the OABCIG school board have been discussing in regards to grade alike buildings. The possible change could mean 1-3 grade at Ida Grove Elementary and 4-8 grade in Odebolt with PreK and K maintained at each building. Another option discussed was PreK-3 in Ida Grove and 4-8 in Odebolt. Ernst suggests the council do their research on this topic.

Motion by Bogue to adjourn, second by Jordan. On a unanimous vote, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:08 p.m.

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Heather Sweeden, City Clerk

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Gregor Ernst, Mayor Pro Tem