

The first meeting of January for the Denver City Council, Bremer County, Iowa was held on Monday January 4, 2021 at the Denver City Hall Council Chambers. Council Members present were Sean Hartman, Mark Richmann, Joel Wikner, Matt Wittenburg. Councilman Gavin Carman was absent. There were two people in attendance.

Mayor Diercks called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Motion Hartman, second Wikner to Approve the Agenda with one deletion Agenda Item #8. AYES: Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

Motion Richmann, second Wittenburg to approve the Minutes of December 21, 2020 with one correction to change the Denver Police Department Budget Request from requesting a 2.50% wage increase to budgeting a 2.50% wage increase. AYES: Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

There was no Public Forum.

Motion Hartman, second Wikner to approve Resolution No. 1-2021 Mayor and Council Appointments for 2021. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1-2021**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS FOR 2021.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of Denver, Iowa.

The following persons are appointed to the following positions for 2021. These appointments are made in conformance with the Denver City Code that prescribes who the appointing authority is either the Mayor or City Council.

**2021 City of Denver Elected Officials**

Mayor	Rod Diercks
Mayor Pro-Tem	Joel Wikner
City Council Members	Gavin Carman, Sean Hartman, Mark Richmann, Joel Wikner, Matt Wittenburg

**Council Committee Members**

**Chairperson\***

Public Safety:	Sean Hartman*	Joel Wikner
Public Works, Health, Social Service:	Joel Wikner*	Matt Wittenburg
Culture & Recreation:	Matt Wittenburg*	Gavin Carman
Personnel:	Gavin Carman*	Mark Richmann
Finance / General Government:	Mark Richmann*	Sean Hartman

**2021 City of Denver Appointments**

Mayor Pro-Tem	Joel Wikner	
City Clerk / Administrator	Larry Farley	
Chief of Police	Gary Everding Jr.	
Electric Superintendent	Larry Zars	
Streets/Parks Superintendent	Brent Platte	
Water/Sewer Superintendent	Keith Kuentling	
Librarian	Kelly Platte	
Public Health Officer	Amber Heller	
Fire Chief	Todd Seelhammer	
Ambulance Chief	Amber Heller	
City Attorney	Pat Dillon	
City Engineer	Firm: AECOM	Engineer: Mark Durbahn
Arborist	Gene Leonhart	
Official City Newspaper	Denver Forum	
City Electrician July 1, 2021	Firm: New Age Electric	Electrician: Jeremy McPherson

**Mayor Appointed Boards with City Council Approval**

**Planning & Zoning**

5 yr John Bartling  
 4 yr Gene Leonhart  
 3 yr Dave Haugen  
 2 yr Kevin Thurm\*Chairman  
 1 yr Randy Thurm\*Vice Chair

**Board of Adjustments**

5 yr Corey Arians  
 4 yr Kyle Durant  
 3 yr Beth Hartman  
 2 yr Matt McCallum  
 1 yr Lyle Faust

**Park & Recreation**

David Beaumont  
 Kaitlin Beaumont  
 Jamie Leonhart  
 Kristi Schollenbarger  
 Darcy Wittenburg-Chairwoman

**Department Appointments**

**Library Trustees**

Barb Joblinske  
 Kelly Kirchoff\*  
 Becky Miller  
 Cheryl Moeller  
 Mary Neuendorf  
 Craig Rash  
 Sandy Sabelka

**Denver Ambulance**

Crew Chief – Amber Heller  
 Maintenance – Josh Heller

**Denver Fire**

Chief- Todd Seelhammer  
 Asst Chief-Mike Buss  
 Captain-Chris Klinghammer  
 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant-Dave Leonhart  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant- Vacant

**Tree Board**

Duane Boehmke  
 Jim Franzen  
 Mandy Gesme  
 Art Kurtt  
 Gene Leonhart\*

Treasurer-Keith Oltrogge  
Secretary-James Knoll

Scott Stout  
Alton Midthus  
Dennis Thurm  
Josh Jensen

**Bremer County Comm. Foundation**      Judy Tripolino  
**Bremer County E911 Board**                Gary Everding Rod Diercks  
**Black Hawk County E911 Board**        Rod Diercks    Teresa Diercks

\*Denotes Chairperson

Ambulance Crew Chief Amber Heller presented the Year in Review for the Denver Ambulance Service. There were 253 recorded ambulance service calls, 210 were Medical related, 43 Trauma related, 13 COVID-19 Cases and 22 Standbys. The destination for patients was Allen Hospital 83%, Waverly Hospital 11.50%, Mercy-One Waterloo 5% and Sartori Hospital <1%. Calls to assist Waverly continues to increase, average response time in minutes was 5.9 minutes. The busiest day of the week is Wednesday and the busiest times are lunch and supper.

There were twelve applicants for the Electric Lineworker Position. The Council directed the Personnel Committee to begin the interview process.

Motion Richmann, second Wittenburg to approve the Bills Presented for Payment for January 4, 2021. AYES: Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

**Bills Presented for Payment for January 4, 2021**

411 Iowa St. LLC	Permanent Easement	\$	1,029.60
Aaron Burke & Whitney Johnson	Permanent Easement	\$	826.65
ACCO	Chlorine	\$	1,128.00
ACES	LTC Platinum Agreement & Backup	\$	2,805.00
Adam K. Thurm	Permanent Easement	\$	2,059.20
AECOM	Engineering Services	\$	586.44
Aflac	Employee Insurance	\$	1,119.54
Allen Occupational Health	Police Physical	\$	244.00
Alton & Sharon Midthus	Permanent Easement	\$	2,029.50
Amber Heller	Ranger Hardware	\$	48.14
Angela Matthias	Permanent Easement	\$	509.85
Baker & Taylor	Books	\$	534.64
Barnes & Noble	Purchases with Donations	\$	128.72
Bernice L. Buls	Permanent Easement	\$	864.00
Black Hawk Rental	Repairs	\$	380.00
Black Hawk Waste	Garbage	\$	8,464.00
BMC Aggregates	Roadstone & Concrete Sand	\$	411.23
Bound Tree Medical	Patient Care	\$	138.98

Bremer County Recorder	Recording Iowa St. Permanent Easements	\$	266.00
Brothers Market	Misc. Supplies	\$	92.92
Brothers Market	Utility Refund	\$	2,861.54
Bryan Schafer	Permanent Easement	\$	864.00
Cengage	Books	\$	65.07
Center Point Large Print	Books	\$	27.71
Charles & Jennifer Kopf	Permanent Easement	\$	1,645.75
Chad Widdel	ATV Battery	\$	130.95
Charlene Schneider	Community Room Rent & Deposit Refund	\$	250.00
City Laundering	Mats	\$	267.15
Continental Research Corp	Park Restroom Maintenance	\$	368.59
Crescent Electric	Electric Materials	\$	269.27
Creekview Villa	Permanent Easement	\$	1,980.00
Dan Minikus	Community Room Deposit Refund	\$	75.00
David & Kaitlin Beaumont	Permanent Easement	\$	777.15
David & Tamara Cashman	Permanent Easement	\$	1,029.60
Davis Farm & Auto	Auto Repair	\$	42.50
Debra Beaumont	Community Room Deposit Refund	\$	75.00
Demco	Misc. Supplies	\$	492.55
Dennis & Latricia Kurtz	Permanent Easement	\$	744.00
Denver Ambulance Service	Crew Events	\$	1,500.00
Denver Postmaster	Dec Billing & Stamps	\$	444.58
Denver Sunset Home	Permanent Easement	\$	990.00
Dick & Judy Buss	Building Permit Refund	\$	1,826.92
Don's Truck Sales	Snow Plow Repair	\$	434.08
EFTPS	Fed/FICA Tax	\$	13,154.02
Emmy Hoffman	Utilities Deposit Refund	\$	88.15
Enviro-Care	Operating Supplies	\$	1,874.42
Eric & Emily Huff	Permanent Easement	\$	870.75
Eric & Rachel Zwanziger	Permanent Easement	\$	1,532.25
Ernest C. Haskins Lf. Est	Permanent Easement	\$	1,069.20
Eurofins	Water Analysis	\$	927.75
Farmers Win Coop	Gas & Propane	\$	2,268.07
Gary Westendorf	Utilities Deposit Refund	\$	150.00
Gordon Dorn	Permanent Easement	\$	4.95
Grainger	Sewer Materials	\$	255.53
Health Equity	HSA & HRA Contributions	\$	2,053.14
ICMA Retirement Corp	Retirement Contribution	\$	2,993.61
Impact Marketing	Web Host	\$	420.00
Ingram	Books	\$	309.04
Iowa Law Enforcement Academy	Psychological Test	\$	150.00
Iowa Payroll W/H	State Withholding Tax	\$	2,266.00
Iowa Workforce Development	Iowa Unemployment	\$	34.91

IPERS	Retirement Contribution	\$	8,458.22
Irby	Electric Materials	\$	2,143.50
James & Sheryl Moeller	Permanent Easement	\$	744.60
James Stanbrough	Community Room Rent & Deposit Refund	\$	175.00
Jeffery H. Barkau	Permanent Easement	\$	864.00
Jillian Brown	Utilities Deposit Refund	\$	250.00
Jori Jacobsen & Anthony Soteris	Permanent Easement	\$	2,059.20
Josh & Sarah Jensen	Permanent Easement	\$	2,059.20
Karen Gaede	Permanent Easement	\$	613.80
Krivachek Janitorial	Building Maintenance	\$	109.51
Kwik Star	Gas	\$	126.33
Lance & Amanda Dewein	Permanent Easement	\$	881.10
Larry Farley	Mileage	\$	12.65
Linda Hackman	Permanent Easement	\$	1,029.60
Mary Olson	Community Room Deposit Refund	\$	75.00
Matt Parrott	Misc. Supplies	\$	76.36
Matthew Eick	Permanent Easement	\$	801.00
MEAN	Wholesale	\$	82,456.54
Melodie Foelske	Community Room Deposit Refund	\$	75.00
Menards	Electric Materials	\$	21.95
Mercy One	Amb-Patient Care	\$	125.73
Michael & Janice Weber	Permanent Easement	\$	1,029.60
Micro Marketing	Books/DVDs	\$	356.77
MidAmerican Energy	Elec/Gas	\$	2,011.04
Nathan & Heather Asmus	Permanent Easement	\$	2,059.20
One Solution	Library Equipment	\$	4,874.00
Oriental Trading	Programming	\$	55.76
Our Iowa	Magazines	\$	19.98
Pamela Wolter	Permanent Easement	\$	881.10
Pat & Mindy Giesler	Building Permit Refund	\$	1,826.92
PCC	Amb-November Billing	\$	78.40
People Magazine	Magazines	\$	118.26
Premier Technology	Technology	\$	60.00
Ramsey Bark & Elizabeth Appel	Permanent Easement	\$	485.10
Randy Buss	Permanent Easement	\$	1,029.60
Russell & Heather Dolan	Permanent Easement	\$	791.12
Sandee's	Name Plate Printing	\$	100.90
Sharon Kay King	Permanent Easement	\$	1,237.50
Shaun & Kelly Sanders	Permanent Easement	\$	613.80
St. Paul's United Church of Christ	Permanent Easement	\$	524.70
Steve & Carol Moon	Permanent Easement	\$	1,362.00
Stivers Ford Lincoln	Police Car Fee	\$	250.00
Superior Welding	Amb-Oxygen	\$	127.57

The Hartford	Employee Group Life	\$	303.77
Treasurer State of Iowa	Electric Use Tax	\$	236.00
Treasurer State of Iowa	Sales Tax Reimbursement	\$	3,151.00
Tyler & Melanie Honn	Permanent Easement	\$	579.54
Iowa Treasurer	Water Excise Tax	\$	1,050.00
US Cellular	Cell Phone	\$	451.44
USA Blue Book	Sewer Materials	\$	121.80
Van Wert	Electrical Materials	\$	3,978.02
Verner & Carol Jaschen	Permanent Easement	\$	864.00
Visa	Ambulance Office Supplies	\$	213.98
Visa	Library Purchase with Donations	\$	160.39
Weber Paper Co	Latex Gloves	\$	171.00
Wellmark BCBS	Employee Insurance	\$	4,896.34
Wilfred & Janet Miller	Permanent Easement	\$	1,448.26
William Corley	Utilities Deposit Refund	\$	150.00
William Westendorf	Utilities Deposit Refund	\$	150.00
Zoll Medical	Maintenance	\$	510.00
Payroll Checks	12/4 & 12/8 Payroll	\$	39,101.37
	Total	\$	251,838.13

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The Council discussed separating the Golf Cart/UTV Ordinance into two separate Ordinances. The Golf Cart Ordinance will remain essentially the same and include an age restriction and the UTV Ordinance will follow the Bremer County UTV Ordinance and be able to drive on State Street and Fayette Street.

The Council discussed COVID-19 and Mayor Diercks stated that everyone should do the best we can to protect our employees and their families.

In Other Business Councilman Richmann asked why the City hasn't been calling Snow Emergencies so the plows don't have to go back out and plow the streets after cars are moved. Council members felt there were more cars left parked on the street than during previous snow storms. For the next snow storm, a notice will be posted on Facebook that if there isn't better cooperation for removing cars off the streets a Snow Emergency will be called.

Motion Richmann, second Hartman to adjourn. AYES: Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None. The City Council Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Rod Diercks, Mayor

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Larry Farley, City Clerk/Admin.