

Call to Order: Mayor Hart called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with roll call and pledge of allegiance.

Council Attendance: Kinkead, Kuehl-Berns, Staake, Brandel, Holm in attendance.

Motion by Kinkead, second by Staake to approve the consent agenda, including the agenda, minutes from 4/17/2023 and bills and claims from 4/18/23 to 5/22/23. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

	REVENUES	EXPENDITURES
GENERAL	\$15,573.32	\$2,417.79
CEMETERY		
ROAD USE TAX	\$325.56	
LOCAL OPTION TAX	\$343.45	
WATER	\$8,875.07	\$3,430.81
TOTAL	\$25,117.40	\$5,848.60

Name	Memo	Fund	Amount
The following were paid per Resolution #2017-9 authorizing the payment of claims by electronic funds transfer:			
IPERS	Iowa Retirement	GW	39.33
The following were paid per Resolution #2016-4 authorizing the payment of claims prior to Council approval:			
People Services	May Srvs, Postage	W	2514.00
The following bills presented for payment:			
Robert Creery	5 weeks at \$50/wk=\$250.00	W	215.15
Allamakee- Clayton Electric Cooperative	Electric	GW	590.92
Hawkeye Sanitation, Inc.	Monthly Garbage/Recycling	G	543.30
Blume, Jamie	12 hrs@40=\$480.00	GW	480.00
Meuser Lumber	Lumber	G	112.80
Hart, Dave	Reimb. Fuel, cold patch, flag repairs, etc	G	586.94
Microbac Labs	Water testing	W	35.50
Alpine Communications	Phone & Internet Service	GW	91.33
Peoples Services	June Srvs, Postage, Line repair, Line locates	W	2,613.40
The Times Register	Help Wanted Ad	GW	100.00
Mick Frye	Flood preparation & clean-up	G	1990.72
			<u>7,360.06</u>

Council discussed Quickbooks program. Service ends May 31, 2023 and the program is recommending an online version with monthly fees. Will research and provide additional info at next meeting.

Council reviewed solar panel ordinance prepared by city attorney. Staake made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance #107. Holm seconded. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Council discussed clerk appointment. Kinkead made a motion to appoint Lisa Baych, starting at \$18.00/hour with a 3 month review to consider increasing to \$19.00/hour. Kuehl-Berns seconded. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Council discussed the date of the June meeting and will postpone it until June 26th to allow Lisa to join.

Council discussed fireworks donation from the city. Kinkead made a motion to provide \$1,000 toward the fireworks display from the FY24 budget. Staake seconded. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Council discussed DNR requirement to control land 200 feet around water plant and potential land purchase. Property pins were set and can be viewed by all council members. An asking price needs to be obtained.

Council discussed Siegwarth's offer and the appraisal process for the property purchase. City property sales in the past have not required an appraisal and council would like to review their policy to possibly remove this requirement for future sales. The appraisal for this property has already begun, so it will be completed.

Council heard from Chris Youngblut regarding water issues. Chris would like a culvert installed in the dike by his property for drainage. There was a question raised as to if the CORP installed the dike and would need to grant permission.

Culvert replacement abutting railroad property was discussed. Jeff Friedlein offered a suggestion on repairs and will prepare a quote for those repairs by the June council meeting.

Council considered a building permit application from Gary and Cathy Staake to add a 10' x 30' deck to the back of their house. Kinkead made a motion to approve the permit. Brandel seconded. Roll call vote, four ayes, Staake abstained, motion carried.

Mayor's Report: Railroad upgrades will begin Tuesday, May 23rd and the crossing will be completed Wednesday. Please prepare for the crossing to be closed for a couple of days.

Motion by Brandel, second by Kinkead to adjourn meeting @ 6:51PM. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Next regular meeting will be June 26, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

ATTEST:

Dave Hart, Mayor

Jamie Blume, Temp. City Clerk