

Regular Meeting
Minutes

City of Clayton, Iowa
Council Chambers

July 19, 2021
6:00 P.M.

Call to Order: Mayor Basemann called the meeting to order with roll call at 6:00PM.

Council Attendance: Grunder, Kuehl, Schultz, Staake, Youngblut

Others Present: Clerk Basemann

Motion by Staake, second by Kuehl to approve the consent agenda to include the agenda, minutes from 6-14-21 & 6-21-21 meetings, bills and claims from 6/22/21 – 7-19-21, June Treasurer and Budget reports, and Clerk activity report. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

	Revenues	Expenditures
General Fund	\$ 2,877.52	\$ 5,299.59
Cemetery		\$ 1,072.87
Road Use Tax	\$ 402.48	
Local Options Tax	\$ 331.38	
Water	\$ 779.08	\$ 1,686.72
Total	\$ 4,390.46	\$ 8,059.18

Bills and claims from June 22 - July 19, 2021		Fund	Amount
IPERS	Iowa Retirement	GW	\$208.66
Iowa Dept of Revenue	2nd Qtr Water Excise Tax	W	475.20
Iowa Dept of Revenue	2nd Qtr Withholding Tax	W	3.00
Internal Revenue Service	2nd Qtr Payroll Tax Due	GW	589.08
ACREC	Electric	GW	500.77
Alpine Communications	Telephone	GW	87.69
Bonnie Basemann	18.75 Hrs @ \$14, Zoom	GW	375.82
Robert Creery	4 weeks x \$50 = \$200 gross	W	172.12
Brandel Lawn & Landscape, LLC	mowing 6/2,6/16,6/30	GW	450.00
Clayton County Recorder	Lot A Main St - Recording Fee	G	69.00
Hawkeye Electric	Annual Generator Maintenance	W	285.00
Hawkeye Sanitation, Inc.	Solid Waste Contract	GW	1,326.40
Hawkins, Inc	Water Chemicals	W	45.24
Iowa DNR	Annual Water Supply Fee	W	25.00
Keystone Laboratories, Inc	Water Testing	W	12.80
Max Basemann	Dehumidifier - Pumphouse	W	154.00
US Postal Service	Postage	GW	55.00
Peoples Services	July & August Monthly Services	W	5,308.00
Total Bills & Claims			\$10,142.78

Council reviewed a request from Mick Frye/Catrina Suomala expand his shed to store his bobcat. Motion by Grunder, second by Schultz to approve the permit as submitted. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

City Hall told Grunder that a permit was not needed to replace a deck if there were no changes to the building footprint. After City Hall received inquiries that the project was larger than the original, the project was placed on the agenda, and Grunder was given a building permit application. Grunder submitted a letter at the meeting from the contractor stating the project was under a different permit but was not completed for health reasons.

Grunder was asked when her permit was issued, but she was not sure and being this was presented at the meeting, the clerk was not able to research past permits. No council action taken.

Council reviewed average water expenses from the last 2 years as background for discussion about potential water rate increases. Youngblut stated that Garnavillo is still interested in conversations about working together and suggested a committee be formed. There was also discussion that if another person was trained to perform daily tests, the contract with PeopleService could be renegotiated. The last water rate increase was in 2015. Water revenue has decreased the last few years from home removal and discounts. No committee was formed at this time. After discussion, motion by Grunder, second by Staake to approve Resolution 2021-09 to set a public hearing for August 16th, 2021 at 6:00PM for public input on a proposed change to Code of Ordinances Section 92.02 with proposed water rates of:

1. Residential Premises - \$35.00 (current \$30.00) per month, paid quarterly.
2. Nonresidential Customers - \$105.00 (current \$90.00) per month, paid quarterly.
3. Owner-Occupied Nonresidential Customer - \$105.00 (current \$90.00) per month paid quarterly.

Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Council reviewed staff wages. Bob Creery has not had a wage increase since 2013. His schedule changed with PeopleService and he is now working 2 days/week and holidays. Clerk wage has been \$14/hr since 2017, and prior to that, the clerks had been paid a monthly fee of \$400 since 2012. After discussion, motion by Youngblut, second by Schultz to approve Resolution 2021-10 establishing wages for FY 21-22 of Creery at \$50/week and BBasemann at \$16/hr. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Mayor had reports of excessive speeding on North Front Street. He will work to get a speed limit sign installed, but encourages everyone to follow the 20MPH limit in all areas of town.

Motion by Youngblut, second by Schultz to adjourn at 6:41 PM. All ayes, motion carried.

Next regular meeting will be August 16, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.

ATTEST:

Max Basemann, Mayor

Bonnie Basemann, City Clerk