

Minutes of the regular council meeting held June 10, 2024, at 6:00pm. Present council members Rachel Teel-Vanderpool, Austin Miller, Sean Roman, Trent Adams, and Mary Moore. Mayor Sally Rodriguez, Public Works Director Josh Ferkel, Police Chief TJ Behning, Fire Chief Doug Anderson (excused), Engineer Mike Janecek, Attorney William McCullough (excused), and City Clerk Tanna Leonard were present as well.

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Rodriguez.

Pledge of Allegiance

Consent Agenda

Motion by Teel-Vanderpool and seconded by Adams to approve the consent agenda, carried unanimously.

Public Input

No public input

Muriel Weeks stated that she was representing her brother Donovan Aaron's who was issued an invoice for \$350.00 for mowing his property. She explained that the process for notification didn't seem fair as the notice is only published in the quad city times and most people do not even receive the publication. She also noted that some of the city property is not properly mowed and in violation of code. She explained that they had medical issues going on and that if they had notification, they would have known to address the issue. Since the city did go in and do the work, they understand that they would be responsible to pay something the request was to reduce the amount to \$100.

Motion by Trent and seconded by Sean Roman to reduce the amount due to \$150.00 motion carries with Teel-Vanderpool voting no.

Project update Mike Janecek

Mike updated the City Council that the hydrant project was completed, and that Dodge St. had the final pay request on the agenda, The streetscape project was ready to submit to idiot for comment and review and that they had also spent time reviewing a plat of subdivision rezoning for Bob Kautz.

Buffalo Day and Liquor License

Buffalo day and liquor license application clerk reported that she had a memo with details regarding the event and just needed approval for the liquor license.

Motion by Adams and seconded by Roman to approve the liquor license for Buffalo days. Motion carries unanimously.

Bandshell reservations

The council discussed that the park board wanted to create a form for events utilizing the band shelter at the park. The clerk suggested that they use the existing special events form that had already been approved by the attorney and our insurance company with adequate information holding the city harmless in litigation. The council explained that the park board could go ahead and create a new form for the bandstand events. Motion by Adams and seconded by Moore to table the discussion until the Park Board provided them with their form. Motion carried unanimously.

Pay Request Number Four

Mike Janecek explained that this would be the final pay request for Taylor Ridge paving for the Dodge St. overlay project. The final payment amount is \$4,336.56.

Motion by Teel- Vanderpool to approve the final payment of \$4,336.56 to Taylor Ridge paving, seconded by Roman. Motion carries unanimously.

Movie in the park event

The city clerk explained that Community Development wanted permission to host three movies in the park this summer. The movies were \$395 each for licensing and they had generous donations from Republic Services, Linwood Mining and Mineral, and Assured Partners. The committee is looking for approval for the upfront expense in the amount of \$1,185 to host the event.

Motion by Roman and seconded by Teel-Vanderpool to approve the movies in the park expenditures. Motion carried unanimously.

Boat dock

Adams reported that Community Development has been discussing creating a new boat access and amenity location at the Maple Street crossing on the beach. He reported that during the discussion it was noted about the status of Maple Street crossing and whether it could be utilized as a public crossing. The city clerk provided documentation for when the crossing was installed and the agreement with the railroad. After discussion the council concurred that Mayor Rodriguez would reach out to the contacts at the railroad and if necessary, our local representatives.

Park lease agreement

The clerk reported that she worked with the Land Management company to include language where the city could collect charges for the park usage to utilize towards park upgrades and maintenance.

Motion by Adams and seconded by Moore to approve the new five-year lease agreement for the Terry Adams Memorial Park.

Property tax abatement

The clerk explained that community development had asked to receive information regarding programs to incentivize development and revitalization within the community. The clerk said she had had conversations with Dorsey and Whitney to review these programs. It is recommended to begin with a property tax abatement program tailored to the needs that the council decides.

Motion by Roman and seconded by Teel-Vanderpool to approve the expenditure from Community Development.

Tony Follis Event

The clerk said there was an event application included in the packet for the event that Tony Follis was having. Tony Follis was not present to answer any questions.

Motion by Miller and seconded by Teel-Vanderpool to table the event until the questions can be answered. Motion carries unanimously.

Tabled items

Fire Department Parking Lot

Motion by Adams and seconded by Teel-Vanderpool to take the fire department parking lot from the table for discussion period motion carries unanimously.

Mayor Rodriguez asked if there was any new information regarding the project. Josh Ferkel said he did not have any updates until the new budget.

Motion by Miller and seconded by Teel-Vanderpool to table the fire department parking lot. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance increasing waste pickup charges for residents on utility bills.

The clerk explained that the charges for waste pickup were provided after the budget was prepared and that the council would need to increase individual utility bills to a minimum of \$3.46 to cover the increase per month per pick up. At the last solid waste committee meeting Miller suggested adding the full amount per household pickup to the utility bill and allowing additional levied funds to be utilized for other projects instead of trash pickup. The council would need to determine if they wanted to increase any more than the minimum to meet the budget.

Motion by Miller and seconded by Rachel Teel-Vanderpool to increase the monthly utility bills \$3.46 to cover the increase garbage pickup. Motion carries unanimously.

Resolutions

2024-26 Local Option Sales Tax Transfer

Motion by Roman and seconded by Adams to approve resolution 2024-26 authorizing fund transfers. Motion carried unanimously.

2024-27 Buffalo Day Event Approval

Motion by Adams and seconded by Teel-Vanderpool to approve resolution 2024-27 for special event requests of Buffalo Days. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee reports

Public works report

REF: Monthly Report for MAY 2024.

Drained water tower down for blasting and painting.

Fixed water main break at 708 4th street.

Painted shed at Rose Hill cemetery.

Removed large trees from beach.

Raked beaches before Memorial Day weekend.

Planted 2 trees that were donated to the city.

Replaced broken storm drain grate on Jefferson Street.

Power moped bac gym floor.

Replaced broken motor on clarifier rotating scrapper arm at WWTP.

Replaced 3 blown fuses on one of our high surface pumps at WTP.

Police report

911 hang-up: 2

Accident personal injury: 1

Accident property damage: 1
Alarms dash burglary: 2
Animal problems: 8
Assist other agencies: 11
New line Business slash resident check: 39
Damage/vandalism/mischief:1
Disturbance: 11
Domestic Disturbance /violence: 2
Harassment / stalking / threat: 2
Mental / behavior disorder: 2
Missing / found person:1
Public service: 30
Suicidal person: 4
Suspicious: 10
Traffic Hazard: 17
Traffic Stop: 19
Traffic Violation / hazard: 1
Trespass / unwanted person: 2
Warrant service: 2
Welfare check: 4
Total: 172

Fire Department Report

We responded to 32 emergency calls in April,

We responded to: 21- EMS calls

3- structure fire

0- vehicle fire

2-grass fire

0- vehicle accident

1- boat rescue

5- miscellaneous calls

135- total emergency responses for 2024

Training: eight members spent thirty hours doing regular crew duties. Fifteen members spent two hours training on search and rescue.

Park Board

No updates

Finance Ordinance Committee

No updates

Community Development

No updates

Community Center

No updates

Ordinances

a. 568 Increasing Waste Pickup Charges for residents on utility bills - The council discussed the recent rate increases to utilities/property taxes, as well as how other cities pay for the waste pickup. Roman stated that he would like to see the data on how much the residents' utilities and property tax has gone up, prior to deciding. Motion by Adams to table until the council receives the info, seconded by Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

b. 569 Nuisances - Motion by Teel-Vanderpool to table this until after the ordinance committee reviews, seconded by Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

Cemetery

Roman mentioned that they were trying to get 150 Veteran's Markers placed by Memorial Day.

Future Meetings

- Regular Council meeting on July 08, 2024, at 6:00 pm.
- Community Center on June 12, 2024, at 5:00 pm.
- Community Development on June 17, 2024, at 6:00 pm.
- Ordinance Finance Committee on June 18, 2024, at 6:00 pm.

Adjourn

Motion by Moore, seconded by Adams to adjourn at 7:12 pm. Motion carried unanimously.



 Mayor, Sally Rodriguez



 Attest: City Clerk, Tanna Leonard

CLAIMS REPORT VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
7G DISTRIBUTING	Alcohol Purchase	533.75
7G DISTRIBUTING	alcohol	149.90
A & A AIR COND & REFRIG	Ice Machine Rental	210.00
AFLAC	Aflac	291.50

ALEX AIR APPARATUS INC	nozzle, ball shutoff, coupler	1,734.47
Altorfer Inc	skid steer repair, cover, plate	198.27
ASSURED PARTNERS	liability audit, work comp	3,558.00
Elan Financial Services	replacement refrigeration unit	4,380.16
Central States Funds	HEALTH INSUR.	15,235.20
Buffalo, City of	utilities	272.64
COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC	comprehensive plan	18.54
DECCO	locate park power	544.50
Double H" Entertainment "	Memorial Beach Party Bash	600.00
IRS	FED/FICA TAX	3,120.37
IRS	FED/FICA TAX	2,971.88
IRS	FED/FICA TAX	2,947.55
IRS	FED/FICA TAX	3,277.79
ERA	tests	455.82
Fletcher-Reinhardt Company	CROSSARMS & PEDESTALS	774.00
Hach Company	testing supplies	1,053.47
HAWKINS INC	chlorine bottle rent	110.00
IA CHILD SUPPORT Recovery Unit	CHILD SUPPORT	54.81
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IA IL TERMITE & PEST CONTROL	BAC bug treatment	178.00
Iowa Law Enforcement Academy	LEO in-service training	30.00
IPERS	POLICE IPERS	10,033.09
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MARTIN & WHITACRE	streetscape phase 1	6,168.35
McCullough, William	attorney fees	250.00
MEGHAN MARTIN	BAC cleaning	605.00
MENARDS - MUSCATINE	new light	147.86
METERING & TECHNOLOGY SOL	meter top plates	486.40
MID AMERICAN	sewer	1,593.35
MID AMERICAN	sewer	2,527.45
PS3 Enterprises Inc	handicap	314.50
QC Analytical Services	water operator	666.00
Quad City Times	proof of water quality report	258.20
R.P. LUMBER	Sawzall blades to cut trees	21.99
ROBERT MCCLELLAN	Beach party Karaoke DJ	200.00
Resale Power Group of Iowa	electricity	29,028.75
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SAFE BUILDING LLC	inspections	250.00
State Revolving Fund Iowa	bond payment	23,756.26
Treasurer, State Of Iowa	Sales Tax	859.34
Treasurer, State Of Iowa	Sales Tax	896.02

Treasurer, State Of Iowa	water sales tax	1,755.36
SCOTT COUNTY SHERIFF	booking fees	100.00
Treasurer, State Of Iowa	STATE TAXES	2,272.82
Treasurer, State Of Iowa	Unclaimed Property	85.43
Treasurer, State Of Iowa	STATE TAXES	2,358.25
TC AUTO	2023 F150 oil change	69.60
THE DASCHER COMPANY	appraisal water & waste water	4,500.00
THE PRINTING STORE	golf cart, abandoned vehicle	125.50
UMB BANK, N.A.	fees for bonds	300.00
Uniform Den	pullover Jay Wilson	277.49
VAN WERT COMPANY	2' meter	1,388.67
VERIZON	phones laptops	460.46
Visa	flood pump tenders	224.13
WEX BANK	fuel	3,445.58
WINSOR GROUP CONSULTING	3 phase deposit refund	625.98

General Fund	37,893.85
Buffalo Days	544.50
COMMUNITY CENTER	1,816.08
Road Use Tax Fund	1,850.72
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	5,374.00
2024 Bond Proceeds	300.00
Water Utility Fund	8,877.25
Sewer Utility Fund	16,572.52
Electric Utility Fund	74,709.99
Storm Water Utility Fund	2.02
TOTAL FUNDS	147,940.93

Revenues March

General Fund	\$102,506.80
Community Center	\$2,011.45
Road Use Tax Fund	\$9,588.74
Employee Benefit Fund	\$3,306.51
Community Development	\$5,038.49
Debt Service Fund	\$538.15
Perpetual Care Fund	\$342.37
Water Utility Fund	\$17,478.76
Sewer Utility Fund	\$19,258.54
Electric Utility Fund	\$49,874.06
Storm Water Utility Fund	\$991.96

Revenues April

General Fund \$346,930.50
Community Center \$7,025.33
Road Use Tax Fund \$13,425.90
Employee Benefit Fund \$60,284.24
Local Option Sales Tax \$20,066.10
Community Development \$7,138.63
Debt Service \$9,811.62
Water Utility \$20,040.57
Sewer Utility \$16,546.98
Electric Utility \$53,904.81
Storm Water Utility \$574.10