

February 5, 2020

Mayor Flatness called to order the regular meeting of the Rockwell City Council at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 5, 2020. All Council members were present. Also present were Dick Fridley, Scott Huntbatch, Stacy Tompkins, Sander Tompkins, Addison Wentz, Tom Hensley, Jay Siefken and Chief Whitney.

Worley moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as written. Motion seconded by Wentz, carried unanimously.

The following bills were presented for approval:

PUBLIC SAFETY

Electronic Engineering.....	Monthly Service.....	\$ 9.90
Tritech Software Systems	Software	\$ 131.00
US Cellular.....	Police Phone.....	\$ 100.78
Don's Auto Service.....	Police Car.....	\$ 46.10
Rockwell Coop Telephone Assn.....	Monthly billing	\$ 89.13
Wellmark Blue Cross.....	Monthly premium health insurance ...\$	2390.03
Dearborn Group	Life Insurance	\$ 34.80
Stop and Shop	Gas	\$ 229.81
Total Public Safety.....		\$ 3031.55

PUBLIC WORKS

Mid American Energy.....	Monthly billing	\$ 1798.94
Stop and Shop	Gas	\$ 169.35
Absolute Waste Removal.....	Monthly Billing.....	\$ 5057.20
Fastenal	Supplies.....	\$ 13.98
Menards.....	Supplies/Shop furnace	\$ 188.75
M&N Heating and Cooling.....	Shop furnace	\$ 1995.00
Plumb Supply.....	Supplies.....	\$ 116.92
Five Star	Supplies.....	\$ 9.61
Jay Siefken.....	Cell Phone	\$ 30.00
Tom Hensley	Cell Phone	\$ 30.00
Total Public Works		\$ 9409.75

ROAD USE

Wellmark Blue Cross	Monthly premium health insurance ...\$	5736.11
Stop and Shop	Gas	\$ 766.22
Floyd & Leonard.....	Plow	\$ 61.90
Titan Machinery.....	Case Tractor	\$ 1861.60
North Iowa Sand & Gravel	Sand/Salt	\$ 2375.94
Total Road Use		\$ 10801.77

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Mid American Energy.....	Monthly billing	\$ 31.93
Rockwell Public Library	Monthly payment	\$ 3833.33
Community and Economic Development		\$ 3865.23

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Rockwell Coop Telephone Assn.....	Monthly billing	\$ 42.65
Mid American Energy.....	Monthly billing	\$ 635.37
Dearborn Group	Life Insurance	\$ 34.80
Mid-America Publishing.....	Publications.....	\$ 125.72

Counsel	Copier/Usage.....	\$ 44.91
Hewett Wholesale	CC Supplies	\$ 246.80
Total General Government		\$ 1130.25

BUSINESS UTILITY WATER

Rockwell Coop Telephone Assn.....	Monthly billing	\$ 63.95
Mid American Energy.....	Monthly billing	\$ 474.81
Dearborn Group	Life Insurance	\$ 69.60
Stop and Shop	Ice/Samples	\$ 4.00
NuWay-K&H.....	Fuel	\$ 290.20
Iowa One Call	Locates	\$ 9.10
Midwest Pipe Supply	Supplies.....	\$ 99.00
Hawkins, Inc	Chemicals.....	\$ 5.00
Postmaster	Water Bills	\$ 141.75
Total Business Utility Water.....		\$ 1157.41

BUSINESS UTILITY SEWER

O'Reilly.....	Supplies/Jetter	\$ 22.68
Total Business Utility Sewer		\$ 22.68

Gauley moved to approve the bills as presented with the Martin Marietta bill being removed. Motion seconded by Koob, carried unanimously.

January Receipts: General \$8920.79; Road Use \$14511.49; Water Utility \$8030.19; Sewer Utility \$4954.30; Local Option \$13737.55; Debt Service \$432.83; Storm Water \$2063.89; TIF \$94.90

Scott Huntbatch, on behalf of Huntbatch Insurance, was present to present a dividend check on behalf of the Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities safety group insurance program. Mayor and Council thanked Huntbatch for his service to the Community as he left the meeting.

Mayor Flatness presented Resolution 2020-3 setting the date for public hearing on proposal to enter into a General Obligation Refunding Loan Agreement and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$655,000, setting the date for the sale of General Obligation Corporate Purpose and Refunding Bonds, Series 2020 and authorizing the use of a preliminary official statement in connection therewith. Wentz moved to set the public hearing at 7:05 p.m. on February 19, 2020. Motion seconded by Koob. Mayor Flatness took roll call vote, Ayes: Koob, Meyer, Wentz, Gauley and Worley.

Worley moved to adopt Resolution 2020-3. Motion seconded by Gauley. Mayor Flatness took roll call vote, Ayes: Koob, Meyer, Wentz, Gauley and Worley.

Mayor Flatness stated the bond sale will be on February 19th.

Siefken stated that FEMA will be providing an ordinance to allow for the changes of the floodplain in the FEMA maps for Rockwell. Mayor Flatness noted that there are no residents directly affected by the floodplain changes.

Mayor Flatness reported on the change in the personnel policy with allowing five weeks of vacation, with his research showing several communities that do give five weeks. Gauley had also called a few communities and they capped out at four weeks. Koob felt

that with the option of comp time that an additional week can be obtained and with a small department if someone takes a long term vacation will we be able to work around this. Meyer asked to table this until another meeting to consider wording in the policy to be reviewed. Wentz seconded, carried unanimously.

Mayor Flatness stated that we have been working on the 2020-2021 budget and will be ready to present this at the next meeting. Weier noted the new form with the budget allowing for the proposed property tax levy will need to be approved with a public hearing. Worley moved to set a public hearing for February 19, 2020 at 8:00 p.m. Motion seconded by Koob, carried unanimously.

Siefken noted that he has a bid to repair the door on the pickup for \$518.00 at Star Auto Body. Council agreed to have the pickup repair done.

Wentz asked to have Chief Whitney check on a nuisance property with cars parking close to the street. Mayor Flatness noted he will be attending a meeting with the County Treasurer hosting a presentation with an Attorney discussing nuisance properties.

Mayor Flatness stated he is going to host a meeting next week for the small town Mayors to interact and discuss community issues.

Koob reported that they fundraiser at Taco John's raised \$427.30 for the playground.

Worley noted he has had contacts looking to put a float in the 150th celebration parade. Gauley stated the parade will start at 9:30 anyone interested can contact them. Meyer noted the fire department will get some information to announce the band and street dance.

Mayor Flatness acknowledged the visitors present. Sander Tompkins stated he is working for his citizenship in the community scout badge.

Mayor Flatness noted he has looked at pickups to replace the red pickup.

Koob asked about having a spring cleanup. Siefken will contact Absolute Waste Removal.

With no further business, Koob moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Meyer, carried unanimously.

Michael Flatness, Mayor

Lorna Weier, City Clerk