

February 2, 2022

Mayor Wentz called to order the regular meeting of the Rockwell City Council at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 2, 2022. All Council members were present. Also present were Penny McCaslin, Zach Laudner and Jay Siefken.

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

The following bills were presented for approval:

PUBLIC SAFETY

Electronic Engineering.....	Monthly Service.....	\$
755.82		
Central Square.....	Software.....	\$
137.55		
T-Mobile.....	Monthly Internet Service.....	\$
50.00		
Galls.....	Police.....	\$
313.26		
Stellar Truck.....	Supplies.....	\$
269.84		
Stop and Shop.....	Gas.....	\$
740.81		
Rockwell Coop Telephone Assn.....	Monthly billing.....	\$
87.47		
Wellmark Blue Cross.....	Monthly Premium Health Insurance..	\$
1088.89		
Dearborn Group.....	Monthly Premium Life Insurance.....	\$
62.10		
Active 911.....	Subscription.....	\$
14.00		
Cody Brunstein.....	Cell Phone.....	\$
30.00		
Total Public Safety.....		\$
3549.74		

PUBLIC WORKS

Stop and Shop.....	Gas.....	\$
481.18		
Mid American Energy.....	Monthly billing.....	\$
1919.42		
Landfill of North Iowa.....	Annual Membership.....	\$
1445.85		
O'Reilly.....	Supplies.....	\$

27.32		
Metal Storm MFG.....	Cylinder.....	\$
490.82		
Mason City Overhead Door	Repairs	\$
314.60		
Fastenal	Supplies.....	\$
51.47		
Fleet Farm	Supplies/Kerosene.....	\$
40.01		
Absolute Waste Removal	January Service	\$
5310.06		
Cam Spray.....	Supplies.....	\$
112.07		
Jay Siefken	Cell Phone.....	\$
30.00		
Zach Laudner	Cell Phone/Clothing.....	\$
72.37		
Total Public Works.....		\$
10295.17		
<u>PUBLIC WORKS ROAD USE</u>		
Stellar Truck.....	Supplies.....	\$
22.50		
Stop and Shop	Gas	\$
1091.19		
CNH-Titan	Repairs	\$
3117.07		
North Iowa Sand and Gravel.....	Sand/Salt	\$
959.39		
Cerro Gordo County Engineer	Plowing	\$
154.26		
Total Public Works Road Use		\$
5344.41		
<u>COMMUNITY BETTERMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</u>		
Mid American Energy.....	Monthly billing	\$
35.05		
Keeling Tree Service.....	Tree removal	\$
300.00		
Stumps R Us	Stump Grinding.....	\$
75.00		
Total Community Betterment and Economic Development.....		\$
410.05		
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>		
Rockwell Coop Telephone Assn.	Monthly billing	\$

102.14		
Mid American Energy	Monthly billing	\$
1051.23		
Dearborn Group	Monthly Premium Life Insurance	\$
34.80		
Laird Law Firm	Legal Expense	\$
1100.00		
Counsel	Copier	\$
47.55		
Mid-America Publishing	Publications	\$
373.47		
Staples	Supplies	\$
19.59		
Total General Government		\$
2728.78		

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Wellmark Blue Cross	Monthly Premium Health Insurance	\$
1088.89		
Total Employee Benefits		\$
1088.89		

AMERICAN RELIEF PLAN

Jake Watters Fencing	Lagoon Fence/ARP	\$
10028.60		
Total American Relief Plan		\$
10028.60		

BUSINESS UTILITY WATER

Mid American Energy	Monthly billing	\$
588.42		
Wellmark Blue Cross	Monthly Premium Health Insurance	\$
3811.16		
Dearborn Group	Monthly Premium Life Insurance	\$
86.55		
Menards	Supplies	\$
214.14		
Hawkins	Cylinders	\$
10.00		
Hach	Test Kit	\$
105.60		
Iowa One Call	Locates	\$
19.90		
NuWay K & H	Fuel	\$
230.55		
UPS	Shipping Water Test	\$

12.90		
Postmaster.....	Water Bills	\$
162.80		
Total Business Utility Water		\$
5242.02		
<u>BUSINESS UTILITY SEWER</u>		
Amazon.....	Paper	\$
69.55		
Webstaurantstore.....	Paper	\$
38.44		
Total Business Utility Sewer.....		\$
107.99		

Koob moved to approve the bills as presented for payment. Motion seconded by Meyer, carried unanimously.

January Receipts: General \$11718.85; Road Use \$12139.28; Water Utility \$9685.64; Sewer Utility \$5721.22; Local Option \$19114.34; Debt Service Pool/Storm Water \$1404.53; Storm Water \$2049.41; TIF \$0; EMS \$77.60; Benefits \$193.99.

Penny McCaslin with the Cerro Gordo County Public Health Department presented information on the tobacco and nicotine free policy for parks and businesses. McCaslin noted that with the new playground it would be a good thing to have in place. Koob asked about enforcement of the tobacco and nicotine free areas. McCaslin stated that signs can be posted and reminders given that the area is a tobacco free recreation areas. Koob also asked about the playground being on County property. McCaslin noted she could talk to the County Conservation about this as well. Koob asked about signs. McCaslin stated that if we adopt the tobacco-free/nicotine-free policy for our parks with the designated policies we would qualify for free outdoor signage. Koob felt this would be a good policy to have with the park, playground and pool area. McCaslin left information as she left the meeting.

Mayor Wentz presented the Right of Way permit for sidewalks. Koob noted that with removal, sidewalks should be put back in, with that change felt the permit is good. Meyer stated that with this already in the Code the permit will be good to use.

Mayor Wentz presented information from Managed IT Services with Visual Edge IT. Noting this is a support and backup type of program, but felt it was more then we need here for the cost. Council was in agreement.

Mayor Wentz presented the agreement with the Rockwell Community Fire Service. Koob moved to approve said agreement for fire service with the Rockwell Community Fire Service for \$28,229.00 annually. Motion seconded by Emhoff, carried unanimously.

Weier reviewed the Max Levy for the 2022-2023 Budget. Koob moved to set the public hearing

for the Max Levy for February 16, 2022 at 7:05 p.m. Motion seconded by Worley, carried unanimously.

Mayor Wentz reported that the nuisance are has been cleaned up fairly well considering the snow cover.

Koob asked about the stump on Main Street. Siefken stated that it will be hauled out when weather permits.

Morrison reported on the Pool Board meeting, noting they will be getting information out for hiring a manager and guards. Worley noted the cost of operating the pool is high and they discussed salary adjustments. Morrison stated this year there may be a membership increase.

Siefken reported on the water leak, they had noticed water pumpage was considerably higher for several days before the leak surfaced. The four inch main was in the street, repaired now and the street will be taken care when the weather warms up. Koob asked about the longevity of the infrastructure and water lines. Siefken stated that this time of year breaks are common, the lines are good, and we can fix them when these incidents happen.

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

Larry Wentz, Mayor

Lorna Weier, City Clerk