

March 2, 2022

Mayor Wentz called to order the regular meeting of the Rockwell City Council at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 2, 2022. All Councilmembers were present. Present were Pat Hurley, Caroline McManigal, Star Pralle, Travis Fischer and Zach Laudner, with Chief Brunstein arriving late.

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

The following bills were presented for approval:

Electronic Engineering.....	Monthly Service.....	\$
9.90		
T-Mobile.....	Monthly Internet Service/ feb-Mar	\$
50.00		
Galls	Police.....	\$
36.54		
Axon Enterprise Inc.	Taser	\$
1789.56		
Stop Stick	Freight Charge	\$
28.00		
Stop and Shop	Gas	\$
306.68		
Rockwell Coop Telephone Assn.	Monthly billing	\$
77.66		
Wellmark Blue Cross	Monthly Premium Health Insurance ..	\$
1088.89		
Cerro Gordo County	Software	\$
35.00		
Cody Brunstein	Cell Phone.....	\$
30.00		
Total Public Service		\$
3452.23		
<u>PUBLIC WORKS</u>		
Stop and Shop	Gas	\$
254.03		
Metal Storm	Repairs	\$
236.25		
O'Reilly.....	Supplies.....	\$
239.01		
Absolute Waste Removal	January Service	\$
5310.06		
Jay Siefken	Cell Phone.....	\$
30.00		
Zach Laudner	Cell Phone.....	\$
30.00		
Total Public Works		\$
6099.35		

PUBLIC WORKS ROAD USE

Stop and Shop	Gas	\$
512.82		
Fastenal	Supplies	\$
102.41		
Mercy One	Random Screen	\$
57.00		
Don's Auto Service	Plow	\$
57.60		
Floyd & Leonard	Plow	\$
46.00		
Total Public Works Road Use		\$
775.83		

CULTURE AND RECREATION

Iowa Parks & Recreation	CPO Classes	\$
340.00		
Total Culture and Recreation		\$
340.00		

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

John Ries Excavating Inc.	Tree Removal	\$
500.00		
Total Community and Economic Development		\$
500.00		

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Rockwell Coop Telephone Assn.	Monthly billing	\$
36.46		
Mid-America Publishing	Publications	\$
147.77		
Huntbatch	Property Insurance	\$
40516.00		
Post Master	PO Box Fee/Postage	\$
160.00		
WebWise Solutions Inc.	Web Hosting (pre-paid)	\$
240.00		
Total General Government		\$
41100.23		

BENEFITS LEVY

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

BUSINESS UTILITY WATER

Rockwell Coop Telephone Assn.	Monthly billing	\$
63.95		
Wellmark Blue Cross	Monthly Premium Health Insurance ..	\$
3811.16		
Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities	Dues	\$
698.00		

Truex Electric.....	Generator repairs.....	\$
1111.50		
Menards.....	Supplies.....	\$
79.51		
Hawkins	Cylinders.....	\$
15.00		
Eurofins.....	Water Test.....	\$
63.00		
John Ries Excavating Inc.....	Water Leak	\$
2692.50		
Fleet Farm	Supplies/Kerosene.....	\$
36.90		
Kwik Star	Kerosene	\$
26.78		
Postmaster	Water Bills	\$
164.00		
UPS	Shipping Water Test	\$
17.28		
Jay Siefken	Clothing Allowance	\$
301.72		
Stop and Shop	Supplies.....	\$
23.23		
Total Business Utility Water		\$
9104.53		
<u>BUSINESS UTILITY SEWER</u>		
Stevens Water Monitoring	Lagoon Meter Repairs.....	\$
428.52		
Kirkwood Community College.....	Classes.....	\$
495.00		
Total Business Utility Sewer.....		\$
923.52		

Meyer moved to approve the bills for payment with the addition of the billings for Don's Auto and John Ries. Motion seconded by Koob, carried unanimously.

February Receipts: General \$8734.30; Road Use \$16236.06; Water Utility \$8655.39; Sewer Utility \$5319.19; Local Option \$16240.74; Debt Service Pool/Storm Water \$1203.18; Storm Water \$2003.40; TIF \$0; EMS \$66.47; Benefits \$166.18.

Caroline McManigal, Director for the Rockwell Public Library, was present to share with the Council the events and activities upcoming for the Library. McManigal noted she would like to have emails from patrons to send newsletters out with happenings at the library. Koob asked about the budget and covering the wages with the hour changes. McManigal noted that the City has given \$46,000.00 towards the library budget and they are asking an additional for \$19,000.00 this upcoming year. Koob asked about other funding. McManigal noted they receive funding from the County, State and Dougherty along with grants they write. McManigal thanked the Council for their time and support of the library as she left.

Mayor Wentz read through the Tobacco/Nicotine Free policy. Koob felt we should cover all City

properties in this policy. With discussion, Koob moved to approve the Tobacco/Nicotine Free policy to include but not limited to parks, playgrounds and city properties. Motion seconded by Worley, carried unanimously.

Mayor Wentz read a proclamation on behalf of the Iowa Honey Bee Keepers. Koob stated his support of the Honey Bee Day on March 30, 2022.

Mayor Wentz discussed the property given to the City through the Zeidler Foundation for a future cemetery, and having a lease with the Lions Club to continue farming the property. With discussion, Emhoff moved to lease with the Lions Club the same amount that they lease with Zeidler Trust for the property. Meyer felt that we need to plan ahead to have a savings to expand the cemetery, and seconded by motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Weier presented the 2022-2023 City Budget. Koob moved to set the 2022-2023 Budget hearing for March 16, 2022 at 7:05 p.m. Motion seconded by Worley, carried unanimously.

Mayor Wentz reported on the Cerro Gordo County Assessor's Board meeting.

Meyer reported on the 911 Board meeting and the funding for the single band radios for the Fire and EMS use.

Morrison reported on the Linn Grove Recreation, noting the Chicken BBQ will be August 14th, aquatic center rates, and hiring a manager and lifeguards.

Mayor Wentz asked for Council input if there would be any vacation schedules that will interfere with meeting times.

Mayor Wentz also asked if one of the Council members would like to also be involved with the website.

Morrison stated that City wide garage sales have been talked about, we will try for June 11th if there is interest.

Emhoff stated that she has been approached about yard waste burning, if there could be a set time frame or another way of taking care of yard waste and leaves. Council agreed to look at other towns and options for this.

Emhoff also asked about the appearance of the Post Office building. Council agreed to have a letter sent to the property owners noting the Code and appearance of the building.

Laudner reported that he has signed up for the CPO training in April and the Waste Water Classes he needs to take, also noting he will be taking the water distribution testing.

Chief Brunstein noted he had just finished his CPR certification.

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

Larry Wentz, Mayor

Lorna Weier, City Clerk