

October 5, 2022

Mayor Wentz called to order the Rockwell Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 5, 2022. All Council members were present. Also present were Zach Laudner and Chief Brunstein.

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

The following bills were presented for approval:

PUBLIC SAFETY

Electronic Engineering.....	Monthly Service	\$ 9.90
Cerro Gordo County Sheriff's Office.....	Software September.....	\$ 35.00
T-Mobile.....	Monthly Internet service/September ..	\$ 60.00
Sheffield.....	Nuisance Photos.....	\$ 6.25
West Fork Customs Detailing	Police Car Detail	\$ 53.50
Creative Product Source	Police PR NNO.....	\$ 614.27
Amazon	Police PR NNO.....	\$ 289.12
Graham Tire Service	Police Tires.....	\$ 790.48
Stop and Shop.....	Gas	\$ 231.78
Rockwell Coop Telephone Assn.....	Monthly billing.....	\$ 77.81
Wellmark Blue Cross	Monthly Premium Health Insurance..	\$ 1088.89
Cody Brunstein	Cell Phone.....	\$ 30.00
Total Public Safety		\$ 3287.00

PUBLIC WORKS

Stop and Shop.....	Gas	\$ 336.03
Mid American Energy.....	Monthly billing.....	\$ 2014.53
Floy & Leonard	Supplies	\$ 79.03
O'Reilly.....	Supplies	\$ 79.77
Absolute Waste Removal.....	Service September.....	\$ 5838.00
Central Lock.....	Keys	\$ 19.00
CJ's Auto	Tires/Skid Loader	\$ 542.00
Mason City Red Power.....	Parts.....	\$ 250.75
Zach Laudner	Cell Phone/Clothing.....	\$ 179.76
Jay Siefken	Cell Phone.....	\$ 30.00
Total Public Works		\$ 9368.87

PUBLIC WORKS ROAD USE

Wellmark Blue Cross	Monthly Premium Health Insurance..	\$ 3811.16
Mercy One Occupational Health	Consortium Membership Fees	\$ 240.00
Menards.....	Supplies for Signs	\$ 338.89
Total Public Works Road Use		\$ 4390.05

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Mid American Energy.....	Monthly billing/Memorial.....	\$ 37.86
City of Rockwell.....	Linn Grove Country Club/Watering ..	\$ 1203.55
Abbie Emhoff	Mums for Main	\$ 400.00
Total Community and Economic Development.....		\$ 1641.41

CULTURE AND RECREATION

Payton Plagge.....	Mowing Cemetery/September.....	\$ 1350.00
Total Culture and Recreation		\$ 1350.00

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

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

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Rockwell Coop Telephone Assn.....	Monthly billing.....	\$ 37.36
Mid American Energy.....	Monthly billing.....	\$ 190.94
Adam Wedmore.....	Furnace Filters/EMS Building	\$ 61.25
Larry Wentz	Computers	\$ 200.00
Mid-America Publishing	Publications	\$ 221.77
Iowa League of Cities.....	Annual Member Dues	\$ 928.00
Total General Government.....		\$ 1639.32

BUSINESS UTILITY WATER

Stop and Shop.....	Gas	\$ 45.59
Rockwell Coop Telephone Assn.....	Monthly billing.....	\$ 63.95
Mid American Energy.....	Monthly billing.....	\$ 471.46
Larry Wentz	Computers	\$ 300.00
State Hygienic Lab.....	Test.....	\$ 130.00
Hawkins	Cylinders/Chemicals.....	\$ 30.00
Eurofins.....	Water Test	\$ 346.50
DNR.....	Annual Water Use Fee	\$ 115.00
Municipal Supply.....	USB Cable	\$ 35.49
Postmaster	Water Bills.....	\$ 187.88
Postmaster	Fluoride Letters.....	\$ 245.40
UPS	Shipping Water Test.....	\$ 117.66
Total Business Utility Water.....		\$ 2088.93

BUSINESS UTILITY SEWER

Jim Corporon.....	Clean Main Sewer.....	\$ 160.50
Eurofins.....	Wastewater Test.....	\$ 133.98
Total Business Utility Sewer		\$ 294.48

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

September Receipts: General \$40423.02; Road Use \$18663.70; Water Utility \$913695.61; Sewer Utility \$6877.65; Local Option \$16563.42; Debt Service Pool/Storm Water \$17048.85; Storm Water \$2155.36; TIF \$0; EMS \$1016.76; Library Benefits \$2350.86; Property Ins \$2350.86; Police Benefits \$1318.85; Emergency Management \$193.95 ARP \$74013.85.

Meyer reported on the Main Street building inspections, noting a written report will be sent.

Chief Brunstein noted the request for a Bluetooth mic, to be able to use an earpiece when at public events. Koob noted that Bluetooth is not always reliable. Meyer stated that he likes the idea of Chief being able to hear without everyone else hearing. Worley also noted that privacy is important. Following discussion, Meyer moved to approve the purchase of the Bluetooth mic for \$514. Motion seconded by Worley, carried unanimously.

Mayor Wentz stated that Chris Diggins, with NIACOG, will be present for the next meeting to give information on NIACOG and the TIF process.

Koob moved to approve the renewal of the liquor license for Jonesy's Stop and Shop. Motion seconded by Morrison, carried unanimously.

Mayor Wentz asked if the Council have been by the previous nuisance properties to see if they are maintained.

Worley noted the positive comments about the mums on Main Street.

Koob noted the speed limit signs are up. Laudner stated that he had finished the signs.

Koob asked to have the dumpster moved by the playground until new trash receptacles can be placed there. Koob also noted the backfill around the playground can done now. Koob stated that benches and trash receptacles are something to have ready for spring and at that time have a ribbon cutting for the entire playground. Koob also noted the maintenance for the surface and the other projects to go with the playground.

Meyer noted that they have not heard from the County on the issue with allowing golf carts at the camp ground, he feels they are trying to put a plan into place for all the county grounds.

Koob noted that he was invited to a small town focus group meeting, he will not be able to attend but feels this is important for our community to be represented. Meyer will try to attend the meeting.

Meyer noted concern with public input at meetings and ways to control it.

Emhoff asked about seeing what Northland Design could do for Main Street flower pot containers.

Koob noted making the Rockwell sign vertical so it does not take up as much space. Emhoff thought that would be a good idea, and make it three sided to be visible from all directions.

Chief Brunstein noted the new tires are on the police vehicle and he will be taking it to Electronic Engineering for wiring system issue.

Council discussed an additional maintenance employee, and to have more coverage when one is not here. Meyer noted we will have to work with the budget and maybe seasonal help would be feasible.

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

Larry Wentz, Mayor

Lorna Weier, City Clerk

