

December 7, 2022

Mayor Wentz called to order the regular meeting of the Rockwell City Council at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 7, 2022. Council members present were Koob, Worley and Morrison. Absent Meyer and Emhoff. Also present were Caroline McManigal, Zach Laudner, Jay Siefken and Chief Brunstein.

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

Caroline McManigal, Library Director, discussed with the Council the work being done at the library and noted she has asked for bids from a couple of local contractors for the work to be finished. Following discussion, McManigal left the meeting.

The following bills were presented for approval:

PUBLIC SAFETY

Electronic Engineering.....	Monthly Service.....	\$
9.90		
Cerro Gordo County	Software Service/Nov/December.....	\$
70.00		
T-Mobile.....	Monthly Internet service/November ..	\$
50.00		
Community Fire Service.....	Annual Levy.....	\$
28229.00		
Stop and Shop	Gas Oct/Nov.....	\$
616.73		
Rockwell Coop Telephone Assn.	Monthly billing	\$
77.81		
Wellmark Blue Cross	Monthly Premium Health Insurance..	\$
1088.89		
Don's Auto Service	Service Police Car.....	\$
49.96		
Cody Brunstein	Cell Phone.....	\$
30.00		
Total Public Safety		\$
30222.29		

PUBLIC WORKS

Stop and Shop	Gas Oct/Nov.....	\$
1152.44		
Mid American Energy.....	Monthly billing	\$
1994.65		
Absolute Waste Removal	Service November & December	\$
12606.00		
Fleet Farm	Supplies.....	\$

103.25		
Cerro Gordo County Extension	Training.....	\$
36.05		
Truex Electric.....	Quonset Wiring.....	\$
3500.00		
Jay Siefken	Cell Phone.....	\$
30.00		
Zach Laudner	Cell Phone.....	\$
30.00		
Total Public Works.....		\$
19452.39		
<u>PUBLIC WORKS ROAD USE</u>		
Stop and Shop	Gas Oct/Nov.....	\$
164.59		
Don's Auto Service	Plow Truck	\$
594.95		
Don's Auto Service	Dump Truck	\$
182.41		
Mason City Red Power	Forks	\$
1200.00		
Heartland Asphalt, Inc	Street Work	\$
48897.55		
Total Public Works Road Use		\$
51039.50		
<u>CULTURE AND RECREATION</u>		
Tony Kobliska Electric	Park Lights	\$
3183.20		
Total Culture and Recreation		\$
3183.20		
<u>COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</u>		
Mid American Energy.....	Monthly billing/Memorial	\$
31.93		
Menards.....	Supplies.....	\$
129.09		
WHKS.....	Building Inspection.....	\$
2400.00		
Mosquito Control	2022 Spraying.....	\$
6725.00		
Dahley Tree Service	Tree Work.....	\$
15550.00		
Total Community and Economic Development.....		\$
24836.02		
<u>EMPLOYEE BENEFITS</u>		
Wellmark Blue Cross	Monthly Premium Health Insurance	\$

1088.89
Total Employee Benefits.....\$

1088.89

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Rockwell Coop Telephone Assn.Monthly billing\$
36.76

Mid American Energy.....Monthly billing\$
292.83

Mid-America Publishing.....Publications.....\$
232.16

Staples.....Supplies.....\$
38.57

M & N Heating and Cooling.....Furnace.....\$
198.60

Total General Government.....\$
798.92

BUSINESS UTILITY WATER

Stop and Shop.....Supplies.....\$
10.00

Rockwell Coop Telephone Assn.Monthly billing\$
63.95

Mid American Energy.....Monthly billing\$
462.38

Wellmark Blue CrossMonthly Premium Health Insurance..\$
3811.16

Menards.....Supplies.....\$
62.86

Staples.....Supplies.....\$
13.41

HawkinsCylinders/Chemicals.....\$
10.00

Midwest Pipe SupplySupplies.....\$
104.00

NuWay-K& HFuel Water Tower\$
342.29

Iowa One CallLocates\$
23.40

Postmaster.....Water Bills\$
183.04

UPSShipping Water Test\$
27.70

Total Business Utility Water\$
5114.19

BUSINESS UTILITY SEWER

Clear Lake Sanitary District.....Wastewater Test\$
37.20
Total Business Utility Sewer.....\$
37.20

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

November Receipts: General \$13576.51; Road Use \$11648.71; Water Utility \$10957.71; Sewer Utility \$6172.78; Local Option \$26654.38; Debt Service Pool/Storm Water \$2715.35; Storm Water \$2253.22; TIF \$146.29; EMS \$31.29; Library Benefits \$379.29; Property Ins \$379.29; Police Benefits \$212.78; Emergency Management \$164.04; ARP \$0.

Koob moved to table the security camera for more information. Motion seconded by Worley, carried unanimously.

Mayor Wentz presented a Tax Abatement application for 213 Main Street East. Koob moved by Resolution 2022-9 to approve to be forward to the County Assessor’s Office. Motion seconded by Morrison, carried unanimously.

Mayor Wentz presented a Tax Abatement application for improvements at 114 4th Street North. Morrison moved by Resolution 2022-10 to approve to be forward to the County Assessor’s Office. Motion seconded by Worley, carried unanimously.

Koob moved to allow the City Employees Friday, December 23rd and Monday December 26th for the Christmas holiday. Motion seconded by Worley, carried unanimously.

Koob asked about the address change. Siefken stated that he has talked with Michelle Rush, in reference to the 911 addressing. Siefken felt that since there are three addresses currently set with the Fifth Street South address we could leave the Fifth Street sign and make the City Right of Way Fifth Street so that no changes are needed. Koob stated that he feels it should be addressed as Madison Street with the numbers coinciding chronologically with the other Madison Street addresses. Koob noted we could use the same number and have an A and a B address. Siefken will look into this.

Chief Brunstein asked about some nuisance buildings and the Main Street buildings that were looked at. Koob asked if we could get an estimate from Bergo on the asbestos removal for the building on 2nd Street and see if the DNR has any grants for such work. Council discussed the review from WHKS and asked to have the information sent to each of the property owners.

Koob noted the street work done and asked about the corner of Oak Street North and West View Drive North where the water pools. Siefken stated that can be taken care of next year.

Laudner approached the Council with a request to attend the Iowa Rural Water Conference in Des Moines for two days February, the cost is \$355.00 plus hotel. Council gave their approval

for Laudner to attend the conference.

Chief Brunstein noted that he has made contact with the residents on Main Street for parking off Main Street with snow removal.

Chief Brunstein stated that he has request for reduced speed signs prior to the new speed limit signs on Madison Street. Koob noted that these signs are not necessary.

Chief Brunstein noted he will be starting the planning for next year's National Night Out and the Battle of the Badges after the first of the year. Chief Brunstein also noted he would like to work with the Fire Department to have a shop with a hero program, feeling there is some need in our community. Morrison noted that the food bank in Sheffield is available to Rockwell residents too.

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

Larry Wentz, Mayor

Lorna Weier, City Clerk