

October 4, 2023

Mayor Wentz called to order the regular meeting of the Rockwell City Council at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, October 4, 2023. Council members present were Morrison and Emhoff with Koob via phone. Also present were Bev Peters, Sean Hannah, Pat Hurley, Jon Roberts, Zach Laudner and Chief Brunstein.

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

Bev Peters was present on behalf of the Century Homes board. Peters stated the buildings were built in 1971, the two facilities have twelve apartments, as the units are vacated they are doing renovations and improvements to the buildings. Peters stated that the current need is to replace the doors and windows as they are original to the building. Peters noted that they have applied for grant funding. Peters also noted that Mid American Energy did do some energy efficiency updates for them with ceiling insulation, LED lights and shower heads. Peters stated they have raised \$8,240.00 and have an individual match of \$12,000.00 when they raise that amount. Peters asked for the Council's financial support. Mayor Wentz asked if we could use the TIF funds that are designated for LMI projects. Weier will check on this for use of the TIF funds. Koob moved to allow for the use of TIF funds, if can be used, for the \$4,300.00 needed. Motion seconded by Emhoff, carried unanimously. Peters thanked the Council and stated her appreciation for financially supporting the Century Homes as she left the meeting.

Emhoff moved to table the Code updates until we have a full Council present. Motion seconded by Morrison, carried unanimously.

Morrison moved to approve the renewal of the Linn Grove Country Club liquor license. Motion seconded by Koob, carried unanimously.

Mayor Wentz presented the employee health insurance renewal with Wellmark noting that we have a fourteen percent decrease in the premium. Morrison moved to approve the renewal at a cost of \$8,563.00 a month for employee health insurance. Motion by Emhoff, carried unanimously.

The following bills were presented for approval:

PUBLIC SAFETY

Cerro Gordo County .....	Software Service/October .....	\$
35.00		
Electronic Engineering.....	Monthly Service.....	\$
9.90		
T-Mobile.....	Monthly Internet service/2 months ....	\$
120.00		
Adam Wedmore .....	Medical Supplies.....	\$
149.50		

Axon Enterprise, Inc .....	Body Cam .....	\$
923.52		
Galls .....	Police Supplies/Clothing.....	\$
173.04		
Stop and Shop .....	Gas .....	\$
237.18		
Rockwell Coop Telephone Assn. ....	Monthly billing .....	\$
78.33		
Wellmark.....	Health Insurance .....	\$
1431.17		
Cody Brunstein .....	Cell Phone.....	\$
30.00		
Total Public Safety .....		\$
3187.64		

**PUBLIC WORKS**

Stop and Shop .....	Gas .....	\$
383.30		
Mid American Energy.....	Monthly billing .....	\$
1977.03		
Absolute Waste Removal .....	September Service .....	\$
6620.50		
NAPA .....	Supplies.....	\$
93.63		
CJ's Auto.....	Repair Tire .....	\$
60.00		
Five Star .....	Supplies.....	\$
32.17		
MARC.....	Supplies.....	\$
134.83		
Menards.....	Supplies.....	\$
110.59		
Zach Laudner .....	Cell Phone.....	\$
30.00		
Jon Roberts.....	Cell Phone.....	\$
30.00		
Total Public Works .....		\$
9472.05		

**PUBLIC WORKS ROAD USE**

Stop and Shop .....	Gas .....	\$
180.00		
Wellmark.....	Health Insurance .....	\$
3577.80		
Don's Auto Service .....	Battery/Wire.....	\$
244.45		

Heartland Asphalt, Inc. ....	Rock .....	\$
356.16		
MercyOne .....	Consortium Fees .....	\$
240.00		
Total Public Works Road Use .....		\$
4598.41		
<u>CULTURE AND RECREATION</u>		
Stop and Shop .....	Linn Grove Rec .....	\$
151.88		
Brian Hiscocks .....	Stone Repair .....	\$
100.00		
Total Culture and Recreation .....		\$
251.88		
<u>COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</u>		
Mid American Energy .....	Monthly billing/Memorial .....	\$
31.89		
Total Community and Economic Development .....		\$
31.89		
<u>EMPLOYEE BENEFITS</u>		
Wellmark .....	Health Insurance .....	\$
1431.17		
Total Employee Benefits .....		\$
1431.17		
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>		
Rockwell Coop Telephone Assn. ....	Monthly billing .....	\$
37.39		
Mid American Energy .....	Monthly billing .....	\$
216.42		
Wellmark .....	Health Insurance .....	\$
3577.80		
Iowa League of Cities .....	Workshop .....	\$
25.00		
Mid-America Publishing .....	Publications .....	\$
221.65		
Total General Government .....		\$
4078.26		
<u>BUSINESS UTILITY WATER</u>		
Stop and Shop .....	Water Test Supplies .....	\$
21.73		
Rockwell Coop Telephone Assn. ....	Monthly billing .....	\$
58.95		
Mid American Energy .....	Monthly billing .....	\$
489.30		
Hawkins .....	Chlorine Cylinders .....	\$

30.00		
Iowa DNR.....	Water use fee.....	\$
115.00		
John Ries Excavating Inc.....	Repairs .....	\$
1374.56		
John Ries Excavating Inc.....	Set Hydrants.....	\$
7695.00		
Service Tech.....	Hydrant repairs.....	\$
1945.87		
Van Wert Company.....	Software .....	\$
2135.00		
Core & Main.....	Repairs/Supplies .....	\$
346.10		
Radiodetection .....	Shipping .....	\$
34.01		
Eurofins.....	Water Test.....	\$
31.50		
State Hygienic Lab.....	Test.....	\$
137.50		
Arrowwood.....	Conference .....	\$
136.40		
Postmaster.....	Water Bills/Postage.....	\$
330.00		
Sam's Club/Lorna .....	Labels.....	\$
29.82		
Staples.....	Supplies.....	\$
156.85		
Postmaster.....	Water Bills/Credit .....	\$
4.59		
Martin Marietta.....	Rock/Hydrants .....	\$
332.62		
NIACC .....	Training.....	\$
60.00		
UPS .....	Water Test Shipping .....	\$
15.35		
Total Business Utility Water .....		\$
15480.15		
<u>BUSINESS UTILITY SEWER</u>		
UPS .....	Waste Water Test Shipping .....	\$
15.35		
Eurofins.....	Waste Water Test.....	\$
28.93		
Total Business Utility Sewer.....		\$
44.28		

Motion by Emhoff to approve bills for payment Seconded by Morrison, carried unanimously.

September Receipts: General \$36112.02; Road Use \$16793.96; Water Utility \$11960.41; Sewer Utility \$6933.24; Local Option \$21575.97; Debt Service Pool/Storm Water \$14850.83; Storm Water \$2199.52; TIF \$1323.73; EMS \$912.97; Library Benefits \$3043.25; Property Ins \$3043.25; Police Benefits \$1217.31; Emergency Management \$196.31; ARP \$0.

Koob reported that he had taken down the canopies at the pool and pulled the plugs on the pumps as they will be coming to winterize the pool soon.

Mayor Wentz noted that he had turned in the grant application for the Memorial updates.

Laudner stated he and Roberts have been busy; the four fire hydrants are in place. Laudner asked about the work and updates for the North tower with capping one of the wells and making one usable. Council asked to have Laudner get prices for the work, this could be paid from the American Rescue funds.

Chief Brunstein had a price of \$900.00 each for the LED, flashing, solar stop signs. Chief Brunstein stated that Meyer had asked the County to help with this as they will be used on B60 and was denied. Chief Brunstein felt we could use these on the East/West streets of Madison/ B60 and Elm Street so we would need four signs. Koob moved to purchase four LED stop signs with Community Betterment funds. Motion seconded by Morrison, carried unanimously.

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

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Larry Wentz, Mayor

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Lorna Weier, City Clerk