Minutes of the regular council meeting held January 09,2022 at 6:00pm. Present council members Joe Buffington, Brandon Berg, Austin Miller, Ted Teel and Mary Moore. Mayor Sally Rodriguez, Chief TJ Behning, Sgt. Bujalski, Public Works Director Josh Ferkel, City Attorney William McCullough, City Engineer Mike Janecek, Fire Chief Doug Anderson\*, and City Clerk Tanna Leonard\*. Participants with a "\*" behind their name participated electronically.

Meeting called to order at 6:06p.m. by Mayor Rodriguez.

Motion by Teel and seconded by Buffington to approve the consent agenda while moving the Linwood topic to the beginning of discussion and decision. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Teel and seconded by Moore to open the hearing for the Budget Amendment. Motion carried unanimously.

It was explained that the budget amendment was for additional expenditures in Street Scape Engineering \$100,000, Extra payment on GO bond \$159, 415k, AARPA/SLSRF funds for wastewater treatment study and CIP for water and sewer at \$28k each.

No Comments from the public.

Motion by Miller and seconded by Ted to close the Public Hearing for the budget. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Input** 

Mayor Rodriguez thanked the Buffalo Fire Department for taking the time to decorate the fire truck and to drive around town for 3 nights.

Mayor Rodriguez thanked Brandy and all her helpers for the kid's Christmas party.

Mayor Rodriguez stated that there will be a Pavement Patching project on IA 22, from County Road Y40 to IA 461. The project should be completed in calendar year 2023. Project costs will be paid from the Primary Road Fund and no charges will be made against the city.

**Linwood Crossing** 

Members from Linwood provided information on the crossing along 110<sup>th</sup> Street. Council discussed with Public Works and Police Department regarding the request. Motion by Teel and seconded by Moore to table until IDOT can be confirmed, and liability insurance provided. Motion carried unanimously.

**Adoption ACA Language for Central States** 

William McCullough explained that central states, the health insurance provider recommended language be changed regarding the part time employee health insurance for Buffalo. If the Council is in favor, he would draft a memorandum for them to approve.

Motion by Teel and seconded by Berg to approve the attorney to draft a MOU for approval at the next meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**FEMA Floodplain management Course** 

Ferkel explained that he wanted to sign up for this course but that it was already filled. Rodriguez explained that there was a previous resolution that allowed her to approve training but that it had expired in December.

Motion by Teel and seconded by Buffington to approve Ferkel to attend the next available floodplain management course. Motion carried unanimously.

Berg requested the resolution be amended for future training.

## **Street Scape Updates**

Janecek updated the council on the street scape funding break down.

Construction Cost Estimates:

West of Franklin:

\$870,000

Casey's Plaza:

\$419,000

East of Franklin (w/o Plaza):

\$1,237,000

Total:

\$2,526,000

Design Fees:

Previously Invoiced:

\$266,958.73

Remaining to Complete (Not including anything for on-street parking):

Flenker:

\$35,000.00

RTM:

\$22,200.00

Martin & Whitacre:

\$68,800.00

**Total Remaining:** 

\$126,000.00

Community Development will meet and discuss options and report back to council.

#### Weights Fire Department

Motion by Buffington and seconded by Teel to approve the Fire Department to bring over their weight equipment to the old music room at the BAC. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Nuisance Code Review**

Council discussed possible changes to the nuisance code relating to grass and vehicles.

The proposed grass changes would be that notification would be giving to property owners that all grass and weeds should be mowed when it reaches 10', no further notice shall be given. Another topic discussed was not allowing vehicles to be parked on the grass. Council discussed limiting this parking to no parking on grass in the front of your property. Front being anything behind the rear corner of the house. Exemption being during a snow emergency. Vehicles include campers, boats, trailers, etc. Motion by Teel and seconded by Buffington to table the parking until next month. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Utility Disconnect**

Council discussed options for changes to the disconnection code. Items addressed included the following:

- 1. Making the code uniform for the utilities
- 2. Sending delinquent accounts to collections
- 3. Making utilities delinquent on the 21<sup>st</sup>, sending a 12 day notice thereafter, and a 48 hour notice thereafter. If a payment agreement is not made in that timeframe utilities are to be disconnected, upon the date identified on the 48-hour notice
- 4. A 3% discount for those that sign up for autopay

5. Send a report to the council of the delinquent accounts for the month.

Councilmember Berg summarized that these changes are not designed to make additional hardships with customers but create the best policy so that there is a balance between utility operations and all customers.

Motion by Teel and seconded by Berg to approve the amendments as discussed. Motion carried with Buffington voting "no".

#### **UTV PD**

Motion by Teel and seconded by Berg to approve chief to get estimates for a gas powered UTV and trade in the old UTV. Motion carried unanimously.

Judy's Barge Inn Liquor License

Motion by Teel and seconded by Miller to approve the liquor license for Judy's Barge Inn. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **GTSB Overtime**

Motion by Teel and seconded by Miller to approve the Part Time Officers to receive GTSB Overtime as paid by the state. Motion carried unanimously.

# Spruce Street Berm/Fence

# Council discussed the Berm/Fence on Spruce Street

Motion by Teel and seconded by Buffington to approve the surveying of Spruce Street. Motion carried unanimously.

**ATE FUND Expenditure** 

Clerk Explained that council had approved the purchase of the take home squad purchases for the PD for \$150K and that Chief Behning met with the Ordinance Finance Committee and that they approved the expenditure from ATE funds. Chief Behning also requested that funds to repair or replace the UTV be funded by the ATE funds.

Motion by Teel and seconded by Miller to extend the meeting an additional one-half hour. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Tabled Items**

Water Tower painting

Resolutions

2023-1 Motion by Teel and seconded by Miller to approve the resolution to approve the second Budget Amendment. Motion carried unanimously.

2023-2 Motion by Teel seconded by Miller to approve a resolution for outdoor service area for Judy's. Motion carried unanimously.

2023-3 Motion by Teel and seconded by Miller to approve the authorizing the clerk to spend ATE funds for the take home squad program and the UTV expenses. Motion carried unanimously.

2023-4 Motion by Teel and seconded by

Motion by Teel and seconded by Buffington to approve 2022-56 setting the date for the public hearing for the second budget amendment of FY23. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Public Works Director provided the following update in the packet:

Performed 1 burial

Plowed on several occasions

Submitted NPDES wastewater permit

Replaced 2 broken frost plates on water meters for 2 residents

Power moped BAC gym

Replaced snowplow power leads on 210 F-350 truck after breakdown

Received 5 power poles

Pulled manhole covers looking for Inflow & Infiltration

Performed maintenance at BAC

Disposed of 55 gallons of old foam for the Fire Department

## Buffalo Fire Chief provided a report for the packet.

23 – EMS Calls

- 2- Structure Fires
- 1-Vehicle Fires
- 2- Grass Fire
- 0 Vehicle Accidents
- 0 Boat Rescue
- 4 Misc. Calls

367 – Total Emergency Responses for 2022

Training: 8 members spent 30-man hours doing regular crew duties. 17 members spent 3 hours working on the Quint.

#### **Park Board Committee**

No updates from the park board.

#### Cemetery

Teel reported that they were working on a few things. Mayor Rodriguez asked about getting the Veterans memorials back to their correct locations. The committee will discuss this.

#### **Future Meetings**

Regular Council Meeting February 13,2023 Park Board Meeting January 18, 2023 @6:00pm Street Committee January 12, 2023 @ 5:00pm

Motion by Moore and seconded by Teel to adjourn the meeting at 8:17pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor, Sally Rodriguez

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City Clerk, Tanna Leonard

# Claims

CLAIMS REPORT		
VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
424 WARNING SYSTEMS LLC	2023 Tahoe electronic install	31,183.29
A & A AIR COND & REFRIG	Ice Machine Rental	105.00
ADVANCED Business Systems	contract	41.22
AFLAC	aflac	291.50
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	antifreeze	168.60
BEYOND TECHNOLOGY, INC	ink	149.57
Bi-State Regional Commission	dues	275.50
Central States Funds	HEALTH INSUR.	15,968.00
Buffalo, City of	utility	363.68
Davenport, City of	park trees compost	48.00
CODE 4	pink patches	260.00
Compass Minerals America Inc	salt	2,114.45
Culligan of the Quad Cities	conditional rental	28.00
DAVENPORT PRINTING CO.	building permit forms	142.00
IRS	FED/FICA TAX	2,822.96
IRS	FED/FICA TAX	3,010.27
IRS	FED/FICA TAX	3,735.47
IRS	FED/FICA TAX	3,911.70
EMPLOYERS MUTUAL CASUALTY	restitution	401.00
HARLAND BRANDY	mileage	18.37
IA ABD	Alcohol Purchase	180.00
Iowa One Call	lowa one	28.80
Iowa Workforce Development	unemployment	25.13
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Iowa DNR	npdes renewal	85.00
Iowa Firefighters Association	membership	357.00
INTOXIMETERS	Dry gas	209.50
IPERS	POLICE IPERS	10,268.13
JASON'S DISTRIBUTING	popcorn	36.69
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	work boots -josh	207.99
Kirby Water Conditioning	salt	75.00
MACQUEEN EQUIPMENT	Street Sweeper	80,000.00
McCullough, William	lawyer fees	630.00
MEDIACOM	phone/internet	1,060.56
MEGHAN MARTIN	BAC cleaning	450.00
MID AMERICAN	BAC	2,731.05
MID AMERICAN	sewer	1,975.12
MID AMERICAN	sewer	39.95
MPH INDUSTRIES, INC	laser and charger	2,495.00
POWER LINE SUPPLY	5 power poles	3,860.00
PS3 Enterprises Inc	handicap	178.00
PS3 Enterprises Inc	dodge park	178.00
QC Analytical Services	sludge testing	1,634.00
Quad City Times	proof of nov council	406.53

Republic Services #400	garbage	7,338.60
ROSS MEDICAL SUPPLY CO,	oxygen cylinders	80.49
Resale Power Group of Iowa	electricity	35,494.51
Treasurer, State Of Iowa	Sales Tax	866.91
Treasurer, State Of Iowa	Sales Tax	858.33
Treasurer, State Of Iowa	Sales Tax	1,725.24
Scott County E.M.S. Assoc.	2022 and 2023 dues	75.00
SCOTT COUNTY SHERIFF	booking fees	25.00
Selco	y-40 repair sign	20.00
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	string trimmer repair	1,156.01
SE National Bank-BUFFALO BR	Service Charges ACH	
Treasurer, State Of Iowa	STATE TAXES	2,801.00
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TC AUTO	2018 surge tank, coolant	326.68
VERIZON	phones	446.65
Visa	Microsoft for PD	38.40
Waste Commission of Scott Co	2 drums	102.00
WEX BANK	fuel	2,391.24
WINSOR GROUP CONSULTING	3 phase deposit refund	625.98
Accounts Payable Total	,	224,796.83
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General Fund		79,370.42
COMMUNITY CENTER		1,584.59
Road Use Tax Fund		84,060.31
Savings - Police Equip		260.00
Water Utility Fund		4,750.69
Sewer Utility Fund		7,401.56
Electric Utility Fund		47,367.37
Storm Water Utility Fund		1.89
TOTAL FUNDS		224,796.83
Revenues December		
General		128,587.87
Community Center		1,424.00
Road Use Tax		13,788.91
Employee Benefit		2,837.93
Local Option Sales Tax		49,462.66
Community Development		6,034.39
Water		16,444.82
Sewer		16,387.75
Electric		41,811.75
Storm Sewer		2,211.17
		278,991.25
Employee Wages 2022		

Anthony Follis 1,957.50

Austin Miller 550.00

Brandon Berg	530.00
Brandy Harland	8,759.93
Brian Carsten	125.00
Clay Harland	75.00
Dakota Wilson	61,378.89
Donald Haggerty	3,637.50
Grahm Teel-Vanderpool	11,002.50
Howard Wilson	37,425.03
James Morrissey	1,388.75
Jerry Keel	59,257.09
Joe Buffington	460.00
Josh Ferkel	81,929.59
Joshua Bujalski	71,220.93
Judith Blessing	39,023.32
Kate Mullanack	75.00
Kellie Hudson	150.00
Mary Moore	630.00
Matthew Fowler	595.00
Renee Peek	75.00
Richard Aleksiejczyk	3,310.00
Richard Derrickson	68,314.49
Sally Rodriguez	2,300.00
Tanna Leonard	71,865.11
Ted Teel	560.00
Terry Behning	79,850.99
Zach Carson Total	41,893.44