

City of Beaman
6:30 P.M. Regular Council Meeting
Wednesday, August 9, 2023

The Beaman City Council met at the Beaman City Hall on Wednesday, August 9, 2023, for a regular Council meeting. Mayor Ann Smith called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM. Council Members present were Deb Ashton, Barry Brockman, Rhonda Rego, Jason Scafferi, Brandon Schleisman. Others present - Randy Daniel, Dave Moorman, and City Clerk Denise Hoy. Mayor Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CORRESPONDENCE – A letter from INRCOG was read thanking the council for being a member and outlining the services they offer.

AGENDA – Motion by Brockman, second by Scafferi, to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: 5.

CONSENT AGENDA Ashton moved, Schleisman seconded, to approve of the following consent items: Minutes from the 07/12/2023 council meeting, Bills from 07/13 – 8/09, 2023, July Financial Reports. Clerk Hoy also informed the council about a new product that Farmers Savings Bank has paying a higher rate of interest on business checking accounts. The savings account will be transferred to the checking to maximize the rate of return. Ayes: 5.

EXPENSES	7/13 – 8/09, 2023	TOTAL
Farmers Savings Bank	Return Check Fee	-7.00
Intuit Quickbooks Payroll	Monthly Payroll Fee	-30.00
IPERS	Liability	-679.27
Randy Daniel	2023 July Water and Sewer Maintenance	-1,000.00
Ashton, Thomas G	Payroll 7-1 to 7-31-2023	-50.04
Dougherty, Sarah J	Payroll 7-1 to 7-31-2023	-808.45
Hoy, Dense L	Payroll 7-1 to 7-31-2023	-1,427.24
Moorman, David	Payroll 7-1 to 7-31-2023	-642.12
Neal, Linda R	Payroll 7-1 to 7-31-2023	-258.18
Post Office Beaman	box rent - fire #136	-118.00
Moler Sanitation, Inc.	Sanitation	-115.00
Ryan Ashton	Mowing	-892.00
Alliant Utilities	Electric & Gas	-1,522.38
Clerk Books, Inc.	Annual support hours	-850.00
INRCOG	FY24 Dues	-100.00
Iowa Department of Natural Resources	NPDES Permit	-210.00
Mid-America Publishing Corporation	Legal Notice – 657A	-161.38
I.R.U.A.	Bulk water - July	-1,832.36
Menards	Rug for Memorial Bldg.	-18.99
Ag Source Cooperative Services	Monthly testing	-14.50
New Century FS	Fuel	-139.30
Heart of IA	Phone & internet services	-220.22
Card Service Center	Purchases	-516.95
Amazon	Fire tools, basketball nets	-466.59
U.S. Cellular	Fire tablet	-34.48
Heart of Iowa	Phone/internet - library	-52.99
Baker & Taylor	Books	-187.87

Card Services	Library supplies, books	-171.80
U.S. Cellular	Library phone	-86.98
U.S. Bank Equipment Finance	Copier payment	-108.95
Premier Office Equipment	Library Copier	-99.39
Hoopla	Library - Digital Downloads	-76.90
Mayo Clinic Health Letter	Library - Subscription - 1 year	-32.00
Our Iowa	Library - Subscription 1 year	-24.98
Consumer Reports	Library - Subscription	-27.82
Grundy County Library Assoc.	Dues	-30.00
Quill Corporation	Office Supply - library	-74.81
	TOTAL EXPENSES 7/13 to 8/09, 2023	\$13,088.94
REVENUES	JULY 2023	TOTAL
General Fund	Receipts	4,238.31
Road Use Tax	Receipts	1,598.21
Employee Benefits	Receipts	66.39
Emergency Fund	Receipts	20.38
Water Fund	Receipts	8,173.91
Sewer Fund	Receipts	1,876.28
	TOTAL REVENUES JULY 2023	\$15,973.48

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Fire – Dave Moorman reported that most all the power tools for the Fire Department had been purchased. Clerk Hoy informed council that the invoice for Hazmat clean up for Nutrien had been resubmitted for payment.
- b. Maintenance – Dave Moorman reported that the seal coating on streets should happen yet this August; a storm drain had been repaired and he will put together a list of residents that need to remove brush and trees from alleyways to allow access.
- c. Water & Sewer – Randy shared that the DNR inspection, included in council packets, showed a few recommendations that he will be addressing. They also discussed the water pumped compared to water going into the WWTP is notably different. Randy will visit with IRUA to see if their meter needs calibrated.
- d. Library – minutes from the last meeting were presented.
- e. Economic Development – no report.
- f. Sheriff – council reviewed monthly reports.
- g. Other – none.

BUSINESS

1. Jordan Hoy, BCERT Chair visited with council regarding correspondence received from UnityPoint Ambulance Service, Marshalltown, IA. The letter pointed out that BCERT had not signed a new agreement for transport services. Jordan Hoy explained that in November 2022 BCERT became a transport service. Moving forward they will be using Grundy Center Ambulance when they are not available to transport. He shared that the reason for the change is that many patients request to go to Grundy County Memorial Hospital and that UnityPoint Health - Marshalltown Ambulance Service will only transport patients to UnityPoint Health - Marshalltown Emergency Department. UnityPoint Health - Marshalltown Ambulance Service also indicated that due to inadequate staffing they are limited in their capability to respond to emergencies outside of Marshall County.
2. Eleanor Caputo, 306 Main Street, Beaman, IA, addressed council regarding the TNR grant program and continued benefits to Beaman. The council confirmed that she should go ahead and apply for another grant, and continue turning in receipts for food and services provided by Steckelberg Vet Clinic in Conrad.
3. Council member Scafferi moved, Schleisman seconded, to appoint Megan Moeller to the Library Board of Directors – term ending 6/30/2026. Ayes: 5.

4. Council member Brockman moved, seconded by Rego, to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign an engagement letter with Rachelle K. Thompson, CPA for a periodic examination for the City of Beaman. Ayes: 5
5. Council member Ashton moved, Scafferi seconded, to adopt RES 324-23 Transferring money from one fund to another. Ayes: Ashton, Brockman, Rego, Scafferi, Schleisman. Nays: none.
6. Council member Scafferi moved, Brockman seconded, to allow the City Clerk to purchase a printer/scanner for the Clerk's Office. Ayes: 5.
7. Council member Scafferi moved, Schleisman seconded, to table the discussion regarding City Council Rules and Procedures. Ayes: 5.
8. Scafferi informed the council that he is working on getting quotes for the resurfacing of the tennis courts.
9. The council discussed nuisance properties and follow up action required. City Clerk Hoy was instructed to follow up with the City Attorney Pendergast regarding options concerning a tax sale.

ADJOURNMENT

Schleisman moved, Rego seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 p.m. Motion carried.

Ann Smith, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Denise L. Hoy, City Clerk