

Regular Meeting of the Olds, Iowa City Council
December 1st, 2021

Mayor Raymond Meth called the meeting to order at the Olds City Hall at 6:30 p.m. with council members Jason Waterhouse, Candice Curry, Fred Roth and Theresa Willey. Absent: Ben Fear. Others present: Russell Conrad and Brittany Davis.

Motion by Curry, seconded by Willey to approve the agenda, the minutes of the meeting of November 3rd, 2021, the Treasurer's report for the month of November 2021 and the following list of bills. Carried.

WATER FUND:

Russell Conrad (wages, water turn on)----\$	569.83
Mark Willey (wages, mileage)-----	157.88
Brittany Davis (wages, office supplies)---	374.60
Internal Revenue Service (social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	265.49
IPERS (IPERS)-----	207.16
Alliant Energy (electricity)-----	35.02
Farmers & Merchants (internet)-----	65.99
Rathbun Regional Water Assoc. (water)-----	2,227.50
Hygienic Laboratory (testing water)-----	13.50
Iowa Rural Water Association (dues)-----	225.00
Postmaster (stamps)-----	160.00
4M Plumbing & Heating (water repairs)-----	<u>899.56</u>
Total-----\$	5,201.53

CITY FUND:

Olds Fire Dept. (fire protection)-----	680.00
WEMIGA (garbage collections)-----	1,982.50
Brittany Davis (wages, supplies, postage)---	377.96
Timothy Faller (wages)-----	163.51
Internal Revenue Service (social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	138.05
IPERS (IPERS)-----	106.37
Alliant Energy (electricity)-----	622.39
Windstream (telephone)-----	68.52
Winfield Beacon (publishing)-----	45.03
Cobb Oil (fuel)-----	33.36
Banner Auto (supplies)-----	5.66
Henry County Auditor's Office (elections)---	201.57
Greg Bruty Construction (sidewalk repair)---	<u>3,532.00</u>
Total-----\$	7,956.92

Sewer Fund:

Russell Conrad (wages)-----\$	371.46
Brittany Davis (wages, office supplies)-----	374.36
Mark Willey (wages)-----	129.08
Internal Revenue Service (social security,	

medicare, federal withholding)-----	230.73
IPERS (IPERS)-----	176.57
Alliant Energy(electricity)-----	26.89
Hygienic Laboratory(testing sewage)-----	58.00
J Leu Contracting(jet lagoon pipe)-----	<u>375.00</u>
Total-----\$	1,742.09

Total receipts for the month of November 2021 were: City Funds \$10,685.36; Water Funds \$6,118.14; Sewer Funds \$10,047.64.

Russell reported the unaccounted for water was at 30.19%. Russell stated that part of this is due to draining the water tower for the water tower inspection. Russell also stated that there was a water leak in town that has since been fixed. Russell believes we are looking for several small leaks at this point. Russell stated that Tim did winterize the park this past month. Russell shut off Gary lauger's rental house. Russell went over the water meters that need repaired. Reed Hartzler is still needing his moved to the outside of his fence. Brittany has spoken with Deb Roth to make sure this gets taken care of before winter. Mark read the meters on the 19th of this month and took several samples to the lab. Mark also repaired the water meter at 101 S Main Street. The water leak was on a service line located at 203 E School Avenue. Russell contacted 4M Plumbing and Heating to get this repaired on 11/7/21. It was originally reported by Dave McDowell. Brittany will send this bill onto Dakota & Nikki Starr for payment. If this bill does not get paid we will put a lien on the property. Russell stated that Maguire Iron did get the water tower inspection done this past month. Russell is currently waiting to get the results back. This is the last service inspection we will have with Maguire Iron. In two years we will start getting our inspections done by Viking.

Russell reported he is still putting two bags of enzymes into the city sewer each month. Russell noted that the inlet pipe of cell #1 at the city lagoon was plugged. He contacted Jeremy Leu Contracting and had them come up and jet the pipe. Everything is back to working correctly now. Russell noted he did cover the pits for winter on 11/26/21. Russell reviewed the monthly DNR report with the council.

Brittany spoke with Warner Engineering. Jim stated that they have made it through all of our notes from the smoke testing that was done. There are several things we need to work on. The main thing that needs corrected is we need to install more storm drain tile in town. Warner stated that there is a CBDG grant funding that is available but they have shut off all funds until the second quarter of 2022. We as a city could be eligible for up to \$192,000 in grant money. Warner Engineering will be at our January or February meeting when they have more information to report.

The council reviewed half of the City Code updates. Brittany will send these corrections onto the SEIRPC. We will continue to work on this at our January meeting.

The council went over the invoice from Wesley Barton Construction. Council members all agreed on the cost of the invoices.

Brittany will be paying this invoice out of our Road Use Tax funds and our Local Option Sales Tax next month.

The council discussed increasing wages for 2022. Everyone is fine with what they are currently getting paid.

Brittany received a phone call this past week about Sharon Bright's property. There is a buyer that is going to be purchasing her house and the lot to the west of her house and the lot to the south of her house. He was wanting to put up a slab house as a rental house on the lot to the west of the lot. He also noted that his plan is to turn the shed into a storage unit. He wanted to know if the house that use to sit on the lot to the west of Sharon's house was buried or if it was hauled away. Council all agreed they remember it being hauled away. Brittany will report back to the buyer.

Brittany received a letter from Melvin Tweedy about his car port this past month. He stated that he will fix the issue, but right now does not have the funding to do so. Brittany will send a building permit application (since we did not have one filed), along with a letter stating that we expect this to be done within the next 6 months. We will also thank him for his response to our letter.

Russell stated that they are wanting to close out his dad's estate. They have \$1,000 sitting aside for some type of memorial in town for Lyle. The council thought maybe putting a memorial bench together or a memorial tree. The council will brainstorm ideas and discuss at our next meeting.

Roth reported that LJ Roth offered to put up our city Christmas lights. We just need to let him know if that is ok. Council all agreed that would be great if they could do that. LJ Roth also said that they will also repair the old fire station roof at their own cost. Roth reported that the flag poles are all painted.

Mayor Raymond Meth administered the oath of office to newly elected council member Candice Curry. She will be in office until 12/31/2025.

Mayor Raymond Meth administered the oath of office for the City Clerk and Treasurer Brittany Davis. Her term will be up again 12/31/2025.

Mayor Raymond Meth administered the oath of office for newly elected Mayor Jason Waterhouse. His term will be up again 12/31/2025.

The next regular meeting is set for Wednesday January 5th, 2022, at the Olds City Hall at 6:30 P.M.

Motion by Curry, seconded by Roth the meeting be adjourned.
Carried.

Brittany Davis
Olds City Clerk