

Regular Meeting of the Olds, Iowa City Council
February 2nd, 2022

Mayor Jason Waterhouse called the meeting to order at the Olds City Hall at 6:30 p.m. with council members Ben Fear, Candice Curry, Timothy Breuer and Theresa Willey. Absent: None. Others present: Russell Conrad, Brittany Davis, Fred Roth, Jim Warner and Timothy Faller.

Motion by Fear, seconded by Breuer to approve the agenda, the minutes of the meeting January 5th, 2022 and January 12th, 2022, the Treasurer's report for the month of January 2022 and the following list of bills. Carried.

WATER FUND:

Russell Conrad (wages, returned check)---	\$ 799.40
Brittany Davis (wages, office supplies)---	380.22
Internal Revenue Service (social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	305.44
IPERS(IPERS)-----	229.18
Alliant Energy(electricity)-----	81.46
Farmers & Merchants(internet)-----	131.98
Rathbun Regional Water Assoc.(water)-----	1,999.80
Hygienic Laboratory(testing water)-----	27.00
USA Bluebook(sample test kits)-----	220.94
Safeguard(deposit slips)-----	69.70
White Ninja, LLC(deposit refund)-----	35.54
Total-----	<u>\$ 4,280.66</u>

CITY FUND:

Olds Fire Dept.(fire protection)-----	680.00
WEMIGA(garbage collections)-----	1,982.50
Brittany Davis(wages,supplies, postage)---	389.82
Timothy Faller(wages)-----	107.58
Internal Revenue Service(social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	145.87
IPERS(IPERS)-----	96.15
Alliant Energy(electricity)-----	638.10
Windstream(telephone)-----	67.99
WMPF Group, LLC(publishing)-----	184.33
Kelly Wood CPA(W2's & 1099's for 2021)----	155.00
JD Farms Transport, LLC(snow removal)-----	1,296.25
Safeguard(deposit slips)-----	69.70
Gamrath-Doyle-Vens(bond renewal)-----	143.50
Lynch Dallas, P.C.(legal services)-----	17.50
Total-----	<u>\$ 5,974.29</u>

Sewer Fund:

Russell Conrad(wages)-----	\$ 457.52
Brittany Davis(wages,office supplies)-----	379.84
Internal Revenue Service(social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	270.68
IPERS(IPERS)-----	168.70
Alliant Energy(electricity)-----	29.23

Safeguard(deposit slips)-----	69.70
BES, Inc(enzymes for lagoon)-----	1,500.00
Whide Ninja, LLC(deposit refund)-----	40.50
Total-----\$	<u>2,916.17</u>

Total receipts for the month of January 2022 were: City Funds \$6,088.45; Water Funds \$6,445.86; Sewer Funds \$3,899.25.

Motion by Breuer, seconded by Fear to appoint Fred Roth to fill the current council vacancy seat. Roll Call Vote. AYE: Fear, Curry, Breuer, Willey. NAY: None. Carried.

Citizens forum: Corey Reusch attended the meeting to be considered as a potential council member. Brittany will contact the Henry County Auditor to see how she would like us to handle this. Brittany will let Corey, Fred and the rest of the council know what our next step is.

It was brought up to the council that someone complained about the city streets not being cleared of snow before 7 am. Brittany will give Jason a call and see if we can make sure that the snow is cleared before 7 AM.

Russell reported the unaccounted for water was at 14.29%. This is an improvement from last month but still could be better. Russell went over late payments with the council. Russell reported that he completed as much of the meter relocating as he could do for Reed Hartzler on 1/17/22. He will be able to go back and finish in the spring. Russell also replaced Gary Lauger's rental house water meter. It froze and stopped working. He replaced the meter and billed Lauger for the cost of the meter plus labor costs. Russell reported he read the meters this month and that Tim Faller delivered several samples to the lab on 1/12/22. Russell reported that he ran the water tower over sometime on the 28th. Russell believes that RRW had us on Burlington Water. Russell stated that he has registered for a water distribution class in Washington on March 23rd, 2022. The class is free but we will have to pay Russell for taking a day off of work to attend this meeting.

Russell reported that he is still putting two bags of enzymes into the sewer system each month. He stated that the flow meter inlet is slow due to the cold weather. Russell reviewed the monthly DNR report with the council.

Doug is ready to start the part-time position with the water/sewer department. He contacted Brittany on February 1st, 2022 and Brittany gave him Russell's phone number. Brittany notified Russell about Doug ready to start working and also send Russell Doug's phone number. It was discussed if we need to take samples up to the lab that Tim Faller will take them. If Tim is unable to take them he will let Brittany know and we will find someone who can.

Jim Warner attended the meeting to discuss our sewer situation. He brought information on a Wastewater and Drinking Water Treatment Financial Assistance Program that we could possibly qualify for. Brittany will review and get with Jim and possibly SEIRPC to help us apply for this. Storm sewers and tile drainage is an eligible cost if that solves our sewer/lagoon issues. Brittany asked Jim what the possibility would be repair the storm drain on the corner of Main Street and Railroad Street before spring hits. Jim thought that it might be hard to do that. Once you start your construction part of your loan you

have to have your plan of action put together first.

Jason Hill asked about hooking up a shop floor drain into our city sewer. The council discussed this and the only option for this would be to just have a pit in the shop. The council will not allow any shop drains to be hooked into our city sewer. Brittany will reach out to Jason and let him know.

Brittany reviewed the city budget with the council.

Motion by Curry, seconded by Breuer to set the public hearing for the Proposed Property Tax Levy for Wednesday February 23rd, 2022 at 6:30 P.M. Carried.

The council reviewed the updated ordinance and made notes/changes. Brittany will forward these changes and notes onto Zach at the SEIRPC.

Motion by Breuer, seconded by Willey to approve the contract for legal services through Lynch Dallas, P.C. Carried.

Lyle Conrad's memorial was on the agenda this month. There was no progress with this project this month. We will re-visit at our next regular meeting.

Russell turned in a request for payment for \$290 from the water funds and \$100 from the sewer funds. This would be for hours above and beyond his normal hours worked in a month.

Motion by Curry, seconded by Fear to approve Russell Conrad's request for \$290 from Water Fund and \$100 from Sewer Fund for additional work done in January 2022. Carried.

Parking on Main Street was brought up. Jason stated there are several vehicles that are parking on the side walk on Main Street. Brittany will send a letter to LJ's about this.

Tim Faller noted that he would like to see our job openings listed in the Mt. Pleasant Shopper. The shopper is delivered every Tuesday to everyone in town. He thinks this would be a better place to put our job openings instead of the regular paper.

The next regular meeting is set for Wednesday March 2nd, 2022, at the Olds City Hall at 6:30 P.M.

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

Brittany Davis
Olds City Clerk