

Regular Meeting of the Olds, Iowa City Council
July 14th, 2021

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

Motion by Waterhouse, seconded by Curry to approve the agenda, the minutes of the meeting of June 2nd, 2021 and June 16th, 2021, the Treasurer's report for the month of June 2021 and the following list of bills. Carried. (Roth opposed)

WATER FUND:

Russell Conrad (wages)-----	\$	529.83
Mark Willey (wages, mileage)-----		186.68
Brittany Davis (wages, office supplies)---		377.08
Raymond Meth(wages, per diem)-----		136.19
Candice Curry(per diem)-----		83.03
Fred Roth(per diem)-----		83.11
Jason Waterhouse(per diem)-----		69.26
Ben Fear(per diem)-----		69.26
Theresa Willey(per diem)-----		69.26
Internal Revenue Service (social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----		265.49
IPERS(IPERS)-----		221.31
Farmers & Murchants (internet)-----		131.97
Rathbun Regional Water Assoc.(water)-----		2,164.80
Hygienic Laboratory (testing)-----		27.00
Treasurer - State of IA(withholding)-----		126.00
Treasurer - State of IA(sales tax)-----		1,199.50
USA BlueBook(parts)-----		121.89
Postmaster(stamps)-----		144.00
Iowa DNR(annual water supply fee)-----		37.49
Total-----	\$	<u>6,043.15</u>

CITY FUND:

Olds Fire Dept.(fire protection)-----		680.00
WEMIGA(garbage collections)-----		1,982.50
Brittany Davis(wages,supplies, postage)---		402.72
Raymond Meth(wages, per diem)-----		136.19
Candice Curry(per diem)-----		83.03
Fred Roth(per diem)-----		83.11
Jason Waterhouse(per diem)-----		69.26
Ben Fear(per diem)-----		69.26
Theresa Willey(per diem)-----		69.26
Timothy Faller(wages, material, supplies)-		305.51
Internal Revenue Service(social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----		217.61
IPERS(IPERS)-----		146.48
Alliant Energy(electricity)-----		547.80

Windstream(telephone)-----	69.22
Lorri Conrad(cleaning city hall)-----	30.00
Treasurer - State of IA(withholding)-----	60.00
Iowa One Call(notification services)-----	19.90
Lynch Dallas, P.C.(legal services)-----	280.00
Cobb Oil Co., Inc.(fuel for mowing)-----	121.60
WMPF Group LLC(publishing)-----	87.24
Iowa League of Cities(dues)-----	120.00
Staples(office supplies)-----	28.86
The Winfield Beacon(publishing)-----	74.05
Whitfield & Eddy(legal services)-----	610.50
S.E.I.R.P.C.(annual dues)-----	433.00
Total-----	<u>6,727.10</u>

Sewer Fund:

Russell Conrad(wages)-----	\$ 371.46
Brittany Davis(wages,office supplies)-----	377.68
Mark Willey(wages)-----	129.08
Raymond Meth(wages, per diem)-----	136.19
Candice Curry(per diem)-----	83.03
Fred Roth(per diem)-----	83.11
Jason Waterhouse(per diem)-----	69.26
Ben Fear(per diem)-----	69.26
Theresa Willey(per diem)-----	69.26
Internal Revenue Service(social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	230.73
IPERS(IPERS)-----	190.72
Treasurer-State of IA(withholding)-----	114.00
Treasurer-State of IA(sales tax)-----	148.96
Hygienic Laboratory(testing sewage)-----	196.00
Total-----	<u>2,268.74</u>

Total receipts for the month of June 2021 were: City Funds \$7,334.73; Water Funds \$8,769.80; Sewer Funds \$6,760.69.

Chris White attended the meeting to get clarification on the late water bill notices. Russell and Brittany discussed with him the timeline from when the meter gets read, to when the bills get sent out, to when the payments have to be in the utility drop box and when the late bills will be sent out. He put his bill in a little late and received a late notice/shut off notice. He was concerned that we were going to shut his water off right away. The city assured him as long as you pay your utility bill by the 17th your water will not get shut off.

Russell reported that the unaccounted water was at 12% this past month. Nothing to be worried about at this time. Russell stated that Mark read the meters this past month and took samples to the lab. Russell reviewed the recommendations that were given to us from the Water Supply Survey that was done in March of 2021. Russell also noted that he will starting to take Lead and Copper samples from Tim Faller's residence and Russell Conrad's residence. Russell also received the

Trihalomethanes sample bottles and will need to take these in August.

Russell stated that he has been continuing to put 2 bags of enzymes into the lagoon every month. BES has been sampling the lagoon every Thursday. Russell stated that the influent this past month has been extremely high with all the rain we have gotten. Russell had to start an emergency discharge on July 3rd. Russell stated that our last discharge was on May 6th, we didn't even make it two months before needing to discharge again. Russell reviewed the monthly DNR report with the council.

Brittany received an email on July 1st requesting our strategy/progress plan to make our city lagoon compliant with the DNR's regulations set forth on our NPDES permit. Brittany spoke with Jim Warner about this and put a list of our progress so far. Brittany went over this list with the council and also sent the information to the DNR. We will need to do this again next June 2022.

Brittany received the purchase agreement from Steve Ledinger but there are a few things that need to be changed on it. Brittany will get with Steve and have the corrections made and we will set a public hearing during our next council meeting.

Barton Construction is now backed up due to the weather. It is looking like they will have our main street repairs done late summer - early fall. We will double check with Barton Construction and make sure they are planning on fixing the bad spot in the road on School Ave.

Zach James from the SEIRPC is working on an outline for updating our City Code. Brittany will be sending the ordinances over this month for him to work on. Zach will attend our next meeting to go over the process with the council.

Phil McCormick drafted up a municipal infraction for 203 E. School Avenue. Ray Meth will contact Phil this month and try and get this moving along. Phil also sent over an example of a new weight limit ordinance for School Avenue. The council thinks this would be best if we talk to the SEIRPC about changing this ordinance when we are updating our City Code.

Brittany stated that she did apply for the American Rescue Plan Act funds this past month. We will need to wait and see how and when the money will be distributed. Brittany will update at our next council meeting.

Brittany received some information on a grant opportunity through the Henry County Friends of Conservation. The grant is to be used for beautification or educational purposes. The council is thinking this would be great if we could get some funding to landscape around the city sign at the Park-and-Ride. Brittany will talk to local landscaping companies and get quotes and move forward with the grant application. It is due September 15th.

The City-Wide Picnic will be held on September 18th, 2021 from Noon - 4:00 P.M. Theresa is looking into getting chips donated. L.J. Roth has volunteered to purchase the meat and cook the meat the day of the picnic. Brittany will check with Laura Cobb about getting fountain drinks donated and will also check Kempkers in Mt. Pleasant for prices on renting bounce houses. Candice will continue to research different

activities we can do at the park. A scavenger hunt was also suggested. We will bring more ideas and try to finalize plans at next month's meeting.

Brittany notified the council that Cobb Oil will no longer have you charge your gas to a charge account. We will be getting a card in the mail that will automatically go onto our account. There will be no reason to go into the store and let the cashiers know we are charging gas to our account.

Russell stated that the rock at Tim and Dana Wilson's is pushing water to the adjacent lots and is causing the water to go across the road.

Tim Faller noted that the drainage cleanout by Zeglens is broken. Leichty's knows about this and has it on their list to get fixed.

Brittany will need to talk to Troy Graber about wiring the street lights for our Christmas wreaths.

L.J.'s have volunteered to paint our flag poles.

It was brought up at the council meeting that the Men's house in town has a man living there that is walking and standing in the streets and will not move when cars are coming. He also has been seen drinking beer at the city park. Brittany will notify Ryan Dexter about this.

L.J. wanted to know what size of waterline is on the East side of 218. Russell notified Fred that it is a 2" waterline.

Devin Hudson's old place did finally sell. The bank is currently going through the house and sitting all of his belongings outside. The bank is required to leave his property there for at least 24 hours before disposing of it. They are trying to get the property cleaned up right now.

The next regular meeting is set for Wednesday August 4th, 2021 at the Olds City Hall at 6:30 P.M.

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

Brittany Davis
Olds City Clerk