

Regular Meeting of the Olds, Iowa City Council
March 4th, 2020

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

Motion by Waterhouse, seconded by Fear to approve the agenda, the minutes of the meeting of February 5th, 2020, the Treasurer's report for the month of February 2020 and the following list of bills. Carried.

WATER FUND:

Russell Conrad (wages)-----	529.83
Dale Mullin (wages)-----	204.22
Brittany Davis (wages, office supplies)---	373.79
Internal Revenue Service (social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	278.85
IPERS (IPERS)-----	220.89
Alliant Energy (electricity)-----	75.91
Farmers & Merchants (Internet)-----	1.66
Rathbun Regional Water Assoc. (water)-----	1,509.00
Ann Conrad (mileage)-----	57.60
Hygienic Laboratory (testing)-----	13.00
Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities (dues)-----	553.00
RVS Software (bills)-----	128.47
Chem Gro (propane)-----	265.91
Gamrath-Doyle-Vens Insurance (bond renewal)	143.50
Total-----\$	<u>4,355.63</u>

CITY FUND:

Olds Fire Department (fire protection)----\$	680.00
Brittany Davis (wages, supplies, postage)---	386.39
Internal Revenue Service (social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	104.39
IPERS (IPERS)-----	76.49
Alliant Energy (electricity)-----	615.29
Windstream (telephone)-----	67.45
The Winfield Beacon (publishing)-----	42.00
WMPF Group, LLC (publishing)-----	124.99
Gamrath-Doyle-Vens Insurance (bond renewal)	260.00
WACO After Prom (donation)-----	100.00
Chem Gro (propane)-----	379.05
Jason Unternahrer (snow removal)-----	2,042.50
Total-----\$	<u>4,878.55</u>

Sewer Fund:

Russell Conrad (wages)-----\$	371.46
Brittany Davis (wages, office supplies)-----	373.78
Internal Revenue Service (social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	207.78
IPERS (IPERS)-----	152.97
Alliant Energy (electricity)-----	24.06
Total-----\$	<u>1,130.05</u>

Total receipts for the month of February 2020 were: City Funds \$6,285.93; Water Funds \$6,063.11; Sewer Funds \$3,581.11.

Motion by Fear, Seconded by Willey to approve Resolution number 2020-1 entitled "Adopting the Annual budget FYE June 30th, 2021. Carried.

Russell reported the water meters that need to be repaired as follows: Victory Lane Apartments, William Champney and Ann Conrad.

Russell stated he is still trying to get his computer working correctly since the Windows 10 update last month. It seems his email is the only thing not currently working correctly. Russell thinks that council should consider updating his computer and the printer we use to print off water/sewer bills.

Russell reported he is planning on attending two classes this month, one on March 18th and the other on March 20th.

Russell reviewed the monthly DNR report with the council for the sewer department.

The council discussed which engineer we should go with for our sewer project investigation. The council agreed to use Warner Engineering out of Mt. Pleasant, IA. Brittany will contact them this month and get this process started.

Motion by Waterhouse Seconded by Fear to Approve Ordinance number 4-2AC entitled "Amending Title IV, Chapter 8 Section 1" Roll Call Vote: AYE: Waterhouse, Fear, Willey. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Motion by Waterhouse Seconded by Wiley to waive the second and third readings of Ordinance number 4-2AC entitled "Amending Title IV, Chapter 8 Section 1" Motion Carried.

The council reviewed the burning ordinance and agreed to send it to Phil McCormick to get it finalized. We will re-visit when we receive the ordinance back from McCormick.

The council discussed the old fire station building. It was mentioned that we should look into having the building restored to its original condition. We do need to replace the overhead door and a few rafters and tin.

Motion by Waterhouse Seconded by Fear to approve the purchase and replacement of the overhead door at the old fire station at the cost of \$2,300. Motion Carried.

The council discussed what they wanted to do with the empty city lot on White Street. The council will hire Lance Surveying Services to survey the lot and then the council has agreed to sell the property.

The council discussed the city maintenance employee position. This position would help with the water/sewer daily duties, read water meters monthly, and do the necessary improvements as needed for the city of Olds. The council also discussed purchasing a mower and a trimmer and having this person do the mowing in town and trimming of any trees or bushes that need to be maintained. The council would like to purchase a mower from a company that would do all the maintenance on it such as John Deere. Brittany will contact the two applicants and set-up a date and time that works for interviews.

The council discussed getting the gutters along main street cleaned out again this year. Roth had previously mentioned that LJ Roth's might have a machine that could do this. Meth with talk with Roth and find out the details. It was noted that Nathan Weise has been backing his semi

into his driveway. While doing this it is creating a problem at the corner of Main Street and 3rd Ave. It is starting to tear up the road at this intersection.

School Avenue was discussed about the high volume of semi traffic on it. It was suggested to either put some flags on our weight limit sign, put some rock on the corners of the street so the semi's can't get in, or move a large cinderblock to the southeast side of the corner so that semi's cannot make that turn. Meth will get the block set in place this month and see if that seems to make a difference.

Brittany has sent the ad to the paper for mowing bids. M & M Mowing is still interested in mowing the city properties, as of right now this is the only bid we have received. We will discuss mowing again at our next meeting.

The weeds underneath the city playground was discussed. Roth knows someone in the rubber industry that might be able to give us a price for a rubber flooring under our equipment. He will talk to his contact and report back at our next council meeting. This would be something we could apply for Enhance Henry County Grant funding for.

Motion by Fear Seconded by Willey to set the dates for burning leaves from April 1st - May 1st. Motion Carried 2 Ayes, 1 Nay.

The date has been set for the Olds City Wide Clean-Up for April 11th, 2020.

The City of Olds will host their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday April 11th, 2020 at the Olds City Park at 1:00 P.M.

The edges of the roads were discussed along Main Street, specifically in front of the business area. The council agrees this needs to be fixed. It needs to be cut down so the water drains away property and re-asphalted. We will talk to L.L. Pelling about this when they come to town. This might be something we need grant money for depending on the size of the project.

The Christmas Lighted Wreaths will be arriving mid-March. We will need a fork lift or a bunch of manpower to unload these. Brittany will contact Roth when we know for sure what day they will be arriving to get this setup.

The next regular meeting is set for Wednesday April 8th, 2020 at the Olds City Hall at 6:30 P.M.

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

Brittany Davis
Olds City Clerk