

Regular Meeting of the Olds, Iowa City Council  
November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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

Motion by Waterhouse, seconded by Fear to approve the agenda, the minutes of the meeting of October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019, the Treasurer's report for the month of October 2019 and the following list of bills. Carried.

WATER FUND:

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| Russell Conrad(wages, returned check)-----                                       | 549.83   |
| Dale Mullin(wages)-----  | 204.22   |
| Brittany Davis(wages,office supplies)-----                                       | 375.35   |
| Internal Revenue Service(social security,<br>medicare, federal withholding)----- | 324.38   |
| IPERS(IPERS)-----  | 220.89   |
| Alliant Energy(electricity)-----   | 27.98    |
| Farmers and Merchants(internet)-----   | 47.89    |
| Rathbun Regional Water Assoc.(water)-----  | 1,512.00 |
| Hygienic Laboratory(testing)-----  | 13.00    |
| L.J. Roth Reconstruction(repairs)-----   | 680.80   |
| RVS Software(billing cards)-----   | 128.47   |
| Stacy Peterman(deposit refund)-----  | 75.00    |
| Ann Conrad(mileage)-----   | 28.80    |
| Total-----\$   | 4,188.61 |

CITY FUND:

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| Olds Fire Department(fire protection)----\$                                      | 680.00   |
| WEMIGA(garbage collection)-----  | 1,916.70 |
| Brittany Davis(wages,supplies, postage<br>Bathroom signs)-----                   | 448.45   |
| Thomas Curry(maintenance work)-----  | 207.79   |
| Internal Revenue Service(social security,<br>medicare, federal withholding)----- | 162.54   |
| IPERS(IPERS)-----  | 76.49    |
| Alliant Energy(electricity)-----   | 605.19   |
| Windstream(telephone)-----   | 67.97    |
| WMPF Group, LLC(publishing)-----   | 183.81   |
| Iowa One Call(notification services)-----  | 31.50    |
| M & M Mowing(mowing)-----  | 655.00   |
| Reichenbach Painting(painting city hall)--                                       | 1,650.00 |
| Winfield Beacon(publishing)-----   | 119.50   |
| Greg Bruty Construction, LLC(replace old<br>Tile under sidewalks)-----           | 2,768.00 |
| Winfield Builders Supply(supplies)-----  | 42.33    |
| Whitfield & Eddy(legal services)-----  | 92.50    |
| Total-----\$   | 9,707.77 |

Sewer Fund:

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| Russell Conrad(wages)-----   | \$ | 371.46          |
| Brittany Davis(wages,office supplies)-----                                       |    | 375.21          |
| Internal Revenue Service(social security,<br>medicare, federal withholding)----- |    | 253.31          |
| IPERS(IPERS)-----  |    | 152.97          |
| Alliant Energy(electricity)-----   |    | 53.30           |
| M & M Mowing(mowing lagoon)-----   |    | 240.00          |
| Ipers(re-write old check)-----   |    | 152.97          |
| Ann Conrad(mileage)-----   |    | 28.80           |
| Total-----   | \$ | <u>1,628.02</u> |

Total receipts for the month of October 2019 were: City Funds \$21,203.12; Water Funds \$6,456.49; Sewer Funds \$3,691.30.

Dave & Lisa McDowell attended the meeting to discuss their neighbors across the street (Clayton Davis). Lisa stated that their dogs keep coming onto their property and pooping. Their dogs have mange/fleas and have not been vaccinated. Lisa stated that the neighbors have rats in their house and that the Davis family is blaming their rat problem on Dave and Lisa McDowell's horses. Dave and Lisa McDowell did file a police report on this issue and the Henry County Sheriff's office is requesting the dogs vaccination records.

Russell noted that the unaccounted water is back to its normal range. The unaccounted for water this past month was at 12.78%.

Russell went over late payments and his shut off list with the council.

Russell reported William Shampney's meter needs replaced. Russell also stated that he is now speaking to 4M about getting the curb stop box by Jason Hills fixed. We now have 4M's certificate of insurance on file.

Russell stated that several of the meter access issues that we discussed last month have been cleared up.

Russell went out of town this past month and thanked Jason for helping him with the meter reading and chlorine testing. He also noted that Dale will be able to help again in November.

Russell took the pre-draw samples from the lagoon on October 9<sup>th</sup>, but our TSS levels were too high. He did re-take the tests on October 31<sup>st</sup>. This will push back our discharge time back to the middle of December.

Motion by Faller, seconded by Roth to approve the FYE 2019 Annual Financial Report. Carried.

Motion by Waterhouse, seconded by Curry to hire Jason Unternahrer to remove snow this winter. Carried.

The progress on 4<sup>th</sup> street was discussed and we have seen some improvements. The old school house is working on getting their property picked up. Buck mowed his yard, and all the meters looked better this past month. We will continue to monitor these property for improvement.

The drainage issues in town were discussed. There have been a lot of old drainage tile replaced on the southwest part of town. Greg Bruty did a great job! This should help drain most of the south part of town. Leichty & Son still have to install an inlet to help drain the corner on Smith Street. We also still need to camera the tile by Gladys Enslows property.

City street cleaning needs to get done, but we need to get the Iowa

DOT contacted about this before we can start this process.

Phil McCormick updates. Shampney appeared in court on November 5<sup>th</sup> and stated he does have the money to tear down the garage. He has until November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 to get this done or the city will take over and get it done for him. We will review this again at our next council meeting. The other issues that Phil McCormick is working on have not been finalized yet.

Curry noted that all the picnic tables at the city park have been painted. L.J. Roth Reconstruction painted the bathroom doors at the city park and also replaced the door at the water pump shed for Russell. We will be sending a Thank-You card to L.J. Roth Reconstruction for all their donated work on the north shelter house at the park.

The handicap sign still needs to be painted, Curry stated they need more guidance to get this done.

The council discussed Thomas Curry. It was brought to the council's attention that he was drinking alcohol while painting the city picnic tables. The council all agrees that this is grounds for immediate termination of his employment with the city.

Motion by Faller, seconded by Waterhouse to terminate the employment of Thomas Curry. Carried.

We will start looking for a replacement maintenance worker now. The council would like to have a more formal interview with our next candidate. The council would also like this new maintenance worker to help Russell with his duties and reading water meters.

Fred Roth took the City Hall sign down and made the necessary repairs it needed. He is just putting it all back together before it goes back up.

Brittany has submitted the grant applications to The Washington County Foundation and also the Enhance Henry County Foundation for our lighted Christmas wreaths. We are waiting to hear back from those.

The City brush pile has a lot of paint cans, contractor bags, tires etc. in it that does not belong. The council discussed this issue and decided that we need to start locking the gate again. Anyone who lives within the city limits will now need to contact a council member to get access to the city brush pile. We are hoping this helps keep the brush pile simply a brush pile. We will need to get some more keys made for all the council members so that when they are contacted someone can go open the gate. Brittany will post a sign at City Hall and the Post Office stating the gate will be locked from now on.

Faller noted there have been a lot of semi traffic on School Avenue. We are not sure how we can fix this issue. The comment was made to possibly contact the trucking companies directly to let them know they cannot drive on that road.

The next regular meeting is set for Wednesday December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at the Olds City Hall at 6:30 P.M.

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

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY CLERK

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MAYOR