

Regular Meeting of the Olds, Iowa City Council  
October 2<sup>nd</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 and Brittany Davis.

Motion by Faller, seconded by Roth to approve the agenda, the minutes of the meeting of September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019, the Treasurer's report for the month of September 2019 and the following list of bills. Carried.

WATER FUND:

Russell Conrad(wages, returned check)-----	549.83
Dale Mullin(wages)-----	204.22
Brittany Davis(wages,office supplies)-----	372.94
Raymond Meth(wages, per diem)-----	94.63
Candice Curry(per diem)-----	41.52
Ben Fear(per diem)-----	27.70
Fred Roth(per diem)-----	27.70
Jason Waterhouse(per diem)-----	41.56
Timothy Faller(per diem)-----	41.56
Internal Revenue Service(social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	278.85
IPERS(IPERS)-----	227.97
Alliant Energy(electricity)-----	26.94
Farmers and Merchants(internet)-----	46.61
Rathbun Regional Water Assoc.(water)-----	2,109.00
Treasurer-State of IA(withholding)-----	126.00
Treasurer-State of IA(sales tax)-----	1,170.37
Ann Conrad(mileage)-----	28.80
Hygienic Laboratory(testing)-----	13.00
Municipal Supply, Inc(parts & supplies)---	1,780.58
L.J. Roth Reconstruction(repairs)-----	1,146.06
Chem Gro(propene)-----	68.79
Betty Garmore(deposit refund)-----	75.00
Lexi Deppe(deposit refund)-----	29.05
Total-----\$	8,528.68

CITY FUND:

Olds Fire Department(fire protection)----\$	680.00
WEMIGA(garbage collection)-----	1,916.70
Brittany Davis(wages,supplies, postage)---	375.82
Raymond Meth(wages, per diem)-----	94.63
Candice Curry(per diem)-----	41.52
Fred Roth(per diem)-----	27.70
Jason Waterhouse(per diem)-----	41.56
Ben Fear(per diem)-----	27.70
Timothy Faller(per diem)-----	41.56
Thomas Curry(maintenance work)-----	76.18
Internal Revenue Service(social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	104.39
IPERS(IPERS)-----	83.56
Alliant Energy(electricity)-----	618.70

Windstream(telephone)-----	67.88
Treasurer-State of IA(withholding)-----	60.00
L.J. Roth Reconstruction(repairs)-----	156.37
Winfield Builders Supply(paint supplies)--	107.22
The Winfield Beacon(publishing)-----	155.98
Whitfield & Eddy(legal services)-----	414.00
Lorri Conrad(cleaning & supplies)-----	52.47
Chem Gro(propene)-----	157.14
Total-----\$	<u>5,301.08</u>

Sewer Fund:

Russell Conrad(wages)-----\$	371.46
Brittany Davis(wages,office supplies)-----	373.06
Raymond Meth(wages, per diem)-----	94.63
Candice Curry(per diem)-----	41.52
Fred Roth(per diem)-----	27.70
Jason Waterhouse(per diem)-----	41.56
Ben Fear(per diem)-----	27.70
Timothy Faller(per diem)-----	41.56
Internal Revenue Service(social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	207.78
IPERS(IPERS)-----	160.05
Alliant Energy(electricity)-----	60.35
Top Notch Lawn Care(spraying @ lagoon)-----	285.00
Treasurer-State of IA(withholding)-----	114.00
Treasurer-State of IA(sales tax)-----	153.68
Betty Garmore(deposit refund)-----	75.00
Lexi Deppe(deposit refund)-----	36.82
Total-----\$	<u>2,111.87</u>

Total receipts for the month of September 2019 were: City Funds \$9,985.50; Water Funds \$6,953.52; Sewer Funds \$4,006.44.

Russell noted that the unaccounted for was lower this month. Russell reviewed with the council the late charge report and the list of meters that that need replaced. Those are as follows: David Schlatters apartment buildings need installed, and William Champney water meter not working. Russell did replace meters at Johnathan Haley's and Jason Hills this past month.

Russell reported that Troy Graber backed over Jason Hill's curb stop box on September 10<sup>th</sup>. Sheldon Miller came over and looked at it but will fix when he gets out of the hospital.

Russell stated he read the meters this past month. Russell stated that Dale will not be reading meters any longer. We should look into making this a job for our city maintenance employee or hiring someone else to help Russell. Russell thinks it would be a good idea to hire an outsourced utility employee who can take care of the DNR regulations for the city when Russell is ready to retire.

Russell took several pictures of properties where it is almost impossible to read their water meters. Brittany will send a letter to each resident along with a picture of the property that needs to get

cleaned up.

Russell noted he had 14 one calls during the month of September.

Russell stated that he would like to discharge in November as long as the sample results come back within the DNR limits.

Motion by Fear, seconded by Curry to approve Resolution number 2019-4 Entitled "Approving the Application for the purpose of receiving benefits from the Washington County Riverboat Foundation." AYE: Fear, Curry, Waterhouse, Roth, Faller. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

The council reviewed several properties in town and found there is a lot of improvement that needs done. Those are as follows:

- Old school house needs to have the tires removed from the property, the rocks and cinders removed from the property, the junk vehicles removed from the property, and the grass and weeds need to be trimmed up.
- Mike Bucks property needs to have the weeds trimmed down to less than 12", and the tires and miscellaneous items on property cleaned up.
- David Vargas has a storage container sitting in the city right-of-way that needs to be moved.
- L.J. Roth Reconstruction needs to get the dumpsters organized behind the old school house.
- Clayton Davis has T.V.'s, mattresses and several piles of miscellaneous items around his yard that need to be cleaned up.

Brittany will send a letter to these individuals and get these properties cleaned up. We will review at next months meeting.

Motion by Waterhouse, seconded by Roth to set the date for burning leaves from October 15<sup>th</sup> to December 1<sup>st</sup>. Motion carried.

Motion by Faller, seconded by Curry to set the date for Trick-or-Treating for Thursday October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019 from 5:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. Motion Carried.

The council discussed the drainage issues in town. Roth reported he did dig up a clay tile on the NW corner of 102 South Smith Street. He took pictures of what he found so that he can report back to Leichty & Son Construction. There is a tile that runs underneath the middle of Smith Street that goes north just past the row of trees on Ideal Concrete's and Agri-Center's property. Roth thinks if we run a tile from the SE corner of 401 Circle Drive (Nathan Luitjens property) and head north to hookup to the tile on Agri-Center's property it should drain the water away from Luitjens and Reusch property. He will talk to Kurt Leichty about getting a quote put together for this. Waterhouse and Roth looked at the culverts in town and there are several that need repairs or replaced. Roth got a estimate from Greg Bruty Construction to repair the culverts and fix the sidewalks on top of those culverts.

Motion by Faller, seconded by Waterhouse to accept the estimate to remove and replace the sidewalks and the 6" tile culverts under sidewalks in town for the price of \$1,880.00." Motion carried.

Brittany went over the updates from Phil McCormick. They are as follows:

- The ordinance work on burning in town. The council reviewed what Phil McCormick had put together and made the following corrections: Omit the sentence stating "Burning shall be permitted in individual trash containers and incinerators, provided that the City Council

has authorized the burning of YARD WASTE and/or DISASTER RUBBISH." We would like to add to this ordinance: Burn barrels are not permitted within city limits. Recreational campfires are acceptable when burning wood only.

- The council reviewed the change to our sanitary sewer charges if filling a swimming pool. The council discussed and agreed upon that the individual that is filling his/her pool needs to fill out an application with the City Clerk before doing so. This will allow the water department to adjust the bill accordingly and allow the city to keep track of when they fill their pools (once a year a resident can fill a pool and get the sewer charge decreased.)
- Alleys in town is still being reviewed by Phil McCormick.

Brittany will take the changes made by the council to Phil McCormick for further review. We will discuss again at next months meeting.

The city street cleaning needs to get done. Before we can do that we need to get ahold of the Iowa DOT and see when they can come break-up the mud/sand along main street first. Once this is complete we can have Rick Mullen come in to clean them.

The council discussed the city maintenance job list and has added the following:

- Paint the bathroom doors at the North Shelter house at the park
- Clean-up trash along School Avenue

Conrad and Faller both noted that there are a lot of pot holes at the city Park-and-Ride that need to be looked at, along with the liner showing from underneath the rock. Possibly need to put more rock down.

Russell noted there has been water standing underneath the water tower. We might need to see about fixing the drainage issue there as well.

Russell stated that the door at the pump shed needs to be repaired or replaced. Fred will look at it and try and get a quote to replace it.

Faller noted there are a lot of pot holes and uneven surfaces along Main Street. Mostly in front of L.J. Roth's and the Post Office. Since this is a high traffic area we should look into getting these fixed.

The next regular meeting is set for Wednesday November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 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