

Regular Meeting of the Olds, Iowa City Council - September 14, 2022
Olds, Iowa City Hall

Mayor Jason Waterhouse call the meeting to order at the Olds City Hall at 6:30 p.m. with council members Ben Fear, Candice Curry, Tim Breuer, and Theresa Willey present. Absent: Fred Roth. Others Present: Russell Conrad, Brittany Davis, Doug Egbert and Beverly Conrad.

Appointment

Fear moved and Curry second a motion to approve appointment of Beverly Conrad as City Clerk. 4 ayes. Motion carried. Thereafter Mayor Waterhouse gave the Oath of Office to Beverly Conrad.

Consent Agenda

Fear moved and Curry second a motion to approve the agenda, minutes of August 3, 2022, Treasurer's Report and the follow list of bills. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

WATER FUND:

Russell Conrad (wages, water turn on)----\$	569.83
Doug Egbert(wages)-----	129.08
Brittany Davis (wages,office supplies,postage)	388.48
Internal Revenue Service (social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	265.49
IPERS(IPERS)-----	207.16
Alliant Energy(electricity)-----	23.87
Rathbun Regional Water Assoc.(water)-----	2,630.10
Farmers & Merchants(internet)-----	67.97
Chem-Gro (propane)-----	819.52
Iowa Dept. of Revenue(July/Aug. Water Tax)	766.61
Total-----\$	5,868.11

CITY FUND:

Olds Fire Dept (fire protection)-----	680.00
WEMIGA (garbage collection)-----	2,081.62
Brittany Davis(wages,supplies, postage, Office supplies)-----	389.08
Timothy Faller(wages)-----	348.55
Internal Revenue Service(social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	146.47
IPERS(IPERS)-----	140.19
Alliant Energy(electricity)-----	668.98
Windstream(telephone)-----	69.05
Winfield Beacon(publishing)-----	43.61
4-H Wood Products(mulch)-----	900.00
Banner Auto(supplies)-----	15.97
Cobb Oil Co., LLC(fuel for mowing)-----	24.24
L.J. Roth Construction (carpet cleaning)--	195.00
Reschly Construction Corp (haul mulch) ---	175.00
Chem-Gro (propoane)-----	1,272.60

Lynch Dallas PC (legal services)-----	440.00
Total-----\$	<u>7,590.36</u>

Sewer Fund:

Russell Conrad(wages)-----	\$ 371.46
Brittany Davis(wages,office supplies)-----	387.26
Doug Egbert(wages)-----	129.08
Internal Revenue Service(social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	230.73
IPERS (IPERS)-----	176.57
Alliant Energy(electricity)-----	<u>24.63</u>
Total-----\$	1,319.73

Total receipts for the month of August 2022 were: City Funds \$22,125.99; Water Funds \$6,160.69; Sewer Funds \$3,910.13.

Utility Reports-

Water

Russell Conrad provided quotes for water meter replacement per meter as follows: Miller & Sons @ \$45, (without fittings), McCoy Plumbing @ \$98.77 (with fittings) and Heating and 4M Plumbing and Heating @ \$128.96 (with fittings). Fear moved and Breuer second a motion to accept quote from Miller & Sons. 4 ayes. Motion carried. Meters are on hand and will be furnished to contractor as part of a three year project to replace meters in Olds and Swedesburg. Affected Property Owners will be notified that per City Ordinance 4-1A, the property owner is responsible for all cost from the curb to the home (includes shut off valves and all necessary equipment inside the dwelling/building). A copy of the ordinance will be enclosed with the notice.

Russell reported the following:

Unaccounted for water 20%, water usage was 800,000 which is higher than normal usage. Unaccounted for has been holding around 15% for several months. 30 late charges this month, Doug Read meters on 8/20 and Tim delivered water samples to lab on 8/10. Two water meters need repaired in Swedesubrg. Water lead behind McCoy Plumbing will need action in the future. 33 Iowa One call locates were completed (Dale helped for five hours, 24 were due to F & M Fiber Option project in Swedesburg).

Need to dig up curb stop at Swedesburg Parish Hall. It is 12-14" deep and needs to raise up and redo. Also need to try to find the curb stop by the Museum Julbock.

Sewer

Continue to use two bags of enzymes monthly. Need to replace two 10' gates at lagoon entrance. Possibly purchased from Winfield Builders and have Tim install. Reviewed DNR report.

Employee Evaluation

Doug Egbert was asked by Council his opinion of the job so far. Doug stated he liked it and would like to learn more about how the system works and be able to work towards getting Grade I Water Distribution license to be certified so he could take over for Russell in the future hopefully.

NPDES

Brittany passed on from Engineer Jim Warner that J Leu hopes to be here next month to finish camera work on sewer lines in Olds. Areas of concern are storm connection by McCoy's and south side by lagoon.

Res. 2022-3

Fear moved and Willey second a motion to approve Res. 2022-3 "Public Funds Depository Resolution". 4 ayes. Motion carried.

203 E School Street

Quotes were received from Dave Calhoun for \$3895 (tentative start date October 14th) and LJ Roth for \$4950 for debris removal at 203 E Second Street (start next week). Breurer moved and Curry second a motion to approve LJ Roth quote for \$4950. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Memorial

Continued use for Lyle Conrad Memorial Fund: The baby swings at park are in use and look great. Would like to consider new water fountain at south pavilion. Council member Willey will look into what available and pricing.

City Code Update

Council reviewed City Code pages 71-220. Will continue next month.

WiFi

Curry moved and Breuer second a motion to upgrade internet to 80MB, add WiFi and set up new clerk email account through F & M Telephone Co. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Trick or Treat

Fear moved and Breuer second a motion to set City Wide Trick or Treat night for Saturday, October 29th from 5:30 – 7:00 pm. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Leaf Burning

Curry moved and Willey second a motion to set November 1 – December 15 to burn leaves. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Computers

Council directed clerk to dispose of old and outdated computers/equipment. Clerk will research software options for City Financials (QuickBooks, ClerkBooks, etc) and report to Council.

Other

Clerk directed to send letter to 203 W 4th Street regarding mowing, weeds and property clean-up.

Adjourn

Breuer moved and Fear second a motion to adjourn. 4 ayes. Motion carried. Next meeting will be October 12, 2022 in Olds City Hall at 6:30 pm.

Attest: _____
CITY CLERK

MAYOR

