

Woodward City Council Regular Session  
Monday October 9, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Folkerts called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present: Godwin, Patel, Gough, Kirts. Absent: Stone.

Motion Godwin to approve agenda as presented. 2<sup>nd</sup> Patel. MCU

Motion Gough to approve September 11, 2023 minutes with correction to page 2, paragraph 4, changing "the" to "he". 2<sup>nd</sup> Godwin. MCU.

Council recognizes Mike Green, Lions Club. Mike thanked Chris Newland and Austin Manders for helping placing the sign at the trail. Mike reports that the Lions Club is currently working on budgeting upcoming projects. They meet this Thursday, September 12, 2023 at 7:00 pm. Please attend to share ideas on improvement projects that the Lions Club can initiate. Furthermore, the Lions Club meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm. Council recognizes Merle Shawd. Shawd inquires on election candidates. Council reports that elections are not to be discussed during council sessions. Patel states that Shawd can contact the County Auditor to get a list of candidates for upcoming election. Shawd also asks if any meetings have been scheduled with the candidates to discuss past and future plans for the city. Council states that nothing has been planned for such event. Shawd then asks why the Diamond Oil fuel bill is so high for the city. Mayor Folkerts and Council explains that the fuel that is being paid for is being used both by the city and the school. The City Clerk bills the school for their usage to cover the cost.

Mary Bustad reports that he siding project at the Depot has been completed. Painting started today. Councilmember Godwin asks the council their thoughts on amending the parking ordinance that was approved last month based on an email from Melissa Piper requesting an additional block be added to the parking regulations. Council states that they would take a few days to drive by and observe the parking/traffic in that specific area before moving forward to amend the ordinance.

Mayor Folkerts reports that Beggars night will be Tuesday October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6pm to 8pm. Open burning will be October 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup> then November 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 3pm. High Trestle Trail Reseeding is still being conducted. There have been concerns with the sub-contractor and performance. Snyder has been working with the city, DOT, and the contractor. This may result in the city doing the work themselves and this being deducted from the remaining fees due to Howrey. Concession stand building at the ball diamonds has been completed. MAFCO provided a quote for the inside construction but was decided that the work can be done cheaper if city employees complete it themselves. This will be a project for the public works department through the winter. Eco-Park recertification process is still moving forward. Mayor is working on getting the Boost Grant committee back together again to discuss how to best utilize the \$10,000 grant money. Lastly, the roof at the water treatment plant has been replaced and repairs are completed. Councilmember Godwin also reports that the land around the Resource Center may possibly be put up for public sale. Godwin has been in communication with the business director regarding the land. Godwin also inquires about an area around the High Trestle Trail that has yet to be completed to specs. Mayor asks him to send him photos and asks clerk to send it off to Snyder. Gough asks if any new procedures have been put in place to prevent further incidents with the discharge at the water plant. Mayor states that he will have to consult with Chris Newland on this.

Motion Gough to discuss Final Consideration of Ordinance 23-423 Mayor Compensation. 2<sup>nd</sup> Godwin. MCU. Gough clarifies that this change in pay is only effective once the new term has commenced. Rate of pay cannot change during current terms. Motion Gough to approve Final Consideration of Ordinance 23-423. 2<sup>nd</sup> Patel. Roll Call; Ayes: Godwin, Patel, Gough, Kirts. Motion carries 4:0

Motion Godwin to First Consideration of Ordinance 23-424 Manner of Publication. 2<sup>nd</sup> Kirts. Mayor Folkerts explains this ordinance replaces AJ's Grocery with Cayenne's Café for the posting requirements for publications due to the retirement and closing of AJ's Grocery. Motion Godwin to approve first consideration of Ordinance 23-424 Manner of Publication. 2<sup>nd</sup> Kirts. Roll Call; Aye: Patel, Gough, Kirts, Godwin. Motion carries 4:0.

Motion Patel to discuss Resolution 2023-39 Bank Signatures. 2<sup>nd</sup> Gough. MCU. This resolution is presented to add MaDonna Rickels to the Ebank and City State Bank accounts. Motion Kirts to table resolution due to conflict of interest of voting members. 2<sup>nd</sup> Patel. MCU.

Motion Gough to approve payment of bills as presented. Second Kirts. Roll Call; Aye: Gough, Kirts, Godwin. Abstain: Patel. Motion carries 3:0.

Mayor Council Comments: Mayor covers a few of the marks that the auditor showed concern for during the audit last month including fire department payments, LMI balances, utility billing ordinances, bond referendum for vehicle leases and publishing revenues. Attorney Dalen states that the ordinance concerns are easily fixed, as well as the clerk stating that the publishing revenues will be fixed starting with the next publishing of minutes. City clerk reports that the monies that were allotted to the Farmers' Market has been accounted for and what was not spent, was returned to the city. Councilmember Patel states that he is concerned about the amount of bills that we have received for pest control and would like to look further into that. He also thanks the council, mayor, city employees, community, and Mary Bustad for dedicating time to celebrate his retirement. Mayor wishes good luck to all the candidates in the upcoming election.


Motion Godwin to adjourn. 2<sup>nd</sup> Patel. MCU. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.

CLAIMS REPORT

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
A J'S GROCERY	SUPL	89.45
ACADEMY ROOFING & SHEET METAL	CLAIM MAINT	2,666.33
ACCESS SYSTEMS	EQUIP	140.27
AFLAC	AFLAC	832.66
AGSOURCE COOP SERVICES	TEST	828.65
ALLIANT ENERGY	UTIL	7,845.15
AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOC	DUES	247
BANLEACO	RENT	152.37
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UTIL	251.1
BLASER ELECTRICAL SERVICE	ELECT	1,523.14
BOMGAARS	SUPL	415.93
BOONE COUNTY LANDFILL	DUES	6,730.00
CITY OF WOODWARD	POSTAGE	7.9
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	MISC	1,474.34
COOKING LIGHT	SUBSC	25
DIAM PEST CONTROL	PEST	313

DIAMOND OIL COMPANY	FUEL	5,448.94
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	7,405.19
FINNESETH DALEN & POWELL PLC	LEGAL	2,703.00
GLOBE LIFE LIBERTY NAT	LIBERTY	132.86
GUTHRIE CO REC	UTIL	29.66
GWORKS	SFTWR	7,385.00
IOWA ASSN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	DUES	567
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	TRNG	50
IOWA ONE CALL	ONECALL	41.4
IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES	SIGNS	4,688.90
IPERS	IPERS	7,141.96
ITRON INC	MAINT	1,686.02
JARED STONE ELITE CONSTRUCTION	MAINT	14,170.00
LOGAN CONTRACTORS SUPPLY INC	SUPL	585.04
MAFCO BUILDERS	CONSTR	22,570.00
MENARDS GRIMES	SUPL	41.06
MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING	ADVERT	52.4
MINBURN TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC	PHONE	948.33
MOTOR PARTS WAREHOUSE	SUPL	323.91
NAI ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS	MAINT	3,583.56
CAPITAL ONE TRADE CREDIT	SUPL	191.89
NSF CHECKS	NSF CHECKS	5
RHONDA AUXIER	I&I	800
STOREY KENWORTHY/MATT PARROTT	SUPL	821.3
THE IOWAN	SUBSC	24
TREASURER EXCISE TAX	EXCISE TAX	786.85
TREASURER, STATE OF IOWA	STATE TAXES	1,705.29
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	979.29
VAN WALL EQUIPMENT INC	MAINT	80.19
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	PROF SERV	9,091.10
VERIZON WIRELESS	PHONE	166.42
WALTERS SANITARY SERVICE	GARBAGE	7,065.87
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHI	INSURANCE	4,232.15
WOODWARD POST OFFICE	POSTAGE	268
CITY OF WOODWARD	POSTAGE	45.55
WOODWARD RESOURCE CENTER	WTR	3,857.70
WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS	TRNG	225
Accounts Payable Total		133,442.12
	Refund Checks Total	
Total Paid On: 9/15/23		11,029.22
Total Paid On: 9/29/23		11,441.37
Total Payroll Paid		22,470.59
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		155,912.71

GENERAL	59,533.17
ROAD USE TAX	8,297.85
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	2,138.47
LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	41,032.04
WATER	22,240.87
SEWER	20,696.21
STORM SEWER	1,974.10
TOTAL FUNDS	155,912.71
GENERAL TOTAL	3,403.11
DEBT SERVICE TOTAL	5,208
WATER TOTAL	7,722.46
SEWER TOTAL	7,335.21
STORM SEWER TOTAL	775.29
TOTAL REVENUE	24,444.07



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Amy Orr, City Clerk



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Attest: Todd Folkerts, Mayor