Mayor

Tim Stearns

"A Valley
Of
Friendliness"



COUNCIL MEMBERS

Adam Blackburn
Jackie Hagberg
Wren Hoffman
Kevin Pieters
Cory Schurman

The Steamboat Rock City Council met in regular session November 8th, 2021, 6:30 p.m. in the City Council chambers and available via zoom due to COVID-19 restrictions. Present were Mayor Stearns and the following council members: Adam Blackburn, Jackie Hagberg, Wren Hoffman, Kevin Pieters, and Cory Schurman, absent: no one. Also present were Scott Williams, Craig Babcock, JJ Veld, and Renee Oltrogge.

Mayor Stearns called the meeting to order. Schurman moved, seconded by Pieters to approve the posted agenda. Absent: no one. Motion carried unanimously.

Pieters moved to approve the October 11th, 2021 minutes. Schurman seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Blackburn moved, Hagberg seconded the motion to approve the City bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Hours were presented for Renee Oltrogge, City Clerk and Kelly Haskin, Water/Sewer Supervisor. Blackburn moved, Pieters seconded the motion to approve hours as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Public comments: Hagberg advised the Art in the Park has been moved from June 25th to July 2nd. Pieters asked if the trophy cases can be kept in either the restaurant area or in the junior high locker room. Mayor Stearns advised the two in the lobby are staying there and the one in the café can be moved wherever the committee wants it to be moved.

Shane Blythe discussed with the council a new contract to have all dumpster rates go up to \$45 per dumpster. Then the City needs to upcharge to cover the direct payments for tonnage and recycling to the landfill. Blackburn advised the city cannot change rates until July 2022, and Blythe is asking to change their rates now so that needs to be on our minds when we discuss the new rates.

Melissa Johanson, Librarian did not have a report due to no Board meeting. PO's request for approval for 20211102 Mid-American Publishing \$55.00, Baker & Taylor \$359.52. Pieters moved, Blackburn seconded the motion to approve the PO's as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Scott Williams, Fire Chief presented the Fire Department report stating #652 was serviced and operating issues were detected. An appointment was set for 2-3 weeks out. This truck will be repaired at Breda, IA. Department assisted with the Haunted Hospital parking in Eldora. LP line has been repaired and buried. Will conduct hose pressure testing over the next few weeks. Planning Breakfast with Santa on Dec. 4 jointly with the Visionary Group at the Boat Club from 8:30 am – 10 am with Annual Christmas sacks to be handed out. Unit #653 had all glow-plugs replaced and unit is back into operation. PO's requested for approval #77 Napa \$150.00, #78 Sandry Fire Supply \$1327.50, #79. Schurman moved, Hagberg seconded the motion to approve PO's as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

JJ Veld presented the public works report stating the bucket for the end loader has been delivered. Veld said to get ready for winter is to straighten the dump box and put on the plow. Blackburn asked about the generator and Schurman advised it was in the shed.

The 2nd reading of The Noise Ordinance. Mayor Stearns suggested some minor revisions. Schurman moved, Blackburn seconded the motion to approve Noise Ordinance as presented with corrections. Roll call -

Blackburn- aye, Hagberg- aye, Hoffman- aye, Pieters-aye, and Schurman- aye. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one. The revised ordinance will be posted for public review prior to the third and final reading.

Concession Stand Roof had a tree limb fall on it and we are collecting bids to fix the roof.

Mayor Stearns advised it is still an open discussion on the shipping containers as a storage solution in town. Research has shown many town's in Iowa are having the same discussions, but no code has been written specifically yet. Schurman and Pieters discussed the appearance of them and suggested adding them to our current building code. Blackburn likes the idea of having them on a level concrete foundation, Schurman and Pieters agreed and not on wheels.

Mayor Stearns asked for discussion about renting issues with Trevino Ag Services with the plus and minuses of renting to them in 2022. The net income to the City was discussed. The effects of wear & tear on the schoolhouse building were discussed. The abuse and damage to the shelter house was discussed. The level of discomfort local residents and businesses have expressed was discussed. Hagberg advised she taught a few how to play pickle ball. Blackburn advised there seems to be an uncomfortable pattern of behavior causing safety concerns. Hagberg and Blackburn advised there were also issues with the migrant workers in Eldora with the residents and businesses. Mayor Stearns advised we need to put our resident's safety first. Mayor Stearns advised we have discussed this in many different ways and to please consider and discuss this with residents to help further our thought process. Motion by Hagberg to not rent to Trevino Ag Services next year failed due to lack of a second. Schurman and Blackburn advised they need to gather more information to see if it's an issue with racial discrimination or with their actions. Schurman and Pieters explained the city owns this building because years ago residents were upset when potential buyers wanted to turn it into migrant housing.

Rental Unit Rules were discussed by Mayor Stearns with the checklist and schedule for the gym/small kitchen. Mayor Stearns suggested for the 2021-22 winter season we leave the gym furnaces on, set at 61 and have the thermostat locked. Have each group sweep the gym floor after use. Schurman requested to add to the checklist close all windows once complete. Mayor Stearns advised there are several groups wanting to rent for pickle ball and we need to discuss what to charge them. He also advised several residents have requested open gym for walking and suggested daily 7am-9am and 5pm-6pm. Suggested open gym all day on Saturdays but an adult has to be present and there need to be rules developed and followed. Schurman requested to advertise in the newsletter each month and advertise for an adult to sign up for Saturdays. Discussion on why and how much to charge for gym usage. Schurman moved to charge \$25 for pickle ball session for Harms, Blackburn seconded the motion. Hoffman asked if this is just for Harms or for anyone using it for pickleball? Blackburn advised it is up for further discussion. Roll call - Blackburn- aye, Hagberg- aye, Hoffman- no answer, Pietersnay, and Schurman- aye. Motion carried. Absent: no one.

Schurman and Pieters brought up again about getting the restaurant re-rented and requested we look for grants again.

Budget Amendment 2022 Resolution 21-11 presented by Mayor Stearns. Pieters moved to adopt said resolution, Hagberg seconded the motion. Roll call - Blackburn- aye, Hagberg- aye, Hoffman- aye, Pieters-aye, and Schurman- aye. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Mayor Stearns presented Resolution 21-12 Fraud Reporting Policy. Schurman moved to adopt Resolution 21-12, Hagberg seconded the motion. Roll call - Blackburn- aye, Hagberg- aye, Hoffman- aye, Pieters-aye, and Schurman- aye. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Mayor Stearns presented Resolution 21-13 Purchasing Policies and Procedures Reporting Policy. Pieters moved to adopt Resolution 21-13, Blackburn seconded the motion. Roll call - Blackburn- aye, Hagberg- aye, Hoffmanaye, Pieters-aye, and Schurman- aye. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Mayor Stearns presented Resolution #21-14 Personally Identifiable Information and Protected Personally Identifiable Information Requirements. Schurman moved to adopt Resolution 21-14, Hagberg seconded the motion. Roll call - Blackburn- aye, Hagberg- aye, Hoffman- aye, Pieters-aye, and Schurman- aye. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Mayor Stearns advised our City Attorney stated we need go into closed session for anything that might be in or lead to legal litigation. That includes distressed properties.

Schurman moved to go into closed session for Distressed Properties discussion, Blackburn seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Schurman moved to adjourn the closed meeting, Pieters seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Public Comments – Babcock asked what the temperature will stay at in the café area. Mayor Stearns advised we will move it up to 65 degrees. Blackburn asked to have it in the minutes that we do have a pet leash law in town and on the bike trail.

Mayor's comments: none.

Schurman moved to adjourn the meeting, Blackburn seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Absent: no one. Meeting adjourned at 9:31 pm.

Timothy A. Stearns, Mayor

Renee Øltrogge, City Clerk

City of Steamboat Rock Claims To Be Approved 11/08/2021

Туре	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
Check	11/08/2021	ACH	United States Treasury	Payroll	1088.78
Check	11/08/2021	ACH	IPERS	Payroll	1067.96
Check	11/08/2021	ACH	Alliant Energy	Electric/gas	2,197.68
Check	11/08/2021	ACH	Heart of Iowa	\$207.01 City, \$34.75 FD, \$34.75 Water, \$54.57 Library	313.72
Check	11/08/2021	ACH	Culligan	\$14.45 City	14.45
Check	11/08/2021	ACH	Great Western Bank CC	\$203.42Mnt, \$433.42Lib, \$94.49Sewer, \$255.75Train, \$212.61Office, \$562.50Streets, \$127.33Sh	4,658.43
Check	11/08/2021	ACH	Grundy National Bank	Community Center Loan Payment	2115.00
Transfer	11/08/2021	ACH	Library	City contribution & tax levy	300.00
Check	11/08/2021	2033	RTW Equiptment	Generator	3,500.00
Paycheck	11/08/2021	2034	Haskins, Kelly	Payroll	390.30
Paycheck	11/08/2021	2035	Johanson, Melissa M	Payroll	751.30
Paycheck	11/08/2021	2036	Oltrogge, Renee	Payroll	1418.98
Paycheck	11/08/2021	2037	VandeVoort, Darlene K	Payroll	271.09
Check	11/08/2021	2038	Veld, JJ	Contractual earnings	2,300.00
Check	11/08/2021	2039	Jacob Oberle	Cleaning Contract	200.00
Check	11/08/2021	2040	Affordable Tree Service	Tree Removal	1,100.00
Check	11/08/2021	2041	Blythe Sanitation	Garbage pickup & Invoice \$85.00	1,793.37
Check	11/08/2021	2042	JCJDW Investments LLC	Solar Panels	1,279.34
Check	11/08/2021	2043	Jesco	Bucket for Endloader	3,060.50
Check	11/08/2021	2044	Mid America Publishing	Publishing	171.95
Check	11/08/2021	2045	Rock Stop	Fuel for fire trucks \$412.68/City \$48.44	461.12
Check	11/08/2021	2046	Keystone	Water & sewer analysis	396.00
Check	11/08/2021	2047	Hardin County Sheriff	County Sheriff Contract	613.54
Check	11/08/2021	2048	Carstens	Hot Water Heater in Women's Locker Room	1,229.07

TOTAL

Alliant Energy Breakdown
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Interested by the contract of				
20.40	Ball Field			
21.13	Welcome Sign			
1111.08	Street Light			
89.73	Lift Station			
41.64	Fire Department			
234-73	Water			
0.00	Community Center			
530.57	Sewage Treatment Plant			
148.40	Library			

2197.68 TOTAL

Heart of Iowa Breakdown

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	207.01	City
	27.20	Fire Department
-	27.20	Water
-	52.31	Library
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313.72 TOTAL

\$ 30,692.58

Solar Panels Breakdown			
1228.07	Community Center		
51.27	Fire Department		
1279-34	TOTAL		