

CITY OF

MAYOR

Tim Stearns

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Of  
Friendliness"*



COUNCIL MEMBERS

Adam Blackburn

Jackie Hagberg

Wren Hoffman

Kevin Pieters

Cory Schurman

The Steamboat Rock City Council met in regular session March 8<sup>th</sup>, 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, Kevin Pieters, Cory Schurman and Wren Hoffman, absent: no one. Also present were Melissa Johanson, Scott Williams, Jerry Hoffman, Ryan Stupp, JD Holmes, Nate Hoogeveen, and Renee Oltrogge.

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

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

Hoffman moved, Pieters seconded the motion to approve the February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 minutes with corrections - a. Scott Williams, Fire Chief provided his report, was actually read by Mayor Stearns. JJ Veld presented the public works report, was actually read by City Clerk Oltrogge. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

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

Nate Hoogeveen from Iowa DNR presented an updated report of The Dam Mitigation Project. DNR is hoping to complete the project within 2 years. Multiple project phases add up to about \$1,627,000 on State, County, and City property. Entities plan to assist each other with matching for grants applications.

Melissa Johanson, Director of the Steamboat Rock Library presented her report. Presented PO #'s 2021030101 \$211.46 minus Happenings bill of \$24.00, #2021030102 \$1387.00 Techsoup, #2021030103 \$625.29 Amazon, #2021030104 \$150.00 JC Powers, #2021030105 \$91.00, #2021030106 \$598.80. Blackburn moved, Hagberg seconded the motion to approve PO's as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Scott Williams, Fire Chief provided his report. Will be holding a Breakfast fundraiser at the Boat Club on Saturday, May 29 from 7 – 11:00 a.m. Ryan reported that both exhaust manifolds are cracked and one bolt is broken off on the 1996 unit. We will be getting bids for repairs. Bills sent out for assisting Wellsburg on multi car accident on Hwy 20, nothing received so far.

JJ Veld's public works report was presented by Mayor Stearns. Lift Station pumps and control panel have been installed. They are coming back to run a hardwire to the standby generator and replace a relay. New street signs are being installed as they are ordered and delivered.

Update on distressed properties: Mayor Stearns advised no update at this time.

Mayor Stearns reported per research that REAP Grants are 100% funded.

Five Year City Strategic Plan. Mayor Stearns advised the Visionary Group agreed with our suggested Vision and the next step is to prioritize tasks into one to five years. Council discussed. Strong desire to develop a plan for the school house building within one year including support from the public.

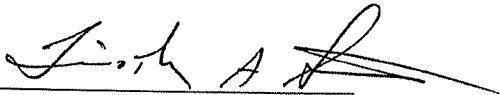
City Building Permit Code discussed per Council interpretation of structure. Mayor Stearns relayed his conversation with the County Assessor; Equipment and personal property should not be included. Items such as siding, roof, and windows are routine maintenance if they are replaced with like materials. If the City desires to control the quality and color of materials, a permit should be required. Items such as decks should get a permit since the materials are often an upgrade. Schurman advised to review the wording in a couple sections requiring improvements to grammar. Mayor Stearns advised he and the City Clerk will review the building permit code and recommend changes at the April Council meeting.

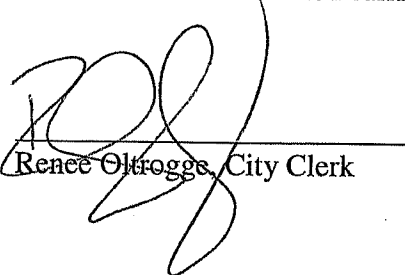
USDA RD Community Facilities Grants are to be turned in within 60 days and are first come first serve. Region 6 recommended a single item piece of equipment to best optimize success in getting the grant approved. Mayor Stearns recommended applying for the grant to be used for a standby emergency generator for the City well system which had been mentioned at several council meetings. Three bids are needed with the first estimate being \$20,000-\$25,000. Grant is a 45% match from the City. The City water fund has cash available to make the match while retaining enough reserve to make minor water system repairs. Several other projects were suggested by council members which were not viable for this grant.

An inventory with quality assessment of everything the City owns was requested by Hoffman. This document needs to be kept current on-going and will be helpful in creating the 5 Year Strategic Plan. Could be used during annual budget planning to prioritize projects. Oltrogge has already begun this document and would like each Councilperson to identify their key projects to assist in the further development of the list. Subcommittee of Hoffman, Hagberg, Blackburn, and Oltrogge will work further on the project.

Resolution 21-02 Scholarship MPI. Hagberg moved, Blackburn seconded the motion to approve resolution as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Schurman moved to adjourn the meeting, Pieters seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one. Meeting adjourned at 8:44 pm.

  
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Timothy A. Stearns, Mayor

  
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Renee Oltrogge, City Clerk

City of Steamboat Rock Claims To Be Approved 03/08/2021

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
Check	03/08/2021	ACH	United States Treasury	Payroll	472.10
Check	03/08/2021	ACH	IPERS	Payroll	459.67
Check	03/08/2021	ACH	Alliant Energy	Electric/gas	470.18
Check	03/08/2021	ACH	Heart of Iowa	\$211.36 City, \$27.20 FD, Water \$27.20, \$92.18 Library	357.94
Check	03/08/2021	ACH	Culligan	Library	10.00
Check	03/08/2021	ACH	Great Western Bank CC	\$150.12 Office, \$56.97 Mnt, \$130.79 IT	337.88
Check	03/08/2021	ACH	Grundy National Bank	Community Center Loan Payment	215.00
Transfer	03/08/2021	Transfer	Library	City contribution & tax levy	300.00
Check	03/08/2021	1774	Barnhart Electric	Sewer	200.52
Check	03/08/2021	1775	Eldora Hardware	UPS charges; supplies	29.84
Check	03/08/2021	1776	Mid America Publishing	Publishing	171.65
Check	03/08/2021	1777	Auditor of State	Periodic exam fee	800.00
Check	03/08/2021	1778	Napa	Snow removal parts	200.48
Check	03/08/2021	1779	Ag Machinery	Roads parts	84.30
Check	03/08/2021	1780	JC Powers	Library Snow Removal	100.00
Check	03/08/2021	1781	Roger Pickering	Library fixed sign & gutters	125.00
Check	03/08/2021	1782	VOID		
Check	03/08/2021	1783	Baker & Taylor	Library	114.56
Check	03/08/2021	1784	VOID		
Check	03/08/2021	1785	Feld Fire	FD Sensor, PO#71	526.00
Check	03/08/2021	1786	Melissa Johnason	Program Expenses, PO# 201202103	254.25
Paycheck	03/08/2021	1787	Haskins, Kelly	Payroll	390.30
Paycheck	03/08/2021	1788	Johanson, Melissa M	Payroll	699.66
Paycheck	03/08/2021	1789	Oltrogge, Renee A.	Payroll	1,203.84
Paycheck	03/08/2021	1790	VandeVoort, Darlene K	Payroll	162.65
Check	03/08/2021	1791	J.J. Veld	Mileage & office supplies	227.85
Check	03/08/2021	1792	Veld, JJ	Contractual earnings	2,300.00
Check	03/08/2021	1793	Sanchez, Mrs. Maria	Cleaning Contract	200.00
Check	03/08/2021	1794	Blythe Sanitation	Garbage pickup	1,470.10
Check	03/08/2021	1795	Blythe Machine & Fab	Sewer - 2 lift pump shafts	85.00
Check	03/08/2021	1796	Carstens	City Hall, Rock Solid Furnace & Toilet parts	1,211.28
Check	03/08/2021	1797	Hardin County Engineer	Salt & Sand Mix	275.00
Check	03/08/2021	1798	Hardin County Sheriff	County Sheriff Contract	613.54
Check	03/08/2021	1799	Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities	Membership dues	582.00
Check	03/08/2021	1800	Iowa Municipal Professionals	Membership Dues	30.00
Check	03/08/2021	1801	JCJDW Investments LLC	Solar Panels	534.09
Check	03/08/2021	1802	Keystone Lab	Water & sewer analysis	323.90
Check	03/08/2021	1803	Mid America Publishing	Publishing	167.00
Check	03/08/2021	1804	Premier	Printer maintenance contract	1,148.33
Check	03/08/2021	1805	Shield Pest Control, LLC	Cafe pest control	35.00
Check	03/08/2021	1806	Rock Stop	Fuel for fire trucks/city	286.89
Check	03/08/2021	1807	Hardin County Solid Waste & Recycling	Landfill charges	2,441.25

TOTAL

\$ 21,517.25

**Alliant Energy Breakdown**

0.00	Ball Field
0.00	Welcome Sign
0.00	Street Light
22.20	Lift Station
97.16	Fire Department
61.26	Water
216.83	Community Center
30.31	Sewage Treatment Plant
42.42	Library
470.18	TOTAL

**Heart of Iowa Breakdown**

211.36	City
27.20	Fire Department
27.20	Water
92.18	Library
357.94	TOTAL

**Solar Panels Breakdown**

534.09	Community Center
28.90	Fire Department
562.99	TOTAL