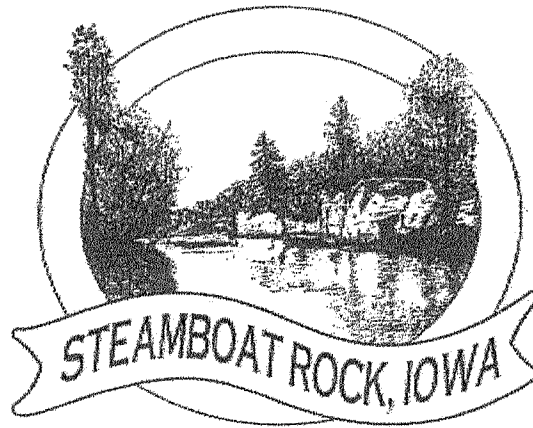


CITY OF

MAYOR

Tim Stearns

*"A Valley
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COUNCIL MEMBERS

Adam Blackburn

Jackie Hagberg

Wren Hoffman

Kevin Pieters

Cory Schurman

The Steamboat Rock City Council met in regular session April 12th, 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, Ryan Stupp, Jerry Hoffman, Heidi Young, Todd Fleming, Christina Akins, Johnnie Ogden, Craig Babcock and Renee Oltrogge.

Mayor Stearns called the meeting to order. Hagberg moved, seconded by Schurman to approve the posted agenda with the corrections – Minutes to approve from March 8th and April 5th meetings, Public Hearing for The USDA RD Community Facilities Grant and The Rural Innovation Grant.

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

Pieters moved, Schurman seconded the motion to approve the March 8th, 2021 minutes. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one. Hoffman moved, Pieters seconded the motion to approve the April 5th, 2021 Subcommittee Meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

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

Comments from the public with Jerry Hoffman presented a building permit for a fence. Hoffman moved, Blackburn seconded the motion to approve permit. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one. Kevin Pieters presented a building permit for residing a barn. Schurman moved, Hagberg seconded the motion to approve as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Kevin abstained. Absent: no one. Jerry Hoffman thanked Mayor Stearns for his hard work at the boat launch, it looks great. Heidi Young presented a building permit for 508 W Market St for removal of old buildings and construction of a new steel building with the same foot print. Pieters moved, Schurman seconded the motion to approve as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one. Heidi Young is requesting to close streets down for monthly bike nights on the 3rd Saturday of the month from 5 pm- 9 pm. Hagberg moved, Schurman seconded the motion to approve as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one. Heidi Young also discussed the Iowa Ride and the Iowa Ride next meeting is April 29th. Heidi is proposing to have the Saturday ride end in Steamboat Rock around 5 pm. Hope to each share information as it becomes available.

Dam Mitigation Project report from Mayor Stearns advised the DNR has found a source for an additional \$350,000.00 since the last meeting. Hardin County Conservation is looking in Hardin County for a retired quarry to relocate the Pine Ridge Rifle Club. The current Iowa river map/photo board will be moved to The Library for residents to review.

Melissa Johanson, Director of the Steamboat Rock Library presented her report. Summer Reading Program June 8th – 3rd week in Sept to be in the gym if the weather is bad. Other programs with STEM, Iowa River Museum, Blank Park Zoo, Children's Museum of Iowa, and Science Center of Iowa. CPR Class on May 29th at 1 pm at The Library for up to 10 people and will do a 2nd class if needed. Presented PO #'s 2021040301 JC Powers \$25.00, 2021040301 Baker & Taylor \$563.49, 2021040303 ILA \$30.00. Hagberg moved, Schurman seconded the motion to approve PO's as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Scott Williams, Fire Chief provided his report. They will be holding a Breakfast Fundraiser at the Boat Club on Saturday, May 29 from 7 am – 11 am with raffle tickets for sale. Three Conservation Reserve Program burns lined up. PO #'s 73 Interstate Battery for \$168.50 and #74 Danko \$920.00. Schurman moved, Hagberg seconded the motion to approve as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one. The stick dump pile of brush will be burned on the first Friday we have a day that has less wind, if you have a trailer or equipment on the training ground please remove it in anticipation of the burn.

JJ Veld presented the public works report. Lift Station pumps and control panel have been installed and are up and running. The mowing has started and is running well. Hoffman asked about flushing the hydrants and Veld advised sometime in the next month and appropriate notice to residents will be given.

Update on distressed properties per Mayor Stearns. 101 E Main St in the process with the courts and on the list with Fire Department to be burned. 103 E Main St under Code 657A per the city attorney. 208 3rd St a default judgement in process. 305 4th St the neighbors are creating a petition to help a judge understand this is a serious issue. Blackburn advised we need to fast track this property to our city attorney if neighbors are that upset about that property. No movement on 208 3rd St. Schurman advised The Visionary Group would help with fund raising ideas to pay for attorney fees to help move these derelict homes.

Mayor Stearns reported The REAP Grant for the sewer system on the west side of the river is due in August. Working with Hardin County Conservation.

Five Year City Strategic Plan. Mayor Stearns presented a spreadsheet from Region VI showing how they can assist us with writing our 5 Year Strategic Plan. The format is geared toward obtaining grants.

City Building Permit Code presented per Mayor Stearns with additions to Building Code 4-1-1 – 4-1-6. One Call is required prior to putting anything in the ground, descriptions added for buildings, new construction, decks, and materials has been added. Schurman moved, Pieters seconded the motion to approve. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one. Roll Call - Blackburn- aye, Hagberg- aye, Hoffman- aye, Pieters-aye and Schurman- aye. Absent – none.

Schurman moved, seconded by Blackburn to open the public hearing for The Flood Mitigation Grant. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one. The city is applying for a grant to cover the costs of a Kohler KG40 Generator Set. The total cost of this item is \$21,370 from Konken Electric. Of 3 bids, Konken was the lowest bid for the total project. The USDA grant can cover 55% of this cost (\$11,753) and the city will be responsible for a 45% local match (\$9,617). The city will also be responsible for any additional costs associated with installation of the generator, as these items are not included in the grant. From the bid, the total project costs are estimated to be \$25,740.66. The city will not sign any agreement with any contractor until they learn whether the grant was funded. Schurman moved, seconded by Hagberg to approve Resolution 21-03. Roll Call - Blackburn- aye, Hagberg- aye, Hoffman- aye, Pieters-aye and Schurman- aye. Absent – none. Motion carried unanimously. Schurman moved, seconded by Pieters to close the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Condition of Steamboat Rock Report has been compiled. Hoffman advised we are still putting together items for the streets that we will discuss next month.

Mayor Stearns is requesting volunteers to paint the north lobby of the gym and bathrooms to create a City visitor center. Idea is to have parking and restrooms downtown for bike riders and a cement trail connection to the bike trail from the intersection of 2nd Street and Main St on a plotted City alley. Schurman suggested a water fountain provided at the Visitors Center. Schurman advised to have a fund raiser to pay to have it professionally painted. Blackburn advised to look at grants for a visitor center.

Mayor Stearns presented the Steamboat Rock Iowa Survey for residents to be mailed out with the April monthly water bills. All of the questions fit into The City Vision – To be a clean, well maintained community that supports growth, community involvement and tourism. Changes include a few suggestions and additions from Council.

Hoffman moved, seconded by Hagberg to open the public hearing for The Rural Innovation Grant for the Community Center Kitchen. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one. The city is applying for a \$20,000 grant to cover a portion of the costs of items for a new kitchen. Mayor Stearns explained the grant application to be an entrepreneurial opportunity for someone to run a good restaurant at that location and create income for the City. Craig Babcock asked the cost of electrical and Mayor Stearns advised the City will likely have to upgrade in the amount of \$4-5 thousand to our electrical system. Blackburn asked if this grant could be used somewhere else other than The Schoolhouse. Mayor Stearns advised that in the research of the grant he pursued several uses for the grant that the person at the Governor's office declined. This use of the money fit the grant parameters. The area being upgraded is part of the main building which is structurally sound. Found the source of the musty smell and a way to remedy it. Blackburn advised if it does fail, we can use the equipment elsewhere. Schurman moved, seconded by Pieters to approve Resolution 21-04. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one. Roll Call - Blackburn- aye, Hagberg- aye, Hoffman- aye, Pieters-aye and Schurman- aye. Absent – none. Schurman moved, seconded by Hoffman to close the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

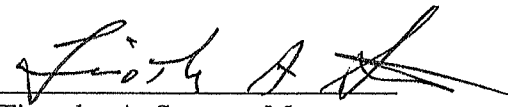
Iowa Ride is coming to town on the weekend of July 16th – 18th, 2021. Suggestions were: allow camping in town, ask if any resident's want to host riders, open the old ball diamond for this event, an RV dump station into a manhole, fix the restrooms in the concession stand, a 2nd port-a-pot at the landing, open the lobby restrooms at the north end of gym, extra dumpsters, alert county sheriff, food trucks on Market St, and other. Pieters advised Happenings already has a food vendor that has his own electric. More information will be coming as the Iowa Ride formulates. Mayor Stearns advised to create a committee to handle this event.

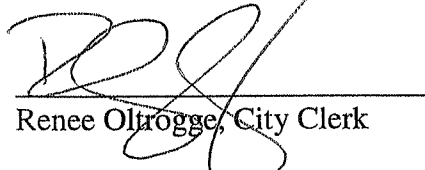
Ditch clean up on April 17th, 2021 south out of town to the Pine Lake Golf Course. Volunteers are needed per Mayor Stearns. 10 am starting at The Baptist Church parking lot. Bags and vests provided. Divide into 2 groups that will start at each end and meet in the middle. Hagberg asked about the river clean up last weekend and Mayor Stearns advised 30 volunteers showed up and picked up quite a bit.

Volunteers from City Council cleaned out The Schoolhouse last week in preparation to remove the boiler later this month. Hagberg and Oltrogge thanked everyone for their help.

Hoffman asked about scheduling a city wide clean-up. Mayor Stearns advised we have the Hazardous Clean Up on Saturday June 26th, so that would also be one of the City-wide clean-up days. The earlier clean-up day would be Saturday June 19th.

Pieters moved to adjourn the meeting, Schurman seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one. Meeting adjourned at 9:14 pm.


Timothy A. Stearns, Mayor


Renee Oltrogge, City Clerk

City of Steamboat Rock Claims To Be Approved 04/12/2021

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
Check	4/12/2021	ACH	Iowa Department of Revenue	WET Tax - 2021 1st quarter	423.00
Check	4/12/2021	ACH	Iowa Department of Revenue	State Tax withholding - 2021 1st quarter	48.00
Check	4/12/2021	ACH	United States Treasury	Payroll	469.02
Check	4/12/2021	ACH	IPERS	Payroll	456.49
Check	4/12/2021	ACH	Alliant Energy	Electric/gas	2,703.42
Check	4/12/2021	ACH	Heart of Iowa	\$211.36 City, \$27.20 FD, Water \$27.20, \$92.18 Library	340.86
Check	4/12/2021	ACH	Culligan	Library	10.00
Check	4/12/2021	ACH	Great Western Bank CC	\$1169.09 Office, \$17.99 Mnt, \$47.67 IT, \$760.22 Training, \$154.44 Streets, \$20.43 Water	1,169.84
Check	4/12/2021	ACH	Grundy National Bank	Community Center Loan Payment	215.00
Transfer	4/12/2021	Transfer	Library	City contribution & tax levy	300.00
Check	4/12/2021	1808	Iowa Pump Works	Sewer Pumps & Control Panel	28,430.09
Check	4/12/2021	1809	Ag Machinery	Vehicle Repairs	55.00
Check	4/12/2021	1810	IAS	LP Tank Charges	94.18
Check	4/12/2021	1811	Brown Hurst Insurance	Surety Bond	137.50
Check	4/12/2021	1812	Eldora Hardware	UPS charges; supplies	131.67
Paycheck	4/12/2021	1813	Haskins, Kelly	Payroll	390.30
Paycheck	4/12/2021	1814	Johanson, Melissa M	Payroll	663.52
Paycheck	4/12/2021	1815	Oltrogge, Renee A.	Payroll	1,203.84
Paycheck	4/12/2021	1816	VandeVoort, Darlene K	Payroll	356.94
Check	4/12/2021	1817	Veld, JJ	Contractual earnings	2,300.00
Check	4/12/2021	1818	Oltrogge, Renee	Cleaning Contract	200.00
Check	4/12/2021	1819	JC Powers	Library snow removal	150.00
Check	4/12/2021	1820	Ackley Publishing	Library	91.00
Check	4/12/2021	1821	Baker & Taylor	Library	598.80
Check	4/12/2021	1822	Johanson, Melissa	Program Expenses	211.46
Check	4/12/2021	1823	Techsoup	Library - technology	1,387.00
Check	4/12/2021	1824	Blythe Sanitation	Garbage pickup	1,907.25
Check	4/12/2021	1825	Brown Hurst Insurance	Surety Bond	19,358.00
Check	4/12/2021	1826	Carstens	City Hall, Rock Solid Furnace	120.00
Check	4/12/2021	1827	City of Eldora	Lift Station	2,250.00
Check	4/12/2021	1828	Current Electric	Phase loss	157.50
Check	4/12/2021	1829	Eldora Hardware	UPS charges; supplies	100.28
Check	4/12/2021	1830	Gehrke Quarry	rock	337.64
Check	4/12/2021	1831	Hardin County Sheriff	County Sheriff Contract	613.54
Check	4/12/2021	1832	Interstate Battery	for Fire Association	168.50
Check	4/12/2021	1833	JCJDW Investments LLC	Solar Panels	1,403.75
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Check	4/12/2021	1835	Rock Stop	Fuel for fire trucks/city	268.78
Check	4/12/2021	1836	Shield Pest Control, LLC	Cafe pest control	35.00
Check	4/12/2021	1837	Sterling Codifiers	Code Book inserts 10/2019	602.00
Check	4/12/2021	1838	USPO	Post card stamps & regular stamps	165.00

TOTAL

Alliant Energy Breakdown

21.80	Ball Field
21.82	Welcome Sign
1012.05	Street Light
142.38	Lift Station
51.63	Fire Department
373.57	Water
135.19	Community Center
736.68	Sewage Treatment Plant
208.30	Library
2703.42	TOTAL

Heart of Iowa Breakdown

191.84	City
27.20	Fire Department
27.20	Water
94.62	Library
340.86	TOTAL

Solar Panels Breakdown

1341.05	Community Center
62.70	Fire Department
1403.75	TOTAL