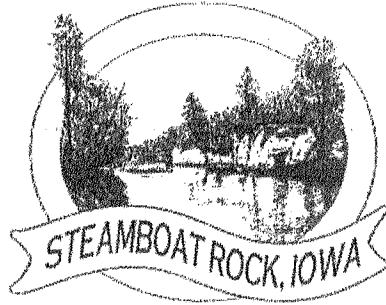


CITY OF

MAYOR

Tim Stearns

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COUNCIL MEMBERS

Adam Blackburn

Jackie Hagberg

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Jon Schurman

The Steamboat Rock City Council met in regular session May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 6:30 p.m. in the City Council chambers and available via zoom. Present were Mayor Stearns and the following council members: Adam Blackburn, Jackie Hagberg, Kevin Pieters, Cory Schurman, and Jon Schurman absent: no one. Also present were Perry Gjersvik, Carol Williams, and Renee Oltrogge. Scott Williams, JJ Veld, and Craig Babcock came late.

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

Pieters moved, seconded by Blackburn to approve the minutes from April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Motion carried unanimously, absent no one. Blackburn moved, seconded by Hagberg the motion to approve City bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one. Hours were presented for Renee Oltrogge, City Clerk and Kelly Haskin, Water/Sewer Supervisor. C. Schurman moved, Blackburn seconded the motion to approve hours as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Public comments: Robert Nazario for Iowa House District 54 introduced himself as he lives in rural Iowa Falls and described his history. He is a delegate for Hardin County Republican Central Committee.

Clerk Oltrogge requested to mention our new bank, Green Belt Bank & Trust has made available autopay for City utility bills. The form will be the last page in your Friendly Valley Times this month. Garbage services the week of Memorial Day will be on Tuesday. The Cemetery is having a Memorial Day Service at 11 am. There are signs up for The Michael Pittman Memorial Race on May 28<sup>th</sup> at The Independence Motor Speedway.

Melissa Johanson, Librarian was not present for the library report. Mayor Stearns presented PO's requested #20220501 \$147.02 Baker and Taylor for books, #20220502 \$75.00 Shield Pest Control, #20220503 \$55.00 Times Citizen for yearly subscription, #20020504 \$350.00 Absolute Science for butterfly tents, #20020505 \$350.00 Mikayla Oz for a magic show, #20020506 \$207.44 Blank Park Zoo for offsite program. Hagberg moved, J. Schurman 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. April was a busy month with 7-8 calls. Hosting a free will donation breakfast on Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 7-11 a.m. at The Lodge (The Boat Club) with a raffle. Mailings will go out to the residence of Steamboat Rock and Claytownship. Harrison and Justin have completed FF1-passed the written exam and still have the hands on to complete. Truck #653 (Grass Rig) needs new tires as the current ones are old, underrated, and weather checking. PO#82 \$936.90 for tires. C. Schurman moved, Blackburn seconded the motion to approve the PO as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one. Williams asked to have a fleet card to pay for fuel during off hours to fill after an incident and before they would get called for another one. Much discussion and it was left to Scott's discretion. Williams asked about hooking up an existing City generator to the Fire Station/ Municipal shed to be able to open the overhead doors when the power is off. Williams mentioned there is scrap steel at the station for the cleanup days.

JJ Veld presented the report from public works. City was reprimanded by the DNR from an incident one week last July when the discharge nitrates levels exceeded the standard limits due to something in the sewer that killed the good bugs in the system. There hasn't been one since. By 2024 EPA wants a lead pipe

survey of all of the water lines in the town recorded to include what goes from the city lines to the pipes going into homes. This report will need to include every property in town. If you don't know what type of pipe you have for the survey, someone from the city may need to look at your incoming water line before the meter. In some cases digging may be needed and/or a water sample inside your property may be needed. More information as your city learns more about this survey. Veld advised there may be a good alternative scrap iron company for our City wide clean-ups for future years.

Mayor Stearns advised on distressed properties; 101 E Main- no new information. 208 3<sup>rd</sup> St- Roll off has been delivered. Volunteers welcome to clean up the junk and then burn the sticks by June 1<sup>st</sup>. 308 6<sup>th</sup> St & 601 W Sycamore have until June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 to reply.

New Superintendent of Janitorial Services at Community Center still has no applicants after offering \$10 an hour at 24 hours a week. Clerk is asking Council to consider any new ideas.

Hardin County Conservation & Sewer Hook Up presented the signed easement agreement and a diagram to begin the archeology and environmental studies. If the project takes this route, a 28E agreement will need to be developed by the City attorney, County attorney, County Conservation, and the City Council, detailing ownership and responsibilities of each party. Blackburn wants to make sure everyone is aware of where the hook up is going to be placed.

Proposed River road sewer installation was discussed by Mayor Stearns with the another estimate by CGA at mid \$500m's. Mayor Stearns advised he is still searching out grant applications and/or loans.

Mayor Stearns presented a bid for 12 LED gym lights received for a net after rebates of about \$3,600. Discussed the electric bills for the increased gym usage compared to prior years. Stearns estimates a 1-2 year payback through power savings. C. Schurman moved, Hagberg seconded the motion to approve the project as presented. Motion carried. Absent: no one.

Mayor Stearns discussed completing the City 5 Year Strategic Plan with the help of Region IV and will set up an appointment this week to get started with discussions for this plan.

At our previous meeting council approved as requested by Dave Hagberg for the city to allow wood chips (not allowed in the City stick dump) to be piled on the east side of the fence adjacent to the north bin of the compost center. Pieters is requesting an end date be put into place at one month. Pieters moved, C. Schurman seconded the motion to approve the one month as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Perry Gjersvik from Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc presented an agreement to have the city allow them to research grants to pay for funding for our waste water system study, engineering, and design. A USDA Search Grant Program for engineering studies of \$30,000.00, SRF Planning and Design Loan with 0% interest and no limit, 3 year term for planning and design work associated with wastewater system improvements and a 20 year payback. Mayor Stearns advised we are up to date per the DNR until 2024 and then the DNR would give us a plan on what needs to be updated. Gjersvik advised this process can start at anytime and they would get the information from the DNR with the new rules. There were no motions at this time on this topic. Mayor Stearns also mentioned we need to include in our 5 year strategic plan to provide services on the west side of the river and to annex down S. River Rd to the southwest and also to the northeast of 200<sup>th</sup> St.

Mayor Stearns discussed the updated Street Condition Report completed by Councilpersons and Veld. C. Schurman suggested the spots where we have cut out the street for water/sewer repairs and/or have pot holes needs to be priority. Pieters advised the county has approved us to use cold press and we will get billed. Mayor Stearns advised we need to rent a roller and air compressor and have enough volunteers to do all the pot holes and cut-out spots in one day. Pieters and J. Schurman volunteered to get costs and present at the next meeting.

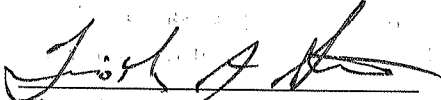
Mayor Stearns presented Public Budget Adoption Hearing Resolution 22-05. C. Schurman moved, Pieters seconded the motion to approve resolution as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one. Roll call - Blackburn- aye, Hagberg- aye, Pieters- aye, C. Schurman- aye, and J. Schurman - aye. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Pieters advised the pile of rock down by the fire department where semi-trucks are parked was put there by an individual and he is asking to give them a credit on their utility bills. Hagberg, C. Schurman and

Mayor Stearns advised this is two different budget departments, they would like to use streets fund. C. Schurman suggested we pay for part of the bill for the rocks instead of giving a credit and Pieters will discuss it with the resident and present it at the next meeting.

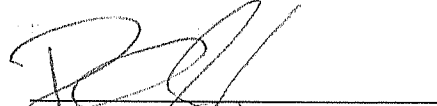
Mayor's comments: Ditch walk was last Saturday and those who helped were much appreciated.

C. Schurman moved to adjourn the meeting, Blackburn seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.



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Timothy A. Stearns, Mayor



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Renee Oltfogge, City Clerk

City of Steamboat Rock Claims To Be Approved 5/09/2022

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
Check	05/09/2022	ACH	United States Treasury	Payroll	\$ 544.88
Check	05/09/2022	ACH	IPERS	Payroll	\$ 544.77
Check	05/09/2022	ACH	Alliant Energy	Electric/gas	\$ 2,181.18
Check	05/09/2022	ACH	Heart of Iowa	\$181.96 City, \$34.75 FD, Water \$34.75, \$50.01 Library	\$ 301.47
Check	05/09/2022	ACH	Culligan	Library \$10.00, City \$14.45	\$ 24.45
Check	05/09/2022	ACH	Great Western Bank CC	\$1596.83 Office, \$146.98 Mncc, \$178.10 Library, \$306.25 Sewer	\$ 2,228.16
Check	05/09/2022	ACH	Grundy National Bank	Community Center Loan Payment	\$ 2,115.00
Transfer	05/09/2022	Transfer	Library	City contribution & tax levy	\$ 300.00
Check	05/09/2022	2177	Ag Machinery	Vehicle Repairs	\$ 161.33
Check	05/09/2022	2178	Keystone Lab	Water & sewer analysis	\$ 444.25
Check	05/09/2022	2179	Regions IV	5 year strategic Plan	\$ 500.00
Paycheck	05/09/2022	2180	Haskins, Kelly	Payroll	\$ 390.30
Paycheck	05/09/2022	2181	Johanson, Melissa M	Payroll	\$ 642.76
Paycheck	05/09/2022	2182	Oltrogge, Renee	Payroll	\$ 1,418.98
Paycheck	05/09/2022	2183	VandeVoort, Darlene K	Payroll	\$ 275.61
Check	05/09/2022	2184	Veld, JJ	Contractual earnings	\$ 2,300.00
Check	05/09/2022	2185	Veld, JJ (mileage)	Mileage	\$ 263.84
Check	05/09/2022	2186	Oltrogge, Renee	Cleaning Contract	\$ 100.00
Check	05/09/2022	2187	Veld, JJ	Cleaning Contract	\$ 100.00
Check	05/09/2022	2188	Blythe Sanitation	D \$405, Res \$1,008, T \$675.40, Rec \$0	\$ 2,088.40
Check	05/09/2022	2189	Danko	FD (pass thru)	\$ 15,203.00
Check	05/09/2022	2190	JCJDW Investments LLC	Solar Panels	\$ 1,428.14
Check	05/09/2022	2191	JC Powers	Library snow removal	\$ 25.00
Check	05/09/2022	2192	Baker & Taylor	Library PO #20211204	\$ 427.72
Check	05/09/2022	2193	Mid America Publishing	Publishing	\$ 130.83
Check	05/09/2022	2194	RC Systems	Siren	\$ 1,900.25
Check	05/09/2022	2195	Rock Stop	FD 122.50, Snow 114.82	\$ 197.09
Check	05/09/2022	2196	Stockdale Law, LLC	City Attorney charges	\$ 331.25
Check	05/09/2022	2197	Eldora Hardware	UPS charges, garbage bags	\$ 130.13
Check	05/09/2022	2198	Hardin County Sheriff	County Sheriff Contract	\$ 613.54
Check	05/09/2022	2199	Hardin County Treasurer	Property Tax	\$ 21.00
Check	05/09/2022	2200	Napa	FD	\$ 79.86

TOTAL

**Alliant Energy Breakdown**

0.00	Ball Field
0.00	Welcome Sign
1088.20	Street Light
75.56	Lift Station
79.89	Fire Department
237.43	Water
0.00	Community Center
530.88	Sewage Treatment Plant
169.22	Library
<b>2181.18</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>

**Heart of Iowa Breakdown**

177.42	City
34.75	Fire Department
34.75	Water
50.01	Library
<b>296.93</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>

**Solar Panels Breakdown**

1374.33	Community Center
53.81	Fire Department
<b>1428.14</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>

\$ 37,413.19