MAYOR Tim Stearns

"A Valley
Of
Friendliness"



COUNCIL MEMBERS

Adam Blackburn Kevin Pieters Cory Schurman Jon Schurman

The Steamboat Rock City Council met in regular session July 11th, 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, Kevin Pieters, Cory Schurman, and Jon Schurman absent: no one. Also present were Ryan Stupp, Taylor Nederhoff, Melissa Johanson, Renee Oltrogge, Scott Williams, and JJ Veld.

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

C. Schurman moved, seconded by Blackburn to approve the minutes as amended from June 13th, 2022 with the correction of attendance of Cindy Mull to Cheryl Mull. Motion carried unanimously, absent no one. Pieters moved, seconded by J. Schurman 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. Blackburn moved, Pieters seconded the motion to approve hours as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Public comments: Mayor Stearns presented building permits for 307 E Main St and 101 E Main St. C. Schurman moved to approve as presented the permit for 307 E Main St, seconded by Pieters. Motion carried unanimously, absent no one. Pieters moved, seconded by Blackburn to approve permit as presented for 101 E Main St. Motion carried unanimously, absent no one

Melissa Johanson, Librarian presented the library report. Summer reading is going really well with an excellent attendance. This Wednesday is the STEM program. Many kids, parents, and grandparents have attended the programs.

Scott Williams, Fire Chief presented the Fire Department report. In June SRFD responded to five calls. The proceeds from the breakfast and mail-ins donations were close to \$10,000 gross. Kenny Primus was the winner of the TV. Training planned for Saturday, June 23 starting at 8:00 a.m. at the practice grounds. Burned the Hackbarth pile and received a nice letter of thanks from the City. When burning, members noticed water leaking from the underside of #650. The packing for the pump is leaking and will need to be checked out. May need to go to Breda for repair. Sandry Fire is scheduled to pressure check SCBA masks and check over the TNT (extrication) Tools. Typical charge is \$800 - \$1,000. SRFD will again be a participant for MDA. Still discussing date. Need a member of the City Council to sign a document allowing funds to be transferred from the Clay Township Trustees account to the city for payment of new PPE. Scott requested the City contact the owners of the semi-trailers to ask them to park elsewhere the day of the practice burn on the training grounds July 23, 2022.

JJ Veld presented the report from public works. Veld advised Tuesday 7/26/22 plan to replace 2 manholes on D-35 (West Main St) and is requesting volunteers to help. Mayor Stearns advised on the cost to rent the equipment and the Hardin County Road department will loan us road work signage. Veld has a short family vacation coming up and has someone covering his duties. There is currently an unused wiring issue at the sewer plant. Council agreed it should be fixed for future use. C. Schurman asked about the wood chips and Mayor Stearns advised he will address it and will follow up next month.

Mayor Stearns advised on distressed properties; 101 E Main St has sold with request for demolition. 208 3rd St has been cleaned up, grass seeded and some minor additional clean-up needed. C. Schurman asked the next steps for that property. Nederhoff advised the IRS will sign off on the paperwork, then waiting to get the deed back. Couple of options discussed once the City has title: Sell at a nominal price on contract to someone who will agree to build a minimum of XYZ house with-in a designated time frame, or just sell the property outright to recoup the costs we have invested in the clean-up. Nederhoff advised the city

usual stipulates a dollar amount for the home that needs to be built within a set amount of time. Mayor Stearns pointed out that if sold to a party required to build, that the property tax revenues brought back to the city would be on-going and significantly more than our cost to clean up the property. 301 W Market St has a new tenant and they are working on cleaning up the property inside and out. 308 6th St & 601 W Sycamore has requested a building permit to demolish the houses and leave the detached garages, waiting on permit to be turned in to the city. 106 4th St is seeking bids to repair the property. Council discussed new properties to add to the distressed list.

Nuisance Reporting Mayor Stearns advised 402 W Market St has been cleaning up the junk vehicles as requested. JJ Veld and Nederhoff discussed finding the curb stop for 106 E Main St the easiest and most cost effective way. Council decided to start the paperwork and Nederhoff advised this is an administrative search warrant for the water meter to enter the house.

Hardin County Conservation & Sewer Hook Up: Mayor Stearns advised their environmental and archeological studies are in process on N River Road.

Proposed River road sewer installation: Mayor Stearns reporting the first step on the grant application is in process.

Pieters and J. Schurman reported on costs for street potholes and cut out repair. Pieters advised the costs for the rental of equipment and the materials. Pieters advised the county does some hot patch work every year that we might be able to cost effectively piggy back on for our repairs. Too late for 2022, but we should check on for 2023. Mayor Stearns will check with the county to see where they will be conducting hot patch asphalt repairs in the summer of 2023. Pieters will get an idea of how much area we are looking to patch.

Gym lights update per Mayor Stearns the supplier does not yet have the lights.

Dog complaints: Mayor Stearns requested Nederhoff to discuss. He explained the process should be to call the sheriff if there is a dog a large. If there is a dog bite, the first time is a warning, the second could lead to a citation and fine per the city code, the dog being moved outside of town, or to be put down as determined by the City. C. Schurman advised Dilley didn't show up tonight and believes it is settled and a closed issue. Discussion about adopting the Alden, Iowa Animal Control code recommended by City Attorney Nederhoff to the Steamboat Rock Municipal code.

C. Schurman moved, Blackburn seconded the motion to approve the letter as presented for The Brownfield Redevelopment Program Asbestos Study. Roll call - Blackburn- aye, Pieters-aye, J Schurmanaye, and C. Schurman- aye. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: no one.

Mayor Stearns presented the current policies on nuisance/municipal infractions code. Nederhoff advised they could be updated. Blackburn advised to have Council vote on all nuisances. Nederhoff advised to not include grass or dogs. Mayor Stearns agreed to work on revisions and present next month.

Mayor Stearns presented and discussed 6/30/2022 year-end financials.

Mayor Stearns advised Councilperson Jackie Hagberg resigned as of July 1, 2022. Letter discussed.

Mayor Stearns advised the public posting for the notice seeking a council person replacement, had an error stating the new person would start in February, not July. Will re-post. Mayor Stearns advised individuals who have agreed to be considered to fill the vacant Council term so far are: Dave Mull and Travis Hollander. Pieters made a motion for a special Council meeting July 26th, 2022 at 6:30 to vote on the individual to fill the vacated term. C Schurman seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Absent-none.

Mayor's comments: none.

Pieters moved to adjourn the meeting, C. Schurman seconded the motion. Motion carried

unanimously. Absent: no one. Meeting adjourned at 8:29 pm.

Timothy A. Stearns, Mayor

Renee Oltrogge, City-Clerk

City of Steamboat Rock Claims To Be Approved 7/11/2022

Туре	Date	Num	Name	Memo		Amount
Check	07/11/2022	ACH	United States Treasury	Payroll	\$	580.12
Check	07/11/2022	ACH	IPERS	Payroll	\$	570.73
Check	07/11/2022	ACH	Iowa Department of Revenue	State Tax withholding - 2022 2nd quarter	\$	48.00
Check	07/11/2022	ACH	Iowa Department of Revenue	WET Tax - Changed from quarterly to monthly	\$	565.20
Check	07/11/2022	ACH	Alliant Energy	Electric/gas	\$	2,481.11
Check	07/11/2022	ACH	Heart of Iowa	\$183.61BCity, \$34.75 FD, Water \$34.75, \$57.41 Library	\$	310.52
Check	07/11/2022	ACH	Culligan	Library \$32.95, City \$59.45	\$	92.40
Check	07/11/2022	ACH	1st Interstate Bank CC	\$71.85 Streets, \$135.72 IT, \$95.00 Sewer	\$	302.57
Check	07/11/2022	ACH	Grundy National Bank	Community Center Loan Payment	\$	2,115.00
Transfer	07/11/2022	Transfer	Library	City contribution & tax levy	\$	300.00
Check	07/11/2022	2326	Absolute Science	Summer Program	\$	250.00
Check	07/11/2022	2327	Baker & Taylor	Books	\$	157.80
Check	07/11/2022	2328	Homestead Evergreens	Trees for Library	\$	288.00
Check	07/11/2022	2329	North Iowa Libraries	Licenses for Library	\$	598.00
Check	07/11/2022	2330	Scholastic	Summer Program	\$	185.10
Check	07/11/2022	2331	Illinois Library Association	Summer Program	\$	105.50
Check	07/11/2022	2332	Iowa Children's Museum	Summer Program	\$	350.00
Check	07/11/2022	2333	Times Citizen	Periodicals	\$	75.00
Check	07/11/2022	2334	Penworthy	Summer Program	\$	264.98
Check	07/11/2022	2335	Haskin, Kelly	Payroll	\$	390.30
Check	07/11/2022	2336	Johanson, Melissa M	Payroll	\$	797.78
Check	07/11/2022	2337	Oltrogge, Renee	Payroll	\$	1,418.98
Check	07/11/2022	2338	VandeVoort, Darlene K	Payroll	\$	474.41
Check	07/11/2022	2339	Veld, JJ (mileage)	Mileage		240.56
Check	07/11/2022	2340	Veld, JJ	Contractual earnings		2,300.00
Check	07/11/2022	2341	لول Veld (cleaning)	Cleaning Contract		200.00
Check	07/11/2022	2342	Blythe Sanitation	D \$405, Res \$1,008, T \$663.30, Rec \$0		2,076.30
Check	07/11/2022	2343	Brown Supply	2 manholes		433.00
Check	07/11/2022	2344	ClerkBooks	Annual Software Renewal		150.00
Check	07/11/2022		Eldora Hardware	UPS charges	1	91.65
Check	07/11/2022	2346	Gehrke Quarry	8.49 tons of rock		101.88
Check	07/11/2022	2347	NIRG	Haz mat dues		155.00
Check	07/11/2022	2348	Hardin County Sheriff	County Sheriff Contract		613.54
Check	07/11/2022	2349	Iowa Falls Fire Extinguisher	Invoice 5787		296.00
Check	07/11/2022	2350	Iowa League of C ties	Yearly Dues - Invoice# 096491		357.00
Check	07/11/2022	2351	JCJDW Investments LLC	Solar Panels		2,058.88
Check	07/11/2022	2352	Krogh-Oppold	Grass seed		270.00
Check	07/11/2022	2353	Mid America Publ shing	Publishing		169.16
Check	07/11/2022	2354	Midwest Wheel	Acct# 15159		22.95
Check	07/11/2022	2355	Rock Stop	FD 122.50, Snow 114.82		674.93
Check	07/11/2022	2356	Shield Pest Control, LLC	Pest control		35.00
Check	07/11/2022	2357	Stockdale Law, LLC	City Attorney charges		116.67
Check	07/11/2022	2358	USA Blue Book	Sewer	1	143.81
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TOTAL

23.22	Ball Field
23 24	Welcome Sign
1112.81	Street Light
129 27	Lift Station
51.92	Fire Department
322.72	Water
62 73	Community Center
588 65	Sewage Treatment Plan
166.55	Library
2.481 11	TOTAL

Heart of Iowa Breakdown

	LIEGITOLIONA DICARDONII
175.41	City
34.75	Fire Department
34.75	Water
49.73	Library
\$ 294.64	TOTAL

\$ 23,227.83

Solar Panels Breakdown					
	1978.87	Community Center			
	80.01	Fire Department			
	\$2,058.88	TOTAL			