

Regular Meeting of the Olds, Iowa City Council
October 6th, 2021

Mayor Raymond Meth called the meeting to order at the Olds City Hall at 6:30 p.m. with council members Ben Fear, Jason Waterhouse, Candice Curry, Fred Roth and Theresa Willey. Absent: None. Others present: Russell Conrad, Brittany Davis, Timothy Faller and Timothy Bruer.

Motion by Waterhouse, seconded by Roth to approve the agenda, the minutes of the meeting of September 8th, 2021, the Treasurer's report for the month of September 2021 and the following list of bills. Carried.

WATER FUND:

Russell Conrad (wages, water turn on)----\$	549.83
Mark Willey (wages, mileage)-----	157.88
Brittany Davis (wages, office supplies)---	374.77
Raymond Meth(wages, per diem)-----	94.63
Candice Curry(per diem)-----	41.52
Fred Roth(per diem)-----	41.56
Jason Waterhouse(per diem)-----	41.56
Ben Fear(per diem)-----	41.56
Theresa Willey(per diem)-----	41.56
Internal Revenue Service (social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	265.49
IPERS(IPERS)-----	214.24
Alliant Energy(electricity)-----	29.17
Farmers & Merchants(internet)-----	65.98
Rathbun Regional Water Assoc.(water)-----	2,141.70
Treasurer-State of IA(withholding)-----	126.00
Treasurer-State of IA(sales tax)-----	1,217.86
RVS Software(billing cards)-----	152.20
Hygienic Laboratory(testing water)-----	157.00
USA Bluebook(sample packs)-----	94.42
Post Office(stamps)-----	160.00
John Hird(deposit refund)-----	75.00
Total-----\$	<u>6,083.93</u>

CITY FUND:

Olds Fire Dept.(fire protection)-----	680.00
WEMIGA(garbage collections)-----	1,982.50
Brittany Davis(wages,supplies, postage Bandjoy for picnic)-----	897.57
Raymond Meth(wages, per diem)-----	94.63
Candice Curry(per diem)-----	41.52
Fred Roth(per diem)-----	41.56
Jason Waterhouse(per diem)-----	41.56
Ben Fear(per diem)-----	41.56
Theresa Willey(per diem, picnic supplies)-	115.66
Timothy Faller(wages)-----	193.64
Internal Revenue Service(social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	144.94
IPERS(IPERS)-----	118.96

Alliant Energy(electricity)-----	678.08
Windstream(telephone)-----	68.54
Treasurer-State of IA(withholding)-----	60.00
Cobb Oil(fuel)-----	40.13
WMPF Group, LLC(publishing)-----	14.75
Lynch Dallas, P.C.(legal services)-----	292.50
Witfield & Eddy(legal services)-----	388.50
Lorri Conrad(cleaning city hall)-----	30.00
Total-----\$	<u>5,966.60</u>

Sewer Fund:

Russell Conrad(wages)-----\$	371.46
Brittany Davis(wages, office supplies)-----	374.28
Mark Willey(wages)-----	129.08
Raymond Meth(wages, per diem)-----	94.63
Candice Curry(per diem)-----	41.52
Fred Roth(per diem)-----	41.56
Jason Waterhouse(per diem)-----	41.56
Ben Fear(per diem)-----	41.56
Theresa Willey(per diem)-----	41.56
Internal Revenue Service(social security, medicare, federal withholding)-----	274.66
IPERS(IPERS)-----	183.64
Alliant Energy(electricity)-----	22.63
Treasurer-State of IA(withholding)-----	114.00
Treasurer-State of IA(sales tax)-----	162.25
Top Notch Lawn Care(spraying weeds)-----	142.50
Hygienic Laboratory(testing sewage)-----	196.00
Warner Engineering(sewer lagoon compliance Investigation)-----	<u>6,328.00</u>
Total-----\$	8,600.89

Total receipts for the month of September 2021 were: City Funds \$25,622.55; Water Funds \$6,487.36; Sewer Funds \$4,156.44.

Russell reported that the unaccounted for was at 21.62% this month. Russell thinks we have a small leak somewhere. Russell stated that there are a few water meter issues, but does not think that is where we are losing water. Russell stated the water pressures all look good. We will need to keep a close eye on this for the next month or so. Russell stated that Mark read the meters this month, took samples to Iowa City and also replaced two water meters. Russell went over the Lead & Copper testing he did last month with the council. All levels are compliant with the DNR standards. Russell stated he is still waiting to hear back from McGuire Iron as to when they will be doing our water tower inspection. This is the last inspection we will be doing with McGuire Iron. Russell will keep trying to get in contact with someone at McGuire Iron to get this scheduled.

Russell stated he is still adding two bags of enzymes into our sewer system monthly, and that BES Water Solutions are taking samples at the

lagoon every Thursday. Russell reviewed the monthly DNR report with the council.

Brittany stated that Warner Engineering was out and did the sewer smoke testing. There were a few problem areas that were easily seen while doing this. One major problem is the storm drain located on the southwest corner of Main Street and Railroad Street. When doing the smoke testing, smoke came out of our storm drain. This could be a big part of our issue with the lagoon getting too much water when it rains. There were also a few other residents that have their sump pumps and downspouts going into our sewer system. Warner Engineering is looking into seeing what is and is not covered in our State Revolving Funds that we have received. He is checking to see if it would cover the cost of installing a new storm drain tile. We will discuss this more in detail at our November meeting. Brittany did get a bill from Warner Engineering for the work that has been done from February 2021 until October 1st 2021. Brittany has already submitted the paperwork to the financial institution taking care of our SRF funds for reimbursement.

The Main Street repairs are close to being complete for the city. The private property owners that are adjacent to the new side streets are not wanting to replace the sidewalk at this time. We will put gravel in the open areas and get it all closed up for the public's safety. This may or may not be an added expense for the city.

The council discussed getting a container for leaves and yard debris instead of having open burning for leaves this year. The cost of this would be roughly \$100 per week to have a container brought in by WEMIGA. The council discussed this and agreed to have the open burning of leaves this fall and then talk about more options for the spring.

Motion by Curry, Seconded by Fear to set the date for burning leaves from November 1st, 2021 to December 1st, 2021. Carried.

Motion by Fear, Seconded by Waterhouse to set the date for Trick-or-Treat night for Saturday October 30th, 2021 from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. Carried.

Brittany stated she will be putting the yearly snow removal ad in the paper this month. If anyone is interested have them submit a bid by November 2nd, 2021.

Brittany noticed during our city picnic that there are a few things that are needing repaired at the park. The new equipment has a wall that needs a new screw to hold it in place. Right now it is really unstable. The step to get onto the new equipment also needs some attention. We should find a concrete block of some sort to put underneath the step to reinforce the step. Brittany will look into getting the screw to fix the wall by the slide.

Brittany asked council if there were any specific needs for funding this year. The Enhance Henry County Grant application is due October 29th, 2021. This year we would have to come up with at least 25% of the funding ourselves and we do not have it in our budget for this year. We will wait and see what our needs will be next year.

Mark Willey will be done working for the sewer department at the end of the year. Brittany will put in the paper to see if we can get anyone interested in this job.

Ben stated that the people who live at 207 South Adams have a car port in the grass alleyway. Brittany will write a letter to them stating this needs to be moved onto their property and off of the alleyway. There appears to be a lot of people parking items in or on our grass alleys and our city right-of-ways in town. Brittany will do a drive through town and send out the necessary letters to get these moved before the snow starts to fall. This could potentially be a problem for snow removal.

The next regular meeting is set for Wednesday November 3rd, 2021 at the Olds City Hall at 6:30 P.M.

Motion by Curry, seconded by Waterhouse the meeting be adjourned.
Carried.

Brittany Davis
Olds City Clerk