

**Minutes of the Delaware City Council Meeting**  
Saturday, January 14, 2023

Mayor Fishler called the meeting to order at 8:00am.

Roll call of members present: Rick Lahr, Barb Ries, Kevin Clark, Larry Tibbott, Burt Davis. Absent: None.  
Also present: City Maintenance Operator Alex Elgin, Allan Domeyer, Gunner Domeyer.

Allan Domeyer Street Request

Allan Domeyer, 516 6<sup>th</sup> Street, informed the Council that he was thinking of building a new house on the back side of his lot, then subdividing the lot and selling the front side. He would like the City to open the undeveloped road on the south side of his property or wondered if the City would sell him the undeveloped street. Domeyer also asked about getting sewer to the new house. The Council discussed the request with Domeyer, stating they wouldn't sell the street but would work with him on opening the street once he was ready to begin construction.

Building Permit Applications/Livestock Applications

None.

Main Street Closure

City Clerk Learn informed the Council that the IDOT had contacted her about the Main Street and Highway 38 intersection. The IDOT is evaluating the intersection but it does sound like they intend to close the intersection due to the recent semi accidents. The Council discussed signage for the road once closed and signage to direct trucks. The Council will wait for further information from the IDOT.

Pet Control

The Council discussed a complaint about dogs wandering lose around town. The Council asked that a letter be sent to the owners to let them know they need to keep their dogs tied up and provide them with the City Code information.

FY24 Budget

The Council began discussing the budget for the next fiscal year which begins July 1, 2023. The Council will discuss the budget further at future meetings. Motion by Lahr, seconded by Ries to set February 11, 2023 at 8:00am as the date and time for a Public Hearing on the "Maximum Property Tax Dollars Resolution" for the budget for Fiscal Year 2024. Motion carried, all ayes.

Department Reports

Fire/Civil Defense: The department elected officers for the year and they are looking into applying for an AFG grant.

Streets: Street maintenance will begin again in the spring and the City may need to get more reclaim. Lahr is getting numbers from Randy Harbach for the work on the lagoon road. The Council discussed the corner at the end of West Washington Street.

Park: Ries updated the Council on the Keep Iowa Beautiful Project for the City Park.

Water: The City got the bill from Northway for the well repairs and insurance will cover \$11,060.75 of the cost.

Elgin explained the repairs that were done. The Council discussed moving the pipe that was in the City Park.

Sewer: The dialer at the lift station has been repaired.

Elgin asked about placing a permanent sign at the brush dump about site regulations. The Council agreed this was a good idea.

## Other Business

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- Skid loader

Elgin informed the Council he has a Bobcat 743 he is going to look at selling this spring and will probably ask \$8,000-\$10,000 for it if the City is interested. The Council discussed equipment options for the City and budget constraints.

The Council discussed the electrical work that still needs to be done at the City office.

## Standing Business

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- Approve the minutes of the December 10, 2022 City Council meeting
- Approve payment of the bills
- Delaware County Sheriff's Office December 2022 Report
- December 2022 Revenue and Expense Report
- December 2022 Utility Collections Report

Motion by Ries, seconded by Tibbott to approve the standing business items. Motion carried, all ayes.

Mayor Fishler thanked Alex Elgin for his work during the recent snow storm.

Motion by Tibbott, seconded by Ries that the meeting adjourn at 9:37am. Motion carried, all ayes.

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Erin Learn, City Clerk