

February 7, 2022
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR REINBECK, IOWA
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 5:30 P.M.

(These are the minutes to be approved by the council at the next city council meeting)

Mayor Larsen called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Council present at roll call were Dripps, Ragsdale, Murphy, and Rasmussen. Knaack arrived just after roll call. Also present were Wilkerson, Victoria Derr, and Joshua Meggers.

Ragsdale moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Dripps. 4 ayes. Motion carried. The approved Consent Agenda consisted of Minutes from January 24, 2022, Treasurer's Report, Bills to be paid in the amount of \$43,024.74, Bills paid from January 25, 2022 through February 4, 2022, December Bank Reconciliation & Financial Reports, December bills paid, January Budget Report, January Utility Billing Audit Report, and a Class C Liquor License with Sunday Sales and Outdoor Service for 405 Lounge.

Murphy moved to approve the Agenda, seconded by Drips. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Knaack arrived at 5:33 p.m.

Josh Meggers introduced himself to council and announced his running for Iowa House of Representatives District 54. Because of the redistricting, Grassley will no longer be the representative for Reinbeck. He gave a history of himself and his family and asked council for items that they would like to see the state help with.

Mayor opened the Public Hearing on the Proposed City Maximum Property Tax Dollars at 5:40 p.m. The proposed levy rate will be down from the current year certified property taxes but the FY22/23 budget year effective property taxes will increase 6% due to general insurance increase, employee benefits, a new generator at the Memorial Building, and collecting the maximum emergency levy to support the general fund. Ragsdale moved to close the hearing, seconded by Rasmussen. 5 ayes. Motion carried. The hearing was closed at 5:41 p.m. Hearing no comments, for or against, written or oral, Ragsdale moved to approve Resolution #2022-05R, A Resolution Approving the FY2023 Maximum Property Tax Dollars in the amount of \$762,690, seconded by Knaack. Roll call vote: Dripps – aye, Ragsdale – aye, Murphy – aye, Knaack – aye, Rasmussen – aye. Motion carried.

Mayor opened the Public Hearing on Amending the Current Budget at 5:42 p.m. Revenues are increasing due to the ARP COVID Grant. Expenditures are increasing for fire department engineering fees & equipment repairs, street sweeping labor, new dishwasher at the Memorial Building, new dump truck, new carpeting at City Hall, library projects, and stormwater repairs. Ragsdale moved to close the hearing, seconded by Dripps. 5 ayes. Motion carried. The hearing was closed at 5:44 p.m. Hearing no comments, for or against, written or oral, Murphy moved to approve Resolution #2022-06R, A Resolution Amending the Current Budget Ending June 30, 2022, seconded by Ragsdale. Roll call vote: Rasmussen – aye, Knaack – aye, Murphy – aye, Ragsdale – aye, Dripps – aye. Motion carried.

Murphy moved to set the FY2023 Budget Hearing for March 7, 2022 at 5:30 p.m., seconded by Rasmussen. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Rasmussen moved to approve Resolution #2022-07R, A Resolution Directing the Clerk to Publish Notice of Hearing on the Adoption of the Proposed "Code of Ordinances of the City of Reinbeck, Iowa" and set the hearing for March 7, 2022, seconded by Dripps. Roll call vote: Dripps – aye, Ragsdale – aye, Murphy – aye, Knaack – aye, Rasmussen – aye. Motion carried.

Mayor shared an email he received from Sheriff Kirk Dolleslager regarding budget increases. The sheriff's office received a 15% pay increase due to the Back the Blue bill the Governor signed into law last July. Also, due to increase in patrol cars and inflation, they are asking for a 6% raise in the contract.

Ragsdale moved to take out \$4,000 from library CD#3000425244 and roll the remaining balance for another 6 months and renew the full balance of CD#3000335170 for another 12 months, seconded by Murphy. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Spraying RFP's will be sent to Jeff Charlie, TruGreen, Precision Lawn Care, and Greens Keeper Lawn Service. Mowing RFP's will be sent to Precision Lawn Care, and Greens Keeper Lawn Care.

Knaack moved to set a City Wide Spring Clean Up Day for Saturday, April 16, 2022 with a rain date of April 23, 2022, seconded by Rasmussen. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Ragsdale informed council that the EMS has 3 members taking Advanced EMT training and 1 is already certified. This will change the level of service they offer. He has checked with the insurance and there will be no change for this service.

Graffiti on the back of 114 Broad was discussed. Wilkerson will contact the owner and have them clean this up.

Having no other business to discuss, Knaack moved to adjourn, seconded by Rasmussen. 5 ayes. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Ash Larsen, Mayor

Julie Wilkerson, City Administrator