

April 1, 2024
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 Eiffler called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Council present at roll call were Dripps, Ragsdale, Johnson, Trepp, and Rasmussen. Also present were Wilkerson, Allison & Tyler Roby, Sue Buskohl, Allen Hansen, Rex & Brenda Dinsdale, Steve & Teresa Kauffman, Randall Rohach, Ryan Collins, Lenah Oltman, Chris Heasley, and Robbie Rhoades.

Dripps moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Johnson. 5 ayes. Motion carried. The approved Consent Agenda consisted of Minutes from March 4, 2024, Treasurer's Report, Bills to be paid in the amount of \$171,465.76, Bills paid from March 5, 2024 through March 29, 2024, February Bank Reconciliation & Financial Reports, February bills paid, March Budget Report, March Utility Billing Audit Report, and a Class C Alcohol License for Legion Action Post #242.

Ragsdale moved to approve the Agenda with striking items p and q as request by the Mayor, seconded by Rasmussen. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

There were no visitors present that were not already on the Agenda.

Allen Hansen approached council regarding adding two more handicap parking spaces south of the two existing handicap spaces by the U.C.C. church. After discussion, Dripps moved to allow two more handicap spaces with disclaimer signs on them that state Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to noon, seconded by Johnson. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Ryan Collins approached council regarding being reimbursed in the amount of \$1,800.00 for curb and gutter repair that he replaced when his driveway was poured. The county is responsible for the middle 22' of Pioneer Road and anything that falls outside of that is city responsibility. Ragsdale moved to approve reimbursing Ryan \$1,800.00 for curb and gutter repair, seconded by Trepp. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

City Hall received a suggestion that speed cameras be placed on College Street and Park Street by the park. The mayor has checked into speed cameras and the State is making changes to how they work. He has contacted the Sheriff's Office to have them patrol these areas more. No action was taken.

Rasmussen moved to approve Carl Cheeseman to the Memorial Building Board, seconded by Trepp. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Ragsdale moved to approve Dale Wambold to the Planning & Zoning Board, seconded by Dripps. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Ragsdale moved to open the hearing on the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract, and estimate of cost for the Randall Street Resurfacing Project, seconded by Rasmussen. 5 ayes. Motion carried. The hearing was opened at 5:41. The engineer's estimate for the project was \$265,332.50.

Three bids were received as follows:

Hudson Hardware Plumbing & Heating \$197,146.00

ASPRO, Inc. \$216,809.80

Peterson Contractors, Inc. \$245,992.50

The engineer has check references for the lowest bidder.

Hearing no comments, for or against, written or oral, Ragsdale moved to close the hearing, seconded by Rasmussen. 5 ayes. Motion carried. The hearing was closed at 5:42 p.m.

Ragsdale moved to approve Resolution #2024-07R, A Resolution Awarding Contract for the Randall Street Resurfacing Project giving the project to the lowest bidder, Hudson Hardware Plumbing & Heating in the amount of \$197,146.00, seconded by Rasmussen. Roll call vote: Dripps – aye, Ragsdale – aye, Johnson – aye, Trepp – aye, Rasmussen – aye. Motion carried.

Dripps moved to set the FY2025 Budget Hearing for April 22, 2024 at 5:30 p.m., seconded by Ragsdale. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Ragsdale moved to set a FY2024 Budget Amendment Hearing for May 6, 2024 at 5:30 p.m., seconded by Trepp. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Ragsdale moved to approve Resolution #2024-08R, A Resolution Proposing Ordinance and Setting Hearing for New Water & Sewer Rates and set the Hearing for May 6, 2024 at 5:30 p.m., seconded by Rasmussen. Roll call vote: Dripps – aye, Ragsdale – aye, Johnson – aye, Trepp – aye, Rasmussen – aye. Motion carried.

Mayor discussed selling some old city equipment that is not used any longer, such as the maintainer, and possibly purchasing a mini excavator and trailer. He will get some numbers put together for the next meeting. The council requested an inventory of all city equipment as well.

The Progress Report for 402 Main Street was discussed. The Mayor would like to see the building materials stored inside the building instead of on the street. He also wants the street repaired before the fireman's dance in July. Ragsdale will speak with Brent Bovy regarding these concerns.

Ameriprise Financial would like to rent an office space for two months while remodeling is done at their property. Rent would be the same as the other offices, \$150 per month. Dripps moved to rent the office space to Ameriprise Financial for two months, seconded by Trepp. 4 ayes. Motion carried. Rasmussen abstained.

Ray Rannfeldt has asked the council to waive his office space rent where old newspapers are stored as he works on digitizing them. Because Ray has done so many volunteer projects throughout the town Ragsdale moved to allow him to use the office space for free, unless it is needed, seconded by Trepp. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Ragsdale moved to approve Payment Request #5 in the amount of \$76,166.76 to Matt Construction for the Bathhouse Project, seconded by Dripps. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Reinbeck Renovation has submitted claims for the first draw from the city in the amount of \$360,000.00. Wilkerson explained that these funds would have to come from the General Fund and be replaced when the city is reimbursed from the State, which would be in approximately six weeks. The council Minutes approving the first draw are enough to get the claim process started as quickly as possible. This revenue and expense are not in the budget so the budget would have to be amended before payment could be made. The council was hesitant to have such a large sum be tied up for six weeks or longer. Johnson moved to take no action at this time and have someone from Reinbeck Renovation come to the April 22, 2024 meeting to explain the project and grant, seconded by Trepp. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Dripps left the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

Multiple citizens were at the meeting to express their desire for the city to allow UTV's in city limits. They stressed that it would be just UTV's and not ATV's. HF2130 allows ATV's/UTV's to be ridden on certain county and state highways. Johnson checked with surrounding city's Ordinances and found that Reinbeck is the only city that does not allow UTV's. After much discussion, for and against allowing UTV's in the city limits, Johnson moved to set a hearing date on an Ordinance change at the April 22, 2024 meeting, seconded by Trepp. Johnson – aye, Trepp – aye, Rasmussen – aye, Ragsdale – nay. Motion carried.

As Dripps had already left, no action was taken on the commercial.

Having no further business to discuss, Johnson moved to adjourn, seconded by Ragsdale. 4 ayes. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Mayor, Jamie Eiffler

Julie Wilkerson, City Administrator