

June 1, 2020  
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 called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Council present were Muller, Ragsdale, Murphy, Knaack and Rasmussen. Also present was Wilkerson and Keith Sindt.

Muller moved to approve the Statement of Rationale – “Pandemic conditions for social distancing make it impractical and impossible for the Council to allow the public to attend this meeting. Individuals wanting to address council regarding an agenda item will be called to enter the meeting when the item is called upon. All the requirements of Iowa Code 21.8 will be satisfied”, seconded by Rasmussen. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Murphy moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Ragsdale. 4 ayes. Motion carried. The Consent Agenda consisted of Minutes from May 4, 2020, Treasurer’s Report, Bills to be paid in the amount of \$282,703.18, Bills paid from May 4, 2020 through May 31, 2020, April Bank Reconciliation & Financial Reports, April bills paid, May Budget Report, May Utility Billing Audit Report, 20/21 Iowa Retail Permit Application for Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor for Trunck’s county Foods and a 20/21 Iowa Retail Permit Application for Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor for Casey’s General Store.

Muller moved to approve the Agenda, seconded by Rasmussen. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Knaack arrived at 5:39 p.m.

Keith Sindt approached council regarding invoices, in the amount of approximately \$1,800, that he received for sewer cleaning done at 609 Blackhawk. Part of this work involved cleaning out the sewer main. Muller moved to table this item until July 6, 2020 to get a break out of the invoices that show the city amount and the homeowner’s amount, seconded by Ragsdale. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor opened the Wastewater Rate Ordinance Hearing at 5:47 p.m. The new rates reflect an increase of 3% that was based on the net income and debt service coverage study that was performed by Speer Financial. The new rate will be \$22.29 for the first 150 cubic feet of water used and \$ .0962 per cubic foot after that. These rates would begin for service July 20, 2020 for billings beginning August 31, 2020. Muller moved to close the hearing, seconded by Rasmussen. 5 ayes. Motion carried. The hearing was closed at 5:49 p.m.

Muller moved to approve the First Reading on Proposal to Amend the Wastewater Rate Ordinance by the City of Reinbeck, Iowa, seconded by Murphy. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Ragsdale move to set the Second Reading on Proposal to Amend the Wastewater Rate Ordinance by the City of Reinbeck, Iowa on July 6, 2020, seconded by Knaack. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Muller moved to approve Resolution #2020-12R, A Resolution Changing Water Rates, seconded by Knaack. Roll call vote: Rasmussen – aye, Knaack – aye, Murphy – aye, Ragsdale – aye, Muller – aye. Motion carried. The new water rates will be \$14.13 for 150 cubic feet of water used and \$ .0324 per cubic feet over that. These rates would begin for service July 20, 2020 for billings beginning August 31, 2020.

Rasmussen moved to approve Resolution #2020-13R, A Resolution Setting the Date for Hearing and Letting and Approving the Form of Notice of Hearing on Proposed Plans, Specifications, Proposed Form

of Contract and Estimated Cost and Notice to Bidders, seconded by Muller. Roll call vote: Muller – aye, Ragsdale – aye, Murphy – aye, Knaack – aye, Rasmussen – aye. Motion carried.

Ragsdale moved to approve Resolution #2020-14R, A Resolution Setting Rates for Clean Up and Mowing of Nuisance Properties with the following changes:

1. Clean up of property or weed eating only \$100 per hour with a 1 hour minimum
2. Mowing & weed eating \$150 per mowing
3. Administration fee \$100 per mowing

Murphy seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Rasmussen – aye, Knaack – aye, Murphy – aye, Ragsdale – aye, Muller – aye. Motion carried.

Murphy moved to approve Alicia Smiley to the Park Board, seconded by Knaack. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Muller moved to approve the 2020/2021 Wage Resolution with the restriction of the street operator meeting his sprayer's license requirements by October 1, 2020 or his wages default back to the 2019/2020 wage until that requirement is met, seconded by Murphy. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Murphy moved to approve a Certification of Lien for an unpaid shut off repair bill at 404 Randall Street, seconded by Knaack. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

The deadline requirement for the demolition of 405 Pine has expired. Ragsdale moved to proceed with Nuisance Abatement procedures for 405 Pine Street, seconded by Muller. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Muller moved to renew RTU CD #3000711023 for another 12 months and RTU CD #3000711007 for another 6 months, seconded by Ragsdale. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

COVID-19 re-openings were discussed as follows. The Memorial Building will have to comply with the CDC recommendations regarding cleaning and also serving of food. A guide line will be drawn up and sent with the party when they pick up a key. No lap swimming or swimming lessons until all the pool is open. Manager should be there at all times. Temperatures should be taken before entry. Restrict to G-R school district only. Frequent cleaning of bathrooms required. Porta potties and hand sanitizer stations were discussed at the park.

A bid was received for a 2008 Polaris Industries Ranger XP 700 with 6181 miles for \$6,700.00 to replace the 6-wheeler that needs 6 new tires. This would be used for spraying the park and also weed spraying along the streets. Council requested getting quotes for a golf cart also. These will be brought back at the July 6, 2020 meeting for discussion.

Muller moved to adjourn, seconded by Knaack. 5 ayes. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

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Ash Larsen, Mayor

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Julie Wilkerson, City Administrator