

February 3, 2025
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 Ragsdale, Johnson, Trepp, and Rasmussen. Dripps was absent. Also present were Wilkerson, Chris Heasley, Tim Johnson, Dale Wambold, Jeff Charley, Michelle Heasley, Ginny Poppen, Marion Boyer, Lenah Oltman, Rebecca Schildroth, Daniel Mohlis, and Tina Lyon.

Johnson moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Trepp. 4 ayes. Motion carried. The approved Consent Agenda consisted of Minutes from January 6, 2025, Treasurer's Report, Bills to be paid in the amount of \$51,570.70, Bills paid from January 7, 2025 through January 31, 2025, December Bank Reconciliation and Financial Reports, December Bills Paid, January Budget Report, and January Utility Billing Audit Report.

Johnson moved to approve the Agenda, seconded by Ragsdale. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Lenah gave council an update on happenings at the Reinbeck Library including Valentine's Day event, Monday Night Late Night, and working with CDC to help promote their events. She has also written a grant for \$20,000 for new chairs.

The fire department approached council asking for a commitment on an amount they are willing to bond for a new fire station. Their request last fall was for the city to commit to \$3 million. The project is estimated to cost approximately \$4.2 million. That would include site prep and ground work, concrete, and the building. They currently have \$276,000. The council would like to have a feasibility study done, asking residents if they are willing to pass a referendum for a new station, before funds are spent with the bonding attorney on ballet langue. Trepp moved to approve moving forward with a \$2 million bond referendum if the feasibility study shows that there is support from the citizens, seconded by Rasmussen. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Dale Wambold gave an update on the Community Development projects and future plans.

Ragsdale moved to approve Resolution #2025-03R, A Resolution to Transfer Funds to Pay Upcoming Obligations, seconded by Johnson. Roll call vote: Ragsdale – aye, Johnson – aye, Trepp – aye, Rasmussen – aye. Motion carried.

Ragsdale moved to approve Change Order #2 in the amount of (\$39,380.00) for the Highway 175 Crossing at Pioneer Road Stormwater Improvements Project, seconded by Rasmussen. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Ragsdale moved to approve Payment Request #3 in the amount of \$65,303.00 to Peterson Contractors, Inc. for the Highway 175 Crossing at Pioneer Road Stormwater Improvements Project, seconded by Johnson. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Ragsdale moved to approve the FY24 Audit RFP from Gronewold, Bell, Kyhnn & Co. P.C. in the amount of \$5,140.00, seconded by Trepp. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor reported that Precision Lawn Care would be raising the cost of mowing Elmwood Park by \$120. Everything else would stay the same as last year. Rasmussen moved to not send Mowing RFP's out and contract Precision Lawn Care to do the city mowing again, seconded by Trepp. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

A quote was given from Municipal Supply, Inc. to install a Base Station Meter Reading System in the amount of \$47,125.00 plus annual support fees. This would allow readings to be pulled into City Hall on demand and help identify potential leaks, sooner, than citizens may have. Ragsdale moved to approve the purchase and installation of a Base Station Meter Reading System in the amount of \$47,125.00, seconded by Trepp. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

A bid was received from Titan Machinery for a used Case rubber track mini excavator and trailer for \$87,200.00. This would be used for cemetery, parks, water, sewer, and streets. Rasmussen moved to approve the purchase of a Case mini excavator & trailer in the amount of \$87,200.00, seconded by Ragsdale. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Ragsdale moved to set the Property Tax Levy Hearing for April 7, 2025 at 5:00 p.m., seconded by Johnson. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Trepp moved to approve a Spring Clean Up Day for April 12, 2025 with a rain date of April 19, 2025, seconded by Rasmussen. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Ragsdale moved to bump Bengen's wage to \$27.00 per hour starting July 1, 2025, seconded by Trepp. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Rate increases for city amenities, golf carts, and rentals were discussed as a possible way to increase revenues to help with the city budgets. This will be sent to the boards to discuss and come up with ideas for possible increases.

Budgets that share the General Fund were discussed. The Library Board was the only board to come back with no budget cuts. All other boards cut their budgets to help with the shortfall. The shortfall went from \$110,486 to \$47,576 with these cuts, but still short. Wilkerson informed council that the shortfalls come from any surplus that is in the General Fund and that surplus is being widdled away each year because of budget shortfalls and amendments. After much discussion, Johnson moved to approve the submitted budget requests from the boards with no additional cuts, seconded by Ragsdale. 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Having no further business to discuss, Johnson moved to adjourn, seconded by Ragsdale. 4 ayes. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Mayor, Jamie Eiffler

Julie Wilkerson, City Administrator

CITY OF REINBECK

EXPENSES APPROVED 2/3/2025

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| FARMERS FEED & SUPPLY | CITY - PICKUP REPAIRS/SUPPLIES | \$ | 264.10 |
| ALLIANT ENERGY | CITY - UTILITIES | \$ | 21,765.15 |
| IOWA ONE CALL | WA/SW - LOCATES | \$ | 33.50 |

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| MICROBAC LABORATORIES INC | WA/SW - TESTING | \$ 852.25 |
| LON'S PLUMBING | MEMORIAL BLDG - TOILET REPAIRS | \$ 150.70 |
| BAKER & TAYLOR | LIBRARY - BOOKS | \$ 102.82 |
| GRUNDY CO RECORDER | CLERK - RECORDING FEE | \$ 17.00 |
| TREASURER-STATE OF IOWA | CITY - DEC 2024 TAXES DUE | \$ 2,282.51 |
| LSB | FED/FICA TAX | \$ 5,569.46 |
| TAMA/GRUNDY PUBLISHING | CLERK - LEGAL NOTICES | \$ 341.62 |
| GORDON FLESCH | CLERK - COPIER CONTRACT | \$ 81.08 |
| USPS | CITY - POSTAGE OF UTILITY BILLS | \$ 211.76 |
| IPERS | REGULAR IPERS | \$ 4,075.18 |
| IAMU | WATER - 1ST QTR 2025 TRAINING | \$ 504.00 |
| BENGEN BRETT | STREET - CELL PHONE | \$ 31.00 |
| KONE | LIBRARY - ELEVATOR MAINT | \$ 413.01 |
| USA BLUE BOOK | WATER - SUPPLIES | \$ 473.96 |
| COOLEY PUMPING | CITY - CONTRACT LABOR | \$ 680.00 |
| MUNICIPAL SUPPLY | WA/SW - NEW METERS | \$ 22,264.00 |
| RTU | CITY - PHONE & INTERNET | \$ 459.35 |
| HAWKINS | WATER - CHLORINE | \$ 20.00 |
| RYAN EXTERMINATING | CITY - PEST CONTROL | \$ 65.00 |
| ELAN | LIBRARY - BOOKS | \$ 2,946.43 |
| BMC AGGREGATES L C | SNOW - SALT/SAND MIX | \$ 1,397.88 |
| CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT | LIBRARY - BOOKS | \$ 50.00 |
| CHRISTIE DOOR | STREET - GARAGE DOOR REPAIR | \$ 231.25 |
| PETERSON CONTRACTORS | STORMWATER - PAY REQUEST #3 | \$ 65,303.00 |
| IMFOA | CLERK - 2025 MEMBERSHIP DUES | \$ 50.00 |
| CONTINENTAL RESEARCH | STREET - SUPPLIES | \$ 528.51 |
| WASTE ZERO | GARBAGE/RECYCLING - BAGS | \$ 7,555.50 |
| IOWA CODIFICATION | CLERK - ANNUAL WEB HOSTING | \$ 804.00 |
| WINDSTREAM | WATER - PLANT PHONE | \$ 14.60 |
| REINBECK HARDWARE | CEMETERY - MARKING PAINT | \$ 15.47 |
| GRUNDY CO SHERIFF | POLICE - CONTRACT | \$ 12,889.17 |
| CENGAGE LEARNING INC/GALE | LIBRARY - BOOKS | \$ 53.98 |
| WILKERSON, JULIE | CLERK - CELL PHONE | \$ 31.00 |
| AFLAC | AFLAC CANCR PRE | \$ 252.54 |
| WINKOWITSCH, TREY | WA/SW - CELL PHONE | \$ 31.00 |
| HSA-WILKERSON | HSA CONTRIB | \$ 898.06 |
| HSA-WINKOWITSCH | HSA CONTRIB | \$ 461.52 |
| UNIFIRST CORPORATION | MEMORIAL BLDG - SUPPLIES | \$ 113.01 |
| WELLMARK BCBS | HEALTH BENEFIT | \$ 5,573.80 |
| CORNFED DESIGNS | CLERK - POOL/PARK HIRING AD | \$ 65.00 |
| ECKHOFF, RANDY | PARK/CEMETERY - CELL PHONE | \$ 31.00 |
| LARSEN, DONNA | MEMORIAL BLDG - CLEANING | \$ 198.25 |
| | MEMORIAL BLDG - DEPOSIT | |
| MEMORIAL BLDG DEP RETURN | REFUNDS | \$ 400.00 |
| HSA-BENGEN | HSA CONTRIB | \$ 461.52 |

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| SPAHN & ROSE LUMBER CO | MEMORIAL BLDG - REPAIRS | \$ | 8.17 |
| SCHICK, KADYN | PARK/CEMETERY - CELL PHONE | \$ | 31.00 |
| HSA-OLTMAN | HSA CONTRIB | \$ | 500.00 |
| FISH WINDOW CLEANING | CITY HALL - WINDOW WASHING | \$ | 40.00 |
| TRIONFO SOLUTIONS LLC | CITY - DISABILITY/LIABILITY | \$ | 138.05 |
| ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING | LIBRARY - COPIER CONTRACT | \$ | 119.05 |
| HSA-SCHICK | HSA CONTRIB | \$ | 269.22 |
| REINBECK COUNTRY FOODS | CITY - SUPPLIES | \$ | 134.76 |
| | CLAIMS TOTAL | \$ | 162,254.19 |
| | GENERAL FUND | \$ | 25,793.05 |
| | ROAD USE TAX FUND | \$ | 10,863.85 |
| | EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUND | \$ | 7,083.36 |
| | WATER FUND | \$ | 14,128.19 |
| | SEWER FUND | \$ | 31,321.84 |
| | GARBAGE/RECYCLING FUND | \$ | 7,660.26 |
| | FITNESS CENTER FUND | \$ | 43.62 |
| | STORMWATER UTILITY FUND | \$ | 65,360.02 |