

**Rowan City Council Meeting
August 1, 2022**

Mayor Lennea Groom opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Council present- Mark Bruns, Dale Hollman, and Virgil Park.

Minutes of the July 7 meeting was approved with a motion by Bruns, 2nd by Park. Approved unanimously.

Financials/Vouchers – Motion by Hollman to approve vouchers and pay bills, 2nd by Bruns. Approved.

August Expenditures – AgSource Labs (water/backwash testing) \$83.75; Alliant Energy (electric) \$1,366.08; Belmont Laundry (rugs) \$32.00; Mark Bruns (fruit trees/fencing) \$377.10; Debt Service Reserve (transfer) \$236.00; Frontier (phone) \$116.82; Iowa One Call (location services) \$15.30; IPERS (pensions) \$270.10; Mort’s Water (812 Pesch pump) \$374.00; Rowan Fire (1/3 LOST) \$769.34; Rowan Library (CC receipts, 1/3 LOST) \$794.36; Sewer (transfer) \$5,478.92; Street Fund (1/3 LOST) \$769.36; T&S Sanitation (dumpster) \$22.50; Treasurer-State of IA (July WET) \$154.46 (July Sales) \$50.22; USDA (loan) \$2,199.00; Aimee Frohling (City Clerk) \$731.25; Alex Frohling (Water assist) \$88.64; Gene Frohling (Water super) \$440.97; Lennea Groom (Mayor) \$92.26; Tamara Hollman (mowing) \$355.14; Terri Curtis (Janitor) \$71.02.

Public Input – None.

Fire Dept – Three members attended grain bin rescue training. The truck that was going to be purchased has been returned to previous owner, the Fire Chief intends to contact the administrator of the grant to ask approval for spending those funds on another piece of equipment that is needed.

Maintenance – Water leak in Events Center basement bathroom, called Steenblock to fix. Small sink hole was reported to City Hall on the North end of town and a pipe is visible. Mayor will flag it for maintenance to check out.

Emergency Management – Jarika Eisentrager in attendance. Discussed previous Rowan plan, current County plan. The Lions Club is backing a project to put an automatic generator at the church, which is considered the primary storm shelter in town. Should look at putting generator at Community Center as a secondary shelter and/or Emergency Command Center. Discussed needing procedures, how long should the power be out before plan is executed. Different based on season and current population. Who might provide transportation from homes to shelter if necessary? Need to set up chain of command. Also discussed was tornado siren, the County thought it was automated on a switch at dispatch, it is not. Will get in contact with dispatcher to find out procedure for sounding sirens, testing them, and also what it might take to get an automated one. Jarika described what her office would provide in an emergency situation and brought some sample files that we can use to create plans specific to Rowan.

Community Center South Wall/Roof – Reviewed updated estimate from JG Remodeling, Hollman motioned to approve, commenting that Sales tax should be removed. 2nd by Park. Approved. Clerk will send tax exempt form to JG Remodeling.

Mileage Resolution – presented for 2nd time. Hollman is opposed, only 3 members in attendance, will not pass, item was dropped.

710 Duffy Agreement – Joe West in attendance, discussed progress on the contract.

Lettering on Fire Dept/Waterworks – Hollman has a contact and will get a quote.

121 Main Street Abandonment – a lien search has been requested.

Playground equipment – Updated estimates are a little higher and lead time has pushed back some. Grants in multiple stages of being written and/or waiting on acceptance

Law Enforcement Agreement – Discussion regarding lack of communication from both WC Sheriff and City Attorney. Discussed other options for City attorney. Motion by Bruns to stop paying the contract amount to the Sheriff’s department for a code enforcement agreement that is not being followed. 2nd by Park. Approved.

Building permits – None.

Bruns moves to adjourn.

Next regular meeting of the council will be Monday, September 5, 2022 at 7 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Aimee Frohling - City Clerk of Rowan