

**Rowan City Council Meeting
June 6, 2022**

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

Council present- Mark Bruns, Dale Hollman, Virgil Park, Marcos Hurtado, and Ashley Bosch.

Minutes of May meeting was approved with a motion by Bruns, second by Park. Approved unanimously. Financials/Vouchers – Motion by Hollman to approve vouchers and pay bills, 2nd by Hurtado. Approved unanimously. June Expenditures – AgSource Labs (water/backwash testing) \$83.75; Alliant Energy (electric) \$1,174.63; Belmont Laundry (rugs) \$32.00; Debt Service Reserve (transfer) \$236.00; Frontier (phone) \$102.83; Gold Eagle Cooperative (FD Fuel) \$29.98; Hawkins, Inc. (Additives) \$243.58; ICAP (Insurance) \$8,273.00; IMFOA (Membership) \$50.00; IPERS (pensions) \$259.29; Mid-America Publishing (publishing) \$228.90; Mort's Water (Tank pumping) \$5,802.82; MT Shearing (Clean Up Day) \$426.40; Norweco (Backwash tablets) \$252.24; Rowan Fire (1/3 LOST) \$711.65; Rowan Library (1/3 LOST) \$711.67; Sewer (transfer) \$5,614.14; Storey Kenworthy (office/cleaning supply) \$354.92; Street Fund (1/3 LOST) \$711.67; T&S Sanitation (dumpster) \$15.00; USA Bluebook (pump, testing supply) \$956.65; USDA (loan) \$2,199.00; VISA (shredder) \$248.23; Aimee Miller (City Clerk) \$556.36; Alex Frohling (Water assist) \$88.64; Gene Frohling (Water super) \$440.97; Lennea Groom (Mayor) \$92.26; Tamara Hollman (mowing) \$585.32; Terri Curtis (Janitor) \$84.27; Virgil Park (Maint) \$115.81.

Public Input – Larry Riedel would like dust control on Patton, it would benefit the whole town, as the dust is carried by the southerly wind across town. There is a lot of truck traffic on that road. Bosch will get an estimate from the County Secondary Roads department for leveling/filling pot holes on Patton and treating it. Will get a 2nd estimate from Woody's Dust Control. Mayor states numerous complaints have been received regarding a resident that has up to 10 dogs living at their residence and are very loud. Will send a letter to the owner of the dogs to start.

Fire Dept – Discussed problems with pagers/radios. Mayor will bring up at the next Emergency Management Meeting and possibly the Board of Supervisors. Other small towns are also having issues. Chief would like approval to add Chris Cannon as a member of the Fire dept. Motion by Hollman to approve, 2nd by Hurtado. Approved.

Maintenance – Park states there has been lots of activity in the Community Center over the past month, has purchased a charging station for camera batteries and glue to repair tables, the edging has started to come off due to people rolling them across the floor. The A/C was not working again this year in the library, Steenblock came and recharged the unit, still can not find any leaks, possibly a seal is getting hard in the winter time causing it to leak during cold weather. It costs around \$250 to recharge it each year, to replace the compressor would be around \$4,000. Council agrees to have it recharged annually and to set it up on a schedule to have Steenblock come around the 1st of May each year, the entire unit will probably need replaced in 5 years or so anyway. Park sprayed all of the parking lots and playground. Would like to put the speed limit sign back up on Pritchett, has permission to do so. Hollman added that he emptied all 4 of the backwash tanks, there was about nine inches of iron built up in the bottom, he land applied on his property.

Presentation by Dan Ashworth representing Municipal Supply, Inc. with a quote on radio read meters. Many questions and answers. Will vote on estimates at July meeting from Core & Main or Municipal Supply.

Community Center South Wall/Roof – A contractor is coming to look at it this coming Thursday.

Review Burning Ordinance – Discussion regarding people burning garbage, currently the Ordinance doesn't allow for any kind of burning outside of cooking/recreational. Would like to amend the Ordinance to allow for the burning of yard debris, etc. Mayor and Clerk will draft something for the Council to review.

Asbestos Abatement 103 Main Street – Received estimate for abating the asbestos and contractor believes it could still qualify for recycling and the grant offered by the DNR. The DNR may also have a separate grant for the asbestos abatement, will pursue that.

Code Enforcement; 121 Main Street Abandonment; Law Enforcement Agreement – Haven't heard from City attorney.

Playground equipment – Clerk has been granted access to apply for one of the grants, still working on others. Bosch wonders if both playground sets could be done at the same time, will see what funding is available. Bruns suggests updating the quote we received since prices on everything are going up and also checking on backorder status.

Building permits – None

Park moves to adjourn.

Next regular meeting of the council will be Wednesday, July 6, 2022 at 7 PM. (Note date change due to holiday).

Respectfully submitted,

Aimee Miller - City Clerk of Rowan