

Rowan City Council Meeting Minutes
Special Meeting
January 23, 2023

Mayor Lennea Groom opened the meeting at 5:30 PM.

Council present via conference call- Dale Hollman, Mark Bruns, Marcos Hurtado and Ashley Bosch. Darrel Steven Carlyle in person with Mayor and Clerk.

No Public Input

Resolution 2023-01 Support Heart of Iowa Housing Trust Fund – Mayor reads the resolution. Carlyle explains there is no cost to any municipalities in Wright County. The Board of Supervisors committed \$5,000 and Carlyle is fundraising with other organizations for the remaining matching funds required. Program will be available to all residents of Wright County in town and rural areas. Funding comes from Iowa Finance Authority, based on per capita of each County. Wright County will receive approximately \$80,000 annually, which would support 7-10 homes per year. Eligible applicants would be owner occupied homes among other requirements, must stay in the home for 5 years, it is a forgivable grant that is credited 20% per year over the term of five years. The City would not have to do anything other than show support for the program. The Public Housing Trust Board in Fort Dodge would make decisions, and they would be responsible for handling any issues, such as someone selling a home before the 5 year period. There is an individual from Wright County serving on that Board. Motion by Bruns to approve Resolution 2023-01, 2nd by Hurtado. Roll Call Vote: Hurtado – Y, Hollman – Y, Bosch – Y, Bruns – Y. Park Absent. Approved.

Summit Carbon Solutions – request for bulk water access. Could not give an estimate of how much water would be needed, but stated we could put a daily limit on them. Would begin late summer 2023 and go for about a year, plans to continue through winter. Mayor spoke with the Water Superintendent and he does not think our system would support something like this. Carlyle suggested that they could be negotiated with for system upgrades and that is what another town is doing. Many comments from all council members, none are in favor of the project and do not want the City of Rowan associated with it. Hollman makes a motion in so many words to deny selling bulk water no matter what they are willing to offer, 2nd by Bruns. Roll Call Vote: Hurtado – Y, Bosch – Y, Hollman – Y, Bruns – Y. Park Absent. Motion carries.

Bruns moves to adjourn, 2nd by Hollman. Adjourned.

Next regular meeting of the council will be Monday, February 6, 2023 at 7 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Aimee J Frohling - City Clerk of Rowan