

Rowan City Council Meeting September 2, 2019

Mayor Ronnie Bailey opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Council persons present- Mark Bruns, Dale Hollman, and Kathy Ketchum.

Minutes of the August 5, 2019 meeting were approved with a motion by Ketchum, second by Bruns. Carried.

Motion to approve Treasurer's report by Bruns, second by Ketchum. Carried.
September Expenditures - AgSource Labs \$271.00; Alliant Energy \$1,128.75; Belmont Laundry \$32.00; First National Bank of Omaha \$282.03; Frontier \$101.16; Hawkins, Inc. \$323.25; Hogan Hansen \$7,000.00; IPERS \$247.28; Mort's Water \$3,188.08; Wright County Treasurer \$336.00; Wright County Landfill \$987.50; Aimee Miller \$819.88; Alex Frohling \$86.06; Gene Frohling \$521.19; Ronnie Bailey \$138.52; Tamara Hollman \$354.16; Terri Curtis \$108.05; Virgil Park \$15.24; Mark Bruns \$45.71; Amanda Meyer \$15.24.

Motion by Hollman, 2nd by Bruns to move Brandon Morton up on the agenda. Approved. Pumping contract - discussion over which houses are getting pumped, how often, and why. City will want records of inspections and when pumped. Other discussion regarding cement work that hasn't been completed, seeding and ground leveling not yet acceptable. Mayor has discovered a basement block was broken. Mort's will have cement guy look at it. Motion by Ketchum to approve the pumping contract for a period of 8 years at \$5,802.82 per year, 2nd by Bruns. Carried.

Public Input - Received email from Professor James B Martin-Schramm, Director-Center for Sustainable Communities at Luther College giving advice to cities on how to respond to Alliant Energy's Proposed Electric Rate Increase. He will assist in filing with the Iowa Utilities Board our opposition. Discussion regarding how increase will affect the town and it's residents. Motion by Bruns, 2nd by Hollman to have Clerk compose a letter of opposition and having it filed. Clerk is going to apply for the Derelict Building Grant again this year for the 103 Main Street property and will also attend a conference on Sept 16th in Ackley by Iowa Economic Development for their Community Catalyst Building Remediation Program. There is a bike rack behind the waterworks building that hasn't been used for years, library has wanted a bike rack. Will get someone to move it in the spring. New information about improving alley's.

Snow Removal bids - Motion to publish same as previous years in paper for 2 weeks to be received before the next council meeting by Hollman, 2nd by Ketchum. Approved.

City Attorney - Will table for one month.

Election - Reminder of when nomination papers are due.

Motion by Bruns to adjourn, 2nd by Ketchum. Carried.

Next regular meeting of the council will be October 7, 2019 at 7 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Aimee Miller - City Clerk of Rowan