Rowan City Council Meeting August 2, 2021

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

Council present- Mark Bruns, Dale Hollman, Marcos Hurtado, Virgil Park and Lennea Groom.

Minutes of the July meeting were approved with a motion by Hollman, second by Groom. Approved unanimously.

Motion to approve Treasurer's report by Hollman, second by Bruns. Approved unanimously. August Expenditures – AgSource Labs (water testing) \$154.50; Alliant Energy (electric) \$1,246.94; Belmond Laundry (rugs) \$8.00; Mark Bruns (empty backwash/receipt reimb) \$309.46; Dale Hollman (empty backwash) \$200.00; Debt Service Reserve (transfer) \$236.00; Frontier (phone) \$101.56; Hawkins, Inc. (Additives) \$268.01; Iowa One Call (location services) \$8.10; IPERS (pensions) \$249.32; Landgraphics (mosquito control) \$600.00; Pathfinders (Dues) \$155.10; Mort's Water (Maint/Install phosph pump) \$3,202.55; Rowan Fire (1/3 LOST) \$986.78; Rowan Library (1/3 LOST, reimb) \$1,011.79; Sewer (transfer) \$6,042.14; Storey Kenworthy (office supply) \$472.09; Street Fund (1/3 LOST) \$986.79; The Trash Man (Recycling – 1 yr) \$60.00; True Value (Softener salt/paint) \$87.39; USDA (loan) \$2,199.00; Virgil Park (Receipt reimb) \$75.97; Wright Co Sheriff (FY22 Q1) \$997.50; Aimee Miller (City Clerk) \$718.10; Alex Frohling (Water assist) \$86.06; Gene Frohling (Water super) \$428.60; Tamara Hollman (mowing/gas) \$584.64; Terri Curtis (Janitor) \$84.04.

Public Input – Addy Hollman presented the City with a framed Certificate of Appreciation for the creation and maintenance of a Monarch Waystation, issued by Monarch Watch. She gave a presentation describing the life stages of the Monarch butterfly along with live examples. She has released 104 Monarch butterflies this year and has many more in different stages. She encourages residents to plant a couple of milkweeds in their yards for the butterflies. Bailey informs the council about the project at the Rowan Events Center and that the City will ultimately be responsible for maintaining the building and some of the grants the Rowan Improvement Foundation wishes to apply for will have to go through the City. Would like this to be on next month's agenda, so the council can officially vote on support of the project. Discussion over mowing, including the old coop site. Hollman scrapped some old electrical lines from the ball diamond and gave the clerk the check, motion by Groom to put it in the Mainstreet Improvement Fund, 2nd by Hollman. Approved. Joe West received a quote to have lines painted on the driveway at the Fire Dept, Groom asked him to also get a quote for painting the handicap spaces on Main Street. He presented prizes he has acquired to have a raffle for the FD, will need to renew our Charitable Gambling Permit, Motion by Hollman to purchase a 2-year permit from the Rowan Raffle Account, 2nd by Park. Approved. West is also planning on having some T-shirts made to sell.

Maintenance – Park sprayed weeds in parking lots, met with Steenblock about library A/C. Has materials to paint another picnic table and plans to also stain the Historical society ramp, Joe West volunteers to do some weed eating at the Historical society.

Ordinance Amendment 21-01 Fences. Motion by Groom to approve, 2nd by Bruns. Approved. Public Hearing will be on September 8, 2021 at 7:00 PM.

Street Finance Report – Clerk present to council. Some discussion over future street repairs.

710 Duffy – No new bids, will leave open for now.

Backwash Water – Bruns has purchased materials to set up new plumbing.

Sewer – Council will not approve Fall maintenance contract until previous demands are met. Asked clerk to contact DNR about requirements for filter cleaning and pumping and what Contractor's responsibilities are. Clerk should follow up with Mort's regarding distribution box at 933 Broadway Street. Regarding the tank at the 931 Broadway Street house that was recently torn down, motion by Groom to authorize owner to have the tank filled in and to bring the lids back to the City, 2nd by Bruns. Approved.

Building permits – None

Adjourned. Next regular meeting of the council will be Wednesday, September 8, 2021 at 7 PM (note date change due to Labor Day Holiday).

Respectfully submitted, Aimee Miller - City Clerk of Rowan