Rowan City Council Meeting July 5, 2021

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

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

Minutes of the June 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. July Expenditures – AgSource Labs (water testing) \$251.00; Alliant Energy (electric) \$1,031.79; Belmond Laundry (rugs) \$8.00; Mark Bruns (empty backwash) \$200.00; Dale Hollman (empty backwash) \$100.00; Debt Service Reserve (transfer) \$236.00; Frontier (phone) \$101.19; ICAP (Insurance) \$6,644.00; Iowa DNR (Water Supply Fee) \$25.00; Iowa League of Cities (Dues) \$347.00; IPERS (pensions) \$230.45; Printing Services Inc (710 Duffy Ad) \$70.48; Sewer (transfer) \$5,595.44; Treasurer- State of Iowa (WET) \$295.00 (Withholding) \$51.00 (Sales) \$84.00; Tri-County Services (Audited WC premium) \$152.00; USA Bluebook (testing supply/equip) \$1,654.84; US Treasury (payroll taxes) \$1,301.02; Wright County Landfill (Q1FY22) \$987.50; Aimee Miller (City Clerk) \$776.81; Alex Frohling (Water assist) \$86.06; Gene Frohling (Water super) \$428.60; Tamara Hollman (mowing/gas) \$440.18; Terri Curtis (Janitor) \$81.04; Mark Bruns (Truck/Trailer hauling) \$100.00; Dale Hollman (skidloader) \$100.00.

Public Input – Joe West, new to town, has joined the Fire Dept, is working on grants for 10 digital pagers and amplified charger bases. Groom suggests applying to Wright Co Charitable Found as a lot of other fire departments have been applying for the same thing. Cost will be approximately \$4,000 for 10. Has approached other charities regarding valve replacement and pump repair on the pumper truck. The City truck came from Albert Lea, he would like to shine it up and send a picture to the Albert Lea Fire Chief and see if they would like it for a museum in trade for a newer one. Council likes the idea, worth a try! Also discussed the slide at the Rowan Events Center – resident would like to purchase, will have to think on it. Discussion over fences to include one promised at MT Shearing, would like to amend the fence ordinance for privacy fences to be allowed under 4 feet, Groom states she has swing hangers that B Ketchum left with her when he moved, she will give to Hollman to install.

Maintenance – Park absent, clerk will search for replacement piece for playground equipment. Events Center Driveway – New sink hole opened up. Groom shows drawings of plans the RIF has for an addition on that side, which would include excavating the parking lot, was decided to just fill the hole with mesh and gravel for now.

Tree Trimming – lots of trees/branches hanging over streets, alleys, and sidewalks. Mark and Dale plan to go around and do the trimming in the next couple of months. Will put a note in water bills.

710 Duffy Property – One bid received from Hofmeister for \$100.00. Motion by Bruns to refuse bid until other projects in town have been completed, 2nd by Groom. Approved unanimously.

Trees – On hold due to availability.

 $Backwash\ Water-Permit\ has\ been\ approved,\ discussion\ regarding\ how\ to\ set\ up\ for\ discharge\ and\ requirements.$

Sewer – 903 Broadway pumping, motion by Hollman to have it pumped at the regular contracted rate, it should have been caught during previous inspections and added to pumping schedule. Fall inspection contract, Motion by Hollman to provide what we have repeatedly asked for, or we will find someone else, 2nd by Bruns. Contract tabled. Motion carries.

Building permits – None

Motion by Groom to adjourn, 2nd by Hurtado.

Next regular meeting of the council will be August 2, 2021 at 7 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Aimee Miller - City Clerk of Rowan