

Rowan City Council Meeting July 1, 2024

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

Council present- Dale Hollman, Marcos Hurtado, Heather Baumgartner, Virgil Park and Mark Bruns.

Minutes of June meeting were approved with a motion by Hollman, 2nd by Hurtado. Approved unanimously.

Financials/Vouchers – Motion by Bruns to approve, 2nd by Park. Approved unanimously.

July Expenditures – AgSource Labs (water testing) \$53.50; Alliant Energy (electric) \$1,071.71; Belmond Laundry (rugs) \$40.00; Central Waste Solutions (tank pumping) \$3,850.00; Hawkins, Inc. (additives) \$287.13; ICAP (insurance) \$13,493.00; Iowa League of Cities (dues) \$386.00; IPERS (pensions) \$444.47; Mort's Water (curb stop) \$690.27; Municipal Supply (radio meters) \$11,040.00; PSI (signs for park) \$140.69; Rowan Library (1/3 LOST) \$818.75; Sewer (transfer) \$10,082.90; T&S Sanitation (dumpster) \$20.00; Treas-State Iowa (withholding) \$35.00; True Value (shovel) \$23.99; USA Bluebook (supplies) \$663.33; USDA (loan) \$3,000.00; US Treasury (payroll taxes) \$1,607.92; VISA (postage/Conf) \$524.92; Wright Co Conservation (loan) \$2,050.00; Wright Co Engineer (dust control) \$1,183.26; Wright Co Landfill (Q1FY25) \$987.50; Aimee Frohling (City Clerk) \$869.68; Alex Frohling (Water assist) \$129.08; Dale Hollman (council) \$92.35; Gene Frohling (Water super) \$689.19; Heather Baumgartner (council) \$92.26; Lennea Groom (Mayor) \$92.26; Marcos Hurtado (council) \$69.26; Mark Bruns (council/Fire chief) \$346.31; Tamara Hollman (mowing) \$426.50; Terri Curtis (Janitor) \$107.31; Virgil Park (council) \$46.17.

June Receipts – Property Taxes \$1,853.56; LOST \$2,456.25; Rents \$1005.40; Road Use Tax \$1,641.58; Utilities \$13,086.43; Fundraising \$449.05.

Public Input – none.

Maintenance – Did some spraying.

Generator – Discussed grant funds used and not used. Groom received information from Emergency Management to start working on an Emergency Management plan for the City. Discussed whether the generator should be tested under a load occasionally. Reviewed contract between UCC and City, motion by Hollman to approve with changes, 2nd by Bruns. Approved.

Waterworks Positions – Mitch Hansen from S&H Environmental visited with Bruns and Hollman earlier this month and would be interested in providing Superintendent services to us. They would like a list of expectations from the Council as well as desired frequency for them to come to town. There would need to be someone to do the daily stuff. Hollman is willing to do the daily testing, however would like to see others take some responsibility on as well. Suggests that the hydrant flushing could be done by Bruns and the Fire Dept. Other duties discussed, still undecided who might take them on. For the purposes of getting a quote from S&H, was decided that monthly and special testing be transferred to Clear Lake Sanitary and have S&H do that and for them to oversee DNR reporting and Sanitary Surveys. Motion by Hollman to have them provide us with 2 quotes, one for them doing the above-mentioned items and coming every 2 weeks and one coming once per month. 2nd by Park. Approved.

Storm Drains – still having drainage issues in multiple areas of town, need to get Central Waste Solutions or Soil and Septic in here as soon as possible to get cameras in the tiles to investigate issues. Owner of the apartments will receive a letter about removing the trees that were growing into the tile line. Discussed an additional intake and man hole behind the Community Center and the South side of the alley. Motion by Hollman to get estimates from Central Waste Solutions, Soil and Septic, and Mountain Movers, 2nd by Bruns. Approved.

Trunk or Treat – Groom would like to get the date set, there are several groups planning activities and would like to coordinate. Will be October 31st from 5-7. If households would prefer to do trick-or-treat, they are welcome to do so during the same time and would just need to have a porch light on to indicate they are participating.

Nuisance Abatement – Several letters will be going out for mowing, tree trimming, etc.

Playground Equipment – Will sort the equipment out behind the Fire Station building, will need a bunch of volunteers to help, was hoping this week, but might not be enough time to get people together, will set a date and let us know so they can be recruited. Will need to get pads from Menards.

Building permits – 614 Patton, add service door on S side of building, 1020 Bingham, addition to kitchen. Motion by Bruns to approve both, 2nd by Baumgartner. Approved.

Bruns moves to adjourn. Adjourned.

Next regular meeting of the council will be August 5, 2024 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Aimee J Frohling - City Clerk