

**Minutes of the Walker City Council  
Monday, April 11, 2022  
Walker City Council Chambers**

Mayor Bamrick called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Council Present: Paul Nielsen, John Pint, Jessica Hammerand, Rob Dunn, and Dianna Thorp.

Others Present: Mona Blair, Kathryn Joyce, Kevin Shoop, Austin Prose, Scot McEnany, Rozena McVey, Cecil Oldridge and son, and Linn County Deputy Streets.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Bamrick.

Motion/Second by Nielsen/Pint to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the following: 4-11-22 agenda, 3-14-22 minutes, accounts payable, Mach payroll reports, and first quarter 2022 payroll reports. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Linn County Sheriff's Report: We contract for 14 hours per week. They have exceeded the required hours for the last month.

Mayor: One building permit was issued. There will be an Easter Egg Hunt at the city park on Saturday, April 16, 2022, at 10 am.

Clerk: Written report is available at City Hall. The March gross payroll was \$11,598.33. The first quarter 2022 gross payroll was \$34,858.92. The balance on March 31, 2022, was \$1,352,642.43.

Public Works Technician: Written report is available at City Hall.

Fire Dept: None

Council/Committee Reports: None

Open Forum: Cecil Oldridge expressed his hope to the city council that they will approve the flag repository memorial for his wife.

**New Business:**

Planning and zoning chairperson Scot McEnany stated they met on Wednesday, April 6, 2022, for the purpose of discussing the memorial for Evelyn Oldridge, to move the Center Point Library dropbox from 408 Rowley St. to 204 Greene St. and to begin their review and update of Walker's zoning ordinance. For the Evelyn Oldridge memorial (a used flag repository) their recommendation is to place it by the American Legion building at the south side of the ramp. Motion/Second by Pint/Nielsen to accept planning and zoning's recommendation for the Evelyn Oldridge memorial placement. Their recommendation for the Center Point Library Book dropbox in to be moved to the northeast corner of city hall flush with the building so as not to impede the sidewalk. Motion/Second by Dunn/Thorp to accept planning and zoning's recommendation for the placement of the library dropbox. They began their review of the zoning ordinance and will be meeting the first Wednesday of every month to continue to work on it.

The Hustler mower was sold on Public Surplus for \$3,500.00. Motion/Second by Dunn/Thorp to accept the bid from Ellis Implement in the amount of \$11,418.09 for the new mower.

Public works technician went over the 2021 bridge deficiency report with council and discussed several items we will need to address this summer.

Public hearing for FY22 Budget amendment was set for May 9, 2022, at 7:05 pm.

Public hearing for Ordinance No. 364 – an ordinance amending the code of ordinances of the City of Walker, Iowa by adding Chapter 93 – Public Water Supply Source Water Protection Regulations, was set for May 9, 2022, at 7:05 pm.

Public hearing for Ordinance No. 365 – an ordinance amending the code of ordinances of the City of Walker, Iowa by amending provisions pertaining to Chapter 90 – Water Service System, was set for May 9, 2022, at 7:05 pm.

Public hearing for Ordinance No. 366 – an ordinance amending the code of ordinances of the City of Walker, Iowa by amending provisions pertaining to Chapter 95 – Sanitary Sewer System, was set for May 9, 2022, at 7:05 pm.

Motion/Second by Dunn/Nielsen to approve Resolution 2022-8- a resolution approving the HR Green work order for a web application to track lead and copper pipes within dwellings in city limits. Roll call vote: ayes: Nielsen, Hammerand, Thorp, Pint, Dunn. Motion carried.

Motion/Second by Dunn/Pint to approve Resolution 2022-9 - a resolution approving the final plat of survey for the Dobson Parcel First Addition to Linn County, Iowa. Roll call vote: ayes: Pint, Thorp, Nielsen, Dunn, Hammerand. Motion carried.

The city clerk explained the Hometown Pride program through Keep Iowa Beautiful. ECICOG is working on a funding model to help smaller communities in the area for this program. Connie will keep the council updated as she hears more.

Nuisances and junk vehicles discussed. Clerk was given a list of addresses to work on and contact Linn County Public Health to do inspection and enforcement.

Motion/Second by Nielsen/Hammerand to move into closed session. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Motion/Second by Dunn/Thorp to end the closed session. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Motion/Second by Dunn/Thorp to adjourn at 8:35 pm.

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 9, 2022, at 7 pm at the Walker City Council Chambers.

Bills Approved:

Bank of America, software fees,  
Supplies, Conference.....\$834.59  
Casey's Business MasterCard,  
gasoline.....\$307.22  
IMFOA, Conference registration.....\$125.00  
Marion Iron Co., iron.....\$196.70  
NE Iowa Regional League, dues.....\$10.00  
Simmering-Cory, codification.....\$664.00  
US Cellular, cell phones.....\$302.73  
Zippy's Salt Barn, salt.....\$1,159.72  
Alliant Energy, utilities.....\$5,493.40  
MARC, weed killer.....\$477.96  
Utility Equipment Co., double handle  
Ratchet.....\$290.73  
Badger Meter, Beacon Mobile Hosting  
Service, Mobile License  
agreement.....\$1,220.16  
IRS, March 2022 Federal Withholding  
Tax.....\$2,794.54  
IPERS, March 2022 contributions.....\$1,639.42  
Treasurer, State of Iowa, 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr. 2022 State  
Withholding tax.....\$1,404.00  
Computer Trouble Shooters, IT/Website  
Agreements.....\$445.00  
Treasurer, State of Iowa, 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr. 2022 Sales  
Tax.....\$288.07  
Treasurer, State of Iowa, March 2022 water  
Excise tax.....\$728.60  
Bound Tree Medical, LLC, medical supplies  
For fire dept.....\$691.51  
Builder's FirstSource, supplies.....\$299.11  
Dearborn Life Ins. Co., employee life Apr. – June  
2022.....\$35.49  
Eurofins, wastewater treatment plant  
Testing.....\$831.60  
Gazette Communications, publications.....\$247.47  
Gordon Flesch Co., Laserfiche annual fee  
& support.....\$420.00

Heins Tire & Auto, Inc., service/repair  
mower.....\$111.50  
HR Green, engineering.....\$256.13  
Menards, oak boards.....\$84.98  
Office Depot, office supplies.....\$42.65  
Schimberg Co., water valve extension  
Stems.....\$224.00  
US Cellular, utilities.....\$302.73  
Windstream, telephone/internet.....\$670.36  
City of Walker, apply deposit to final bill.....\$232.56  
Lorna Niedert, refund remaining deposit.....\$67.44  
Water Environment Federation, membership.....\$95.00  
Rudd Sanitation, garbage contract.....\$3,813.50  
TOTAL: \$26,807.87

Revenues for March 2022: General Fund \$5,915.50; Fire Equipment Fund \$1.30; Road Use Fund \$4,296.76; RE Taxes – Employee Benefits Fund \$235.22; RE Taxes – Emergency Levy Fund \$130.60; American Rescue Plan Funds \$2.13; Local Option Sales Tax Fund \$16,335.99; Debt Service Fund \$1,357.55; Water Projects – Restricted Fund \$8.31; Sewer Projects – Restricted Fund \$.12; Streets Project – Restricted Fund \$3.01; Water Fund \$13,319.23; W/S Deposits Fund \$600.50; Water Sinking Fund \$4,847.79; Sewer Fund \$23,024.39; Sewer Sinking Fund \$9,965.16; Garbage Fund \$3,869.27. TOTAL \$83,912.83.

Expenditures for March 2022: General Fund \$51,183.59; Road Use Fund \$3,644.87; Water Fund \$18,958.02; Sewer Fund \$29,307.93; Garbage Fund \$3,813.50. TOTAL \$106,907.91.

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie Helms, Finance Director, City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by:

Cole Bamrick, Mayor