

**Minutes of the Walker City Council
Monday, December 13, 2021
Walker City Council Chambers**

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

Others Present: Will Sherbon, Cody Voss, Rozena McVey, Margaret Moore, Tina Ricklefs, Randy Ricklefs, Alexander Cummer, Terry Shaffer, and Linn County Deputy Pease.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Bamrick.

Motion/Second by Nielsen/Thorp to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the following: 12-13-2021 agenda, 11-8-2021 minutes, accounts payable, November payroll reports and the renewal of the liquor license for Flowers by Shayna. 4 ayes, 1 absent, 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: 1 permit was issued since the last meeting: a mailbox.

Clerk: Written report is available at City Hall. The November gross payroll was \$11,680.19. The balance on November 30, 2021, was \$1,358,734.33.

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

Fire Dept: There were six calls for service. The memorial building is coming along nicely and are looking to have it completed by July 2022. The Firefighter I class has started and is going well. The annual soup supper was held on Saturday, November 20, 2021, at the fire station.

Council/Committee Reports: Council member Nielsen reported that he has reviewed all the financial reports.

Open Forum: Tina Ricklefs wanted council to know she really enjoys the Christmas lights the town puts up.

New Business:

Alex Cummer gave an update on his progress with his used car lot. He now has a dealer's license. He would like to use the lot on the corner of Greene St. and Rowley St. to park customer cars waiting to be picked up. Connie will contact the board of adjustments and see how they wish to proceed.

Motion/Second by Hammerand/Nielsen to appoint the Cedar Rapids Gazette as the official newspaper for the City of Walker. 4 ayes, 1 absent, motion carried.

2022 Appointments: Mayor Pro Tem – John Pint, Sewer committee chair – Jessica Hammerand, Water committee chair – John Pint, Parks committee chair – Rob Dunn, Streets committee chair – Diana Thorp, and Finance committee chair – Paul Nielsen.

The city clerk gave an update on Nixel 360/everbridge. Earlier today, Coggon, Walker, Urbana, and Central City took part in a demonstration. They will be sending the contract to us to sign and then we can start the set-up process.

Motion/Second by Pint/Thorp to approve Resolution 2021-23 – A Resolution to approve the Linn County Sheriff's Contract for FY23. Roll Call Vote: ayes: Pint, Thorp, Hammerand, Nielsen. Nay: absent – Dunn. Motion carried.

Motion/Second by Nielsen/Thorp to approve Resolution 2021-24 – A Resolution to approve the Center Point Library Contract for FY23. Roll Call Vote: ayes: Nielsen, Pint, Hammerand, Thorp. Nay: absent – Dunn. Motion carried.

Motion/Second by Pint/Thorp to approve Resolution 2021-25 – A Resolution approving the 2022 Iowa Women’s League Softball Contract. Roll Call Vote: ayes: Hammerand, Thorp, Nielsen, Pint. Nay: absent – Dunn. Motion carried.

Motion/Second by Thorp/Nielsen to approve Resolution 2021-26 – A Resolution to update the Security Policy & Incident Response Plan. Roll Call Vote: ayes: Nielsen, Hammerand, Thorp, Pint. Nay: absent – Dunn. Motion carried.

Motion/Second by Thorp/Nielsen to approve Resolution 2021-27 – A Resolution to approve the contract with HR Green for the Water Meter and ERT Replacement Project for \$9,600.00. Roll Call Vote: ayes: Thorp, Nielsen, Pint, Hammerand. Nay: absent – Dunn. Public Motion carried.

Public hearing for ordinance 363 set for Monday, January 10, 2022, at 7:05 pm. Ordinance 363 updates Chapter 47 – Community Room and Park Regulations about weekly rentals of the north pavilion as discussed last meeting.

Motion/Second by Nielsen/Pint to bid up to \$2,100.00 on the skid loader snowblower at Diamond V/Cargill. Ayes: Pint, Nielsen, Thorp. Nays: Hammerand, absent – Dunn. Motion carried. The blower has only been used 2 or 3 times and to buy new costs \$8,800.00.

Motion/Second by Thorp/Hammerand to adjourn at 7:40 pm. 4ayes, 1 absent, motion carried.

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 10, 2022, at 7 pm at the Walker City Council Chambers.

Bills Approved:

IRS, Oct. 2021 federal payroll withholding tax.....\$2,855.35
IPERS, Oct. 2021 contributions.....\$1,782.28
Casey’s Mastercard, gas.....\$334.42
Center Point Farm & Auto, supplies.....\$96.00
Hygienic Lab, water testing.....\$13.50
US Cellular, cell phones, tablet.....\$282.70
Windstream, telephone, internet.....\$663.07
Alliant Energy, utilities.....\$4,862.26
Bank of America, supplies, training.....\$1,058.31
Hawkins, Inc., chlorine.....\$94.59
IA Rural Water Assn., 2022 dues.....\$225.00
Linn Co-op Oil Co., diesel.....\$94.05
Wendling Quarries, sand.....\$307.45
Lease Consultants Corp., copier lease.....\$98.10
Woodward Community Media, publications.....\$797.85
Depository Trust Co., 2014 GO Bond Pmt.....\$1,435.00
Treasurer, State of Iowa. Oct. water excise tax pmt.....\$778.00
Computer Troubleshooters, IT/website agreement.....\$445.00
Iowa Finance Authority, water tower SRF loan pmt.....\$7,920.00
Iowa Finance Authority, wwtp SRF loan pmt.....\$17,777.50
Ahlers & Cooney, PC., bond attorney fees.....\$196.00
Badger Meter, BEACON mobile hosting service.....\$20.16
Boyse Enterprises, roller rental.....\$481.50
Center Point Farm & Auto, supplies.....\$27.00
Eurofins dba TestAmerica.....wwtp testing.....\$1,102.50
Fire Service Training Bureau, training.....\$50.00

Lease Consultants Corp., copier lease, finance chg.....\$133.10
Office Depot, supplies.....\$115.21
Roto Rooter, televise line.....\$730.00
Windstream, telephone/internet.....\$662.95
Simmons, Perrine, Moyer, Bergman, legal svcs.....\$540.00
Woodward Community Media, publications.....\$158.83
WSA Promotions, safety jackets.....\$501.00
US Cellular, cell phones, tablet.....\$282.70
Rudd Sanitation, municipal garbage contract.....\$3,886.00
Grant Township Cemetery, annual contract.....\$400.00
Storey Kenworthy, accounts payable checks.....\$277.67
Hesta Stoffel, refund deposit.....\$150.00
Susan Bistline, refund deposit.....\$75.00
Taylor Ternus, refund deposit.....\$150.00
IRS, Nov. 2021 federal payroll withholding tax.....\$2,779.29
IPERS, Nov. 2021 contributions.....\$1,714.43
Treasurer, State of Iowa, Nov. 2021 water excise tax pmt.....\$733.00
Hawkeye Electric, CR, wi-fi/generator.....\$50.00
Hygienic Lab, water testing.....\$13.50
TOTAL: \$57,150.27

Revenues for November 2021: General Fund \$33,487.15; RAGBRAI \$990.27; Fire Equipment Fund \$1.60; Road Use Fund \$6,038.68; RE Taxes – Employee Benefits Fund \$752.13; RE Taxes – Emergency Levy Fund \$417.59; American Rescue Plan Funds \$209.72; Local Option Sales Tax Fund \$41,272.71; Debt Service Fund \$4,331.57; Water Projects – Restricted Fund \$5.62; Sewer Projects – Restricted Fund \$.15; Streets Project – Restricted Fund \$3.46; Water Fund \$13,879.51; W/S Deposits Fund \$900.52; Water Sinking Fund \$4,847.53; Sewer Fund \$23,452.37; Sewer Sinking Fund \$9,964.69; Garbage Fund \$3,958.35. TOTAL \$144,513.62.

Expenditures for November 2021: General Fund \$19,578.39; Road Use Fund \$4,400.20; Local Option Sales Tax Fund \$15,000.00; Water Fund \$8,824.17; Sewer Fund \$21,334.66; Garbage Fund \$3,871.50. TOTAL \$73,008.92.

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie Helms, City Clerk

Approved by:

Cole Barrick, Mayor