

**Minutes of the Walker City Council
Monday, January 8, 2024
Walker City Council Chambers**

Mayor Bamrick called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Council Present: Paul Nielsen, Kyle Glenn, Jonathan Wolff, Abigail Wells, and Rob Dunn.

Others Present: Will Sherbon, Cody Voss, and Bill Avis.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Bamrick.

Motion/Second by Nielsen/Glenn to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the following: 1-8-24 agenda, 12-11-23 minutes, accounts payable, December payroll reports, 4th Quarter 2023 payroll reports, and 2023 Annual payroll reports.

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 – storage shed.

Clerk: Written report is available at City Hall. December gross payroll: \$15,578.51. 4th Quarter 2023 gross payroll: \$52,579.96. The ending balance on December 31, 2023, was \$1,060,807.41.

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

Fire Dept: There were 9 calls for service in the past month. In 2023 there were a total of 102 calls for service, 34 medical and 68 fire/other services.

Council/ Committee Reports: Councilmember Nielsen stated he has reviewed and signed off on all of the financial reports.

Open Forum: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

City shop electrical bids were received as follows: Carson Electrical \$66,000.00, Reece Electric \$58,000.00.

Motion/Second by Dunn/Glenn to approve Resolution No. 2024-1 – Resolution Awarding the Electrical Bid for the City Shop Project to Reece Electric in the amount of \$58,000.00. Ayes: Nielsen, Glenn, Wolff, Dunn, Wells. Motion carried.

Discussion regarding updating the comprehensive plan was held during the budget presentation. Due to budget constraints, we will hold off on the comprehensive plan and hope to be able to update the plan in FY26.

We will have a meeting on January 22, 2024, and it is set for 7 pm.

Motion/Second by Dunn/Glenn to adjourn at 7:55 pm. 5 ayes, motion carried.

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 22, 2024, at 7:00 pm at the Walker City Council Chambers.

FY2024 Bills Approved:

Bank of America, monthly subscriptions,
tablet.....\$949.32

Handley Dirt Work Plus, repair culvert at
Greene St/Rowley St.....\$1,338.96

HR Green, engineering.....\$259.50

Hygienic Labs, water testing.....\$36.00

Lease Consultants Corp., copier
lease.....\$98.10

Linn Co-op Oil Co., diesel, final lease
 payment on fuel tank.....\$1,397.82
 Linn Co. Public Health, 28E.....\$442.13
 Menards, supplies.....\$195.86
 US Cellular, utilities.....\$308.35
 USA Blue Book, supplies.....\$109.14
 Alliant Energy, utilities.....\$6,205.29
 Dave's Service, lift truck
 rental.....\$1,200.00
 Hawkins, Inc., chlorine.....\$151.91
 HR Green, engineering.....\$2,463.61
 HR Green, engineering.....\$3,746.75
 UMB Bank, NA, 2011 & 2015 GO Bond
 administration fees.....\$500.00
 Wendling Quarries, rock.....\$590.86
 Casey's Mastercard, gasoline.....\$217.45
 Dearborn Life Ins. Co., employee life
 premiums Jan.-Mar. 2024.....\$35.49
 IMES, membership dues.....\$50.00
 Petty Cash.....\$48.60
 Martin Equipment, maintenance
 supplies.....\$470.20
 Zippy's Salt Barn, road salt.....\$1,164.40
 Rudd Sanitation, Dec. garbage contract
 payment.....\$3,990.00
 Gazette Communications,
 publications.....\$130.33
 Badger Meter, fees.....\$130.48
 Julie Andersen, cleaning.....\$112.50
 Eurofins, wastewater testing.....\$1,230.50
 East Buchanan Telephone Co., telephone and
 internet.....\$386.48
 USA Blue Book, supplies.....\$248.31
 Office Depot, office supplies.....\$124.76
 TOTAL: \$28,333.10

Revenues for December 2023: General Fund \$6,581.99; Fire Equipment Fund \$1.29; Road Use Fund \$8,286.50; RE
 Taxes – Employee Benefits Fund \$332.77; RE Taxes – Emergency Levy Fund \$169.31; Local Option Sales Tax
 Fund \$10,110.70; Debt Service Fund \$2,024.47; Water Projects – Restricted Fund \$7.29; Sewer Projects –
 Restricted Fund \$0.38; Streets Project – Restricted Fund \$5.99; Greene St. Water Main/Downtown Project Fund
 \$100,988.39; CBDG-DR Grant \$0.00; Water Fund \$14,252.81; W/S Deposits Fund \$602.22; Water Sinking Fund
 \$4,325.51; Sewer Fund \$23,623.80; Sewer Sinking Fund \$8,513.92; Garbage Fund \$4,069.46. TOTAL
 \$183,536.80.

Expenditures for December 2023: General Fund \$9,199.09; Road Use Fund \$6,027.96; Debt Service \$500.00;
 Greene St. Water Main Fund \$3,923.22; CDBG-DR Grant \$0.00; Water Fund \$13,361.18; Water Fund Deposits
 \$10.00; Water Sinking Fund \$3,893.75; Sewer Fund \$19,456.35; Sewer Sinking Fund \$9,230.00; Garbage Fund
 \$3,857.00. TOTAL \$69,448.55.

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie Helms, Finance Director, City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by:

Cole Bamrick, Mayor