

**Minutes of the Walker City Council  
Monday, July 10, 2023  
Walker City Council Chambers**

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

Others Present: Kevin Shoop, KaLynn & Jason Kula, Bill Avis, Dean Pecinovsky, Cindy Winn, Misty Cavalier, Tina Chapman, Cody Voss, and a Linn County Deputy.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Bamrick.

Motion/Second by Nielsen/Glenn to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the following: 7-10-23 agenda, 6-12-23 minutes, accounts payable, June payroll reports, 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2023 payroll reports, and Renewal of Casey's Liquor License. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Public Hearing – Ordinance 369 – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Walker, Iowa by Amending Provisions Pertaining to Sewer Service Charges. Opened at 7:01 pm. The clerk did not receive any written or verbal comments. No citizens present with comments. Closed at 7:02 pm.

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

Mayor: Five permits were issued – fence, deck steps, kitchen addition, pool deck, and excavation.

Clerk: Written report is available at City Hall. June gross payroll: \$22,614.99. Second quarter 2023 gross payroll: \$51,944.87. The ending balance on June 30, 2023, was \$955,524.61. Update given on clean up at 26 Mill St. He continues to make progress. We will follow up in 1 month.

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

Fire Dept: There were 4 calls for service in June. The pump testing has been completed and they are gearing up for their breakfast on Pickle Days.

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

Open Forum: Jason & KaLynn Kula expressed their thanks to the council for allowing them to close Greene Street for the Romper Room Ride on Saturday, June 17, 2023. They also expressed concerns they had during the event. Mayor Bamrick addressed those concerns.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Motion/Second by Dunn/Pint to approve the first reading of Ordinance 369. 5ayes, motion carried.

Motion/Second by Pint/Glenn to suspend the rules and waive the second and third readings of Ordinance 369. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Motion/Second by Dunn/Nielsen to approve Resolution 2023-25 – Resolution Approving the HR Green Agreement for GIS Services under the Master Professional Services Agreement. Ayes: Glenn, Pint, Nielsen, Thorp, Dunn. Motion carried.

Motion/Second by Pint/Glenn to approve the use of the ballpark for a car/bike/truck show on Friday, July 28, 2023, with a rain date of Sunday, July 30, 2023, if needed. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Discussion held regarding the request to reduce sewer charges on Account 00008061000 due to a leak in the premise. Motion/Second by Dunn/Glenn to not reduce the charges as the water went into the sewer system and this is following precedent. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Motion/Second by Nielsen/Dunn to adjourn at 7:52 pm. 5 ayes, motion carried.

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 14, 2023, at 7 pm at the Walker City Council Chambers.

FY2023 Bills Approved:

Bank of America, subscriptions, supplies,  
Recording fees.....\$792.37  
Casey's Mastercard, gasoline.....\$251.09  
Connie Helms, supplies, water.....\$96.96  
Hawkins, Inc., chlorine.....\$188.72  
HR Green, engineering.....\$12,400.00  
Hygienic Labs, water testing.....\$13.50  
Iowa League of Cities, membership dues  
.....\$769.00  
Iowa Pump Works, maintenance service  
Contract.....\$861.00  
Iowa State University, Municipal  
Professionals Academy.....\$225.00  
Lease Consultants Corp, copier lease  
.....\$98.10  
Menards, water softener for fire  
Department.....\$646.59  
Posted Printing, 1/2 cost of 150<sup>th</sup>/Pickle Day  
Sign.....\$125.00  
Schimberg Co., supplies.....\$985.92  
UMB Bank, NA, administrative fees.....\$500.00  
US Cellular, cell phones.....\$303.68  
Windstream, phone/internet.....\$279.27  
Dearborn Life Ins. Co., employee life  
Insurance.....\$35.49  
ESRI, GIS services.....\$1,485.00  
FJ Krob & Co., grass seed.....\$19.50  
Iowa One Call, Utility Locates.....\$44.10  
Mid-American Research Chemical,  
Hydrochloric acid for cleaning of  
SAGR cells.....\$15,585.81  
Simmons, Perrine, Moyer & Bergman,  
Legal services.....\$100.00  
TOTAL: \$35,806.10

FY2024 Bills Approved:

Alliant Energy, utilities.....\$6,097.12  
Badger Meter, BEACON mobile  
Hosting services.....\$249.80  
Builder's FirstSource, quickrete.....\$11.98  
East Buchanan Telephone Cooperative,  
Phone/internet.....\$384.92  
Eurofins dba Test America, wastewater  
Treatment plant testing.....\$1,197.00  
Gazette Communications, publications  
.....\$300.91

HR Green, engineering.....\$218.00  
 HR Green, engineering.....\$41,942.50  
 LL Pelling, Co., commercial cold  
 mix.....\$491.00  
 Maguire, annual maintenance contract  
 Payment.....\$25,100.00  
 Menards, supplies.....\$169.35  
 USPS, stamped envelopes.....\$1,214.05  
 The McCright Agency, additional due  
 From annual work com audit.....\$1,667.00  
 Uline, paper towels, garbage bags  
 .....\$669.52  
 IRS, June federal payroll withholding  
 Tax.....\$5,091.75  
 IPERS, June contributions.....\$3,219.13  
 Treasurer, State of Iowa, 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2023  
 State payroll withholding tax.....\$2,211.00  
 Computer Troubleshooters, IT/Website agreements,  
 Screen share.....\$548.00  
 Treasurer, State of Iowa, June water excise tax  
 Payment.....\$934.27  
 Julie Andersen, cleaning.....\$67.50  
 Rudd Sanitation, July garbage  
 Contract payment.....\$3,915.00  
 TOTAL: \$95,699.80

Revenues for June 2023: General Fund \$64,823.65; Fire Equipment Fund \$.85; Road Use Fund \$10,621.27; RE Taxes – Employee Benefits Fund \$55.81; RE Taxes – Emergency Levy Fund \$30.09; Local Option Sales Tax Fund \$10,432.65; Debt Service Fund \$86,532.41; Water Projects – Restricted Fund \$10,008.34; Sewer Projects – Restricted Fund \$.25; Streets Project – Restricted Fund \$7.50; Greene St. Water Main/Downtown Project Fund \$0.00; Water Fund \$43,133.81; W/S Deposits Fund \$1.44; Water Sinking Fund \$4,034.53; Sewer Fund \$25,749.35; Sewer Sinking Fund \$9,981.47; Garbage Fund \$3,985.63. TOTAL \$269,399.05.

Expenditures for June 2023: General Fund \$16,165.87; Road Use Fund \$9,521.23; RE Taxes – Employee Benefits Fund \$13,000.00; RE Taxes – Emergency Levy Fund \$7,100.00; American Rescue Plan Fund \$1,482.12; Local Option Sales Tax Fund \$107,900.00; Debt Service Fund \$500.00; Water Projects – Restricted Fund \$25,100.00; Greene St. Water Main Fund \$2,900.96; Water Fund \$23,261.59; W/S Deposits Fund \$70.54; Water Sinking Fund \$47,478.75; Sewer Fund \$54,828.75; Sewer Sinking Fund \$97,100.00; Garbage Fund \$3,900.50. TOTAL \$410,310.31.

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie Helms, Finance Director, City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by:

Cole Bamrick, Mayor