

**Minutes of the Walker City Council**  
**Monday, May 9, 2022**  
**Walker City Council Chambers**

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

Others Present: Scot McEnany, Rozena McVey, Cindy & Vernon Schmitz, Will Sherbon and Mike Becker.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Bamrick.

Motion/Second by Nielsen/Thorp to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the following: 5-9-22 agenda, 4-11-22 minutes, accounts payable, and April payroll reports. 3 ayes, 2 absent, motion carried.

Public Hearings – FY22 Budget Amendment; Ordinance 364 – Chapter 93 – Water Supply Protection Regulation; Ordinance 365 – An ordinance amending provisions pertaining to Chapter 90 – Water Service System; Ordinance 366 – An ordinance amending provisions pertaining to Chapter 95 – Sanitary Sewer System: Opened at 7:02 pm. The city clerk did not receive any verbal or written comments on any of the above. No citizens present had any comments on any of the above. Closed at: 7:04 pm.

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

Mayor: Three building permit were issued.

Clerk: Written report is available at City Hall. The April gross payroll was \$11,487.77. The balance on April 30, 2022, was \$1,492,933.81.

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

Fire Dept: They had three medical calls this month and the firefighter 1 class will be finishing this month.

Council/Committee Reports: Councilmember Nielsen reported he has reviewed and signed off on all of the financial reports. Scot McEnany reported on the planning and zoning commission meeting that was held on May 4, 2022.

Open Forum: Mike Becker from East Buchanan Telephone Cooperative gave an update on the broadband maps and grants that may be available in the near future.

**New Business:**

Discussion held on options for the Water Meter/Electronic Radio Transmitter project. Information on the 3 options is available at city hall. Motion/Second by Nielsen/Thorp to proceed with Option 2 – Changing out Badger meters as needed (75 meters included), adding a gateway collector and 380 SE modules for a fixed network at an estimated cost of \$104,448.00 for the capital cost and then \$.25/module/month. 3 ayes, 2 absent, motion carried. Public Hearing set to approve the plans and specifications for this project on Monday, June 13, 2022, at 7:00 pm.

Motion/Second by Nielsen/Hammerand to approve Resolution 2022-10 – Resolution approving the FY22 Budget Amendment. Ayes: Nielsen, Thorp, Hammerand. Nays (absent): Pint, Dunn. Motion carried.

Motion/Second by Nielsen/Thorp to approve the first readings of Ordinances 364, 365, & 366. 3 ayes, 2 absent, motion carried. Second public hearing has been set for Monday, June 13, 2022, at 7:00pm.

Motion/Second by Nielsen/Thorp to approve the proposal for 2022 street maintenance from L. L. Pelling in the amount of \$50,450.40. 3 ayes, 2 absent, motion carried.

Motion/Second by Hammerand/Thorp to approve selling the front ½ of the property at 408 Rowley St. to include the old city hall at a cost of \$7,500.00 subject to all provisions of state law. 3 ayes, 2 absent, motion carried. This will be referred to the planning and zoning commission for review at their next meeting on June 1, 2022.

Update given on properties that were referred to Linn County Public Health for nuisance abatement.

Motion/Second by Hammerand/Thorp to adjourn at 7:47 pm.

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 13, 2022, at 7 pm at the Walker City Council Chambers.

Bills Approved:

Bank of America, subscriptions, training,  
Envelopes.....\$1,364.28  
Casey's MasterCard, gasoline.....\$275.75  
Center Point Farm & Auto, supplies.....\$7.25  
Ellis Implement, 2022 Bad Boy  
Rebel mower.....\$11,417.99  
Hygienic Lab, water testing.....\$13.50  
Iowa Prison Industries, signs.....\$155.76  
Lease Consultants, copier lease.....\$98.10  
Linn Co-op Oil, diesel.....\$1,298.91  
Linn County Sheriff, police  
services.....\$6,916.00  
Alliant Energy, utilities.....\$5,647.43  
Budget Copy Systems, copier maintenance  
Agreement.....\$404.66  
Badger Meter, Beacon Mobile Hosting  
Service.....\$20.16  
Bodensteiner Implement, supplies.....\$62.85  
Connie Helms, mileage.....\$306.28  
Dinges Fire Co., repair fire truck  
#300.....\$1,053.50  
HR Green, engineering.....\$2,360.00  
Wendling Quarries, rock.....\$637.14  
IRS, April 2022 federal payroll with-holding  
tax.....\$2,783.83  
IPERS, April 2022 contributions.....\$1,711.68  
Computer Troubleshooters, IT/website  
Agreements.....\$445.00  
Treasurer, State of Iowa, April 2022 water  
Excise tax payment.....\$744.81  
UMB Bank, NA, 2011 general obligation  
Bond payment.....\$50,332.50  
UMB Bank, NA, 2015 general obligation  
Bond payment.....\$36,615.00  
UMB Bank, NA, 2019 general obligation  
Bond payment.....\$28,485.00  
Badger Meter, Beacon Mobile Hosting  
Service.....\$20.16  
Bound Tree Medical, supplies.....\$176.12  
Dunlap Motor, oil change.....\$47.95  
Eurofins dba Test America, wastewater  
Treatment plant testing.....\$1,165.50  
Gazette Communications, publications.....\$775.50  
GFOA, annual membership.....\$160.00  
Hawkins, Inc., chlorine.....\$226.69  
Iowa League of Cities, 2020 handbook.....\$20.00  
MARC, lift station degreaser.....\$4,334.00  
Morgan Raue, refund deposit for north  
Pavillion rental.....\$100.00  
Office Depot, office supplies.....\$21.97  
Stone City Quarries, lime.....\$33.00  
The McCright Agency, annual work comp  
Audit.....\$2,330.00  
UMB Bank, NA, 2019 general obligation  
Bond administration fee.....\$600.00  
K & M Tree, remove dead tree in  
City right-of-way.....\$800.00  
Holiday Inn Airport Des Moines,  
Conference.....\$336.00

Rudd Sanitation, April garbage  
Contract payment.....\$3,813.50  
TOTAL: \$168,117.77

Revenues for April 2022: General Fund \$103,070.98; Fire Equipment Fund \$1.39; Road Use Fund \$10,290.67; RE Taxes – Employee Benefits Fund \$4,929.52; RE Taxes – Emergency Levy Fund \$2,736.93; American Rescue Plan Funds \$2.27; Local Option Sales Tax Fund \$8,175.93; Debt Service Fund \$28,390.70; Water Projects – Restricted Fund \$7.31; Sewer Projects – Restricted Fund \$.13; Streets Project – Restricted Fund \$3.23; Water Fund \$13,746.66; W/S Deposits Fund \$.56; Water Sinking Fund \$4,848.05; Sewer Fund \$22,324.005; Sewer Sinking Fund \$9,965.69; Garbage Fund \$3,853.62. TOTAL \$212,347.69.

Expenditures for April 2022: General Fund \$21,251.31; Road Use Fund \$6,747.89; Water Fund \$14,822.08; Water/Sewer Deposits \$300.00; Sewer Fund \$20,622.99; Garbage Fund \$3,813.50. TOTAL \$67,557.77.

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie Helms, Finance Director, City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by:

Cole Bamrick, Mayor