

**Minutes of the Walker City Council  
Monday, September 14, 2020  
Walker City Council Chambers**

Mayor Voss called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Council Present: Paul Nielsen, Dianna Thorp, Kene Shoop, John Pint & Rob Dunn.

Others Present: Will Sherbon, Kevin Shoop and Deputy Schmid.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Voss.

Motion/Second by Pint/Shoop to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the following: 9-14-2020 agenda, 8-10-2020 minutes, accounts payable and August payroll reports. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Linn County Sheriff's Report: Our contract is for 61.0 hours per month and they were in Walker for 103.2 hours.

Mayor: No building permits were issued. City hall will be re-opened for customers and we are asking people to please wear a mask. Connie will be attending a virtual training for the Community Rating System for Floodplain Management. By participating in this program, homeowners can get discounted premiums if they are required to carry NFIP flood insurance.

Clerk: Written report is available at City Hall. The August gross payroll was \$10,799.16. The ending balance on August 31, 2020 was \$963,019.09.

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

Fire Dept: There we 10 calls for service - 2 storm watch, 1 service call - help citizen open locked car with dogs inside, 2 mutual aid- one building fire/ one gain access to building helping CP fire and 5 medical. We've added 2 new recruits to get us to 21 members. We've had conversations regarding the storm damage with other fire chiefs in area just in case we were to get hit as southern Linn Country did. We participated in the 911- remembrance and the State came in for grain bin rescue training in August. We are continuing to follow the recommendations for COVID19. We will hold our annual soup supper, however this year is will be drive up and delivery. The meeting room is almost done, just few small details to finish.

Council/Committee Reports: None

Open Forum: None.

Old Business:

Building Permits and Inspections Public Forum has been postponed until further notice.

ATV/UTV Ordinance – discussion held. Several changes were suggested. Connie will have the attorney review and put this on the next agenda for final approval and setting of public hearing.

Land Development Update – The information discussed at last meeting has been presented to the developer. They will let us know if they wish to proceed.

New Business:

Open sealed bids for 2006 Volunteer Cub Cadet UTV; 3 bids were received as follows:

Will Sherbon \$1,000.00, Cindy Winn \$850.00, and Preston Reed \$1,958.00. Motion/Second by Shoop/Nielsen to accept the bid from Preston Reed in the amount of \$1,958.00. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Motion/Second by Pint/Shoop to approve the FY20 Annual Financial Report. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Motion/Second by Dunn/Nielsen to approve Resolution 2020-23 – Resolution Approving the 2021 Iowa Women's Softball League Contract. Ayes: Thorp, Dunn, Shoop, Nielsen, Pint. Motion carried.

Motion/Second by Dunn/Shoop to approve Resolution 2020-24 – Resolution Approving FY21 Fund Transfers. Ayes: Shoop, Dunn, Thorp, Nielsen, Pint. Motion carried.

Motion/Second by Shoop/Dunn to approve the Lawn Care proposal as follows: \$650.00 per treatment of fertilizer and weed control for the baseball field and the City park. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Motion/Second by Shoop/Pint to approve Shayla Slager and Isaiah Enos as new fire department members. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Motion/Second by Pint/Shoop for set Trick or Treat for Saturday, October 31, 2020 from 4-7 pm. 5 ayes, motion carried.

218 Greene Street & 19 Ely Street Remediation/Rehabilitation Projects – Discussion held. Connie will contact both property owners and request their presence at the October 12, 2020 city council meeting to present their projects to the council in detail so a decision can be made on the Community Catalyst Building Remediation Grant for 2021.

FY22 budget worksheets were given to the city council for preparation for the next city budget.

Motion/Second by Dunn/Nielsen to adjourn at 8:00 pm. 5 ayes, motion carried.

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 12, 2020 at 7 pm at the Walker City Council Chambers.

**Bills Approved:**

Bank of America, website, Arlo, Microsoft, dropbox,  
postage paid envelopes.....\$1,151.00  
Casey's Business MasterCard, gasoline.... \$206.91  
Center Point Farm & Auto, switch for mower.....\$45.16  
FJ Krob & Co, grass seed.....\$18.25  
Hawkins, Inc., chlorine.....\$109.20  
Hygienic Lab, water testing.....\$13.00  
Lease Consultants Corp., copier lease.....\$98.10  
Mid-American Research Chemical, 55 gal. drum  
Veg-A-Kill.....\$2,613.97  
Simmons, Perrine, Moyer, Bergman, legal  
services.....\$420.00  
US Cellular, phones, tablet.....\$395.26  
Walker State Bank, final pmt 2018 Chevrolet  
Silverado.....\$11,064.21  
Alliant Energy, utilities.....\$5,029.43  
eurofins dba TestAmerica, WWTP testing.....\$928.20  
Computer Troubleshooters, IT agreement.....\$320.00  
Builder's FirstSource, supplies for lime shed and  
moving scoreboard at ball diamond.....\$226.54  
Feld Fire Co., 1 set of bunker gear.....\$2,204.00  
Linn Co. Treasurer, final pmt North Center Point  
Road project.....\$14,084.24  
Metering & Technology Solutions, ERT.....\$192.04  
Office Depot, office supplies.....\$208.02  
Walker Postmaster, postage for water/sewer

billings.....\$1,400.00  
Zapco Electric, wire.....\$103.00  
Advanced Coating Concepts, Hustler MDV.....\$17,371.00  
Schimberg, Co., water meter ends & gaskets.....\$325.74  
Rudd Sanitation, dumpster.....\$65.00  
Dunlap Motors, oil change.....\$37.95  
Amber Pflughaupt, refund water/sewer deposit.....\$150.00  
Rudd Sanitation, August contract payment.....\$4,035.00  
Casey's Business Mastercard, gasoline.....\$196.41  
US Cellular, phones, tablet.....\$395.26  
Windstream, phones, internet.....\$532.35  
Altorfer, Inc., repair generator at WWTP.....\$559.67  
Center Point Farm & Auto, oil.....\$23.92  
IPERS, August contributions.....\$1,519.19  
IRS, August federal payroll withholding tax.....\$2,522.25  
Treasurer, State of Iowa, water excise tax pmt.....\$864.00  
TOTAL.....\$69,428.27

Revenues for August 2020: General Fund \$537.80; Fire Equipment \$4.38; Road Use Fund \$8,370.05; RE Taxes – Employee Benefits \$11.39; RE Taxes – Emergency Levy \$6.45; Local Option Sales Tax Fund \$9,602.41; Debt Service Fund \$77.91; 2019 GO Bond Fund \$0.81; Water Projects – Restricted \$9.20; Sewer Projects – Restricted \$1.10; Streets Project – Restricted \$12.31; Water Fund \$15,293.03; W/S Deposits \$301.06; Water Sinking Fund \$4,878.05; Sewer Fund \$22,794.43; Sewer Sinking Fund \$10,022.82; Garbage Fund \$3,923.63. TOTAL \$75,846.83.

Expenditures for August 2020: General Fund \$44,950.02; Road Use Fund \$34,712.36; Debt Service \$11,064.21; Water Fund \$9,438.41; Water Fund Deposits \$150.00; Sewer Fund \$17,679.02; Garbage \$4,020.00. TOTAL \$122,014.02.

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie Helms, City Clerk

Approved by:

James Voss, Mayor