

City of Vincent
Council Proceedings
Regular Meeting
July 10th, 2023

Mayor Lyn Adson called the regular council meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Roll call showed Heath Miller, John Fransen, Donovan Adson, Brian Mickelson and Michel Fransen present

Public attendees: Daphne Willwerth, Steve Schmalenberger, Craig Larson, Austin Hayek, Marvin Adson

Motion by John Fransen, second by Brian Mickelson to approve the agenda for July 10th, 2023. Heath Miller, John Fransen, Donovan Adson, Brian Mickelson, Michel Fransen present. All ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Water / Sewer Report:

Craig Larson for the month of June 2023: 822.8 thousand gallons were pumped through the tower, 20 thousand gallons were used to flush the iron filters. Still having issues with the High Service Pumps shutting off. The hydrant meter is connected for use by New Coop for the summer season. Flushed some hydrants. Turned on the water at the city park. Got the vent pipe for the furnace at the water plant taken out and have purchased new pipe to install. 0.3941 million gallons were pushed out to the ponds. The depth devices were installed. Pond levels are looking good. The sheep are back at the ponds. The wet wells are looking ok. Will be gone July 23-25 for CEU classes.

Public Comments:

Spraying city alleyways ; Mayor Adson rec'vd a complaint that a resident was spraying weeds in an alley that is city property. After discussion, it was decided for residents in town to contact the city so spraying can be contracted out to prevent weed growth in alleyways.

Parking in alleyways ; per Marvin's question about parking, in the city code of ordinances a person can park in the alleyway as long as it does not block traffic or abutting property driveway entrances; leaving no less than 10ft for traffic to go by a parked vehicle in the alley.

Wind Turbines:

Austin Hayek presented to council an update on the wind turbine project. He discussed about the setback on townships / towns in Webster County. The maximum distance can be up to 2 miles if your county is not zoned per IA Code. The City of Vincent put in a request to the Webster County Planning and Zoning Dept to amend their current ordinance to 2 miles. The current distance is 1 mile. There are upcoming hearings and meetings for the turbine project. Austin will keep the city in the know when these hearings and meetings are taking place.

Marvin Adson entered the meeting at 6:15 pm.

Going back to public comments as Marvin asked about parking in alleyways.

City Ordinances:

Chickens ; Mayor Adson has rec'vd concerns and verbal complaints from residents in Vincent in regards to residents having chickens / fowl on their property. The city clerk contacted IA Codification and reached out to other towns for a sample ordinance for chickens / birds within city limits. Upon review of the sample ordinance from the city clerk, discussion was held to either establish a new ordinance, amend

the current ordinance or sent notice to current residents pointing out the current city ordinance. After discussion, council decided for the city clerk to send a letter to the residents that have chickens / fowl on their property making them aware of the current ordinance. No changes were made at this time to the current ordinance for chickens.

Trees ; Mayor Adson and the city clerk rec'vd inquiries about planting fruit trees in town. Our current ordinance does not allow fruit trees. After review of the current ordinance and discussion, council decided to amend the ordinance for planting fruit trees. Will hold the public hearing and approve the amended ordinance for planting fruit trees at the August 2023 council meeting.

Mural on City Building:

Councilman Mickelson reached out to the Eagle Grove School art teacher to have a mural painted on one of the city buildings. At this time, the project is put on hold til a later date / time.

City Cameras:

Kyle from Modern Sound Engineering is looking into camera system update options after attending the May meeting and discussing it with council. The estimates were not ready for the July meeting. Will revisit this topic at the August meeting.

Nuisance Abatement:

The city clerk mailed a lawn nuisance letter to the owner of the Vincent Bar.
The city clerk needs to mail a weed nuisance letter to 211 Lawrence St.

105 N 1st St:

Councilman Adson reached out to get pricing on 3/8 minus rock to put around the building. The rock will be delivered when Gary Dencklau gets a chance.

Approve consent agenda:

Minutes of June 12th, 2023

Bill list(s)

Treasurer's Report

Motion by John Fransen, second by Brian Mickelson to approve the consent agenda.

John Fransen, Donovan Adson, Heath Miller, Brian Mickelson, Michel Fransen present. All ayes, 0 Nays; motion carried.

Reports

Streets:

Looking at updating the lights on the snowplow truck. Looking into flag holders for main street. Blacktop Services was contacted to complete streetwork.

Parks:

The parks committee will be installing the flag pole that is behind the water plant building by city hall on the east side. Councilman Fransen picked up the materials from Plastic Recycling out of IA Falls to

repair the picnic tables and this project got completed.

The city clerk contacted Tjaden Electric and they are working on fixing the Veterans' Memorial Lights.

Building Permit Committee:

The city clerk rec'vd permit 011 for review and approval.

Fire Board:

Firemans' Ball will be July 29, 2023. The city clerk contacted TMI services to rent porta potties and there will be no street closure notice during the fireman's ball. Have a fireboard meeting July 12, 2023 at 6 pm.

Community Hall:

There have been rentals.

The city clerk contacted Bianchi Heating & Cooling to fix the heater vent pipe in the kitchen.

The hall committee will not move a full rack of tables out of the hall unless the rack is empty as do not want to damage the tables or rack from the weight and they also recommend not having a coat rack in the hall, dismantling the current coat rack and the committee wants to remind that the hall needs to be cleaned the day after the event not 2 days later.

Mayor:

Met with Mark Crimmins regarding the wind farm project, fielded calls, texts and emails regarding the projected wind farm project, rec'vd notification of the landfill rate change for \$1.50/ton increase and forwarded this information on to the city clerk. Fielded a concern for spraying in an alleyway.

Clerk:

Contacted Blacktop Services for approved roadwork estimate, contacted clerknet and IA Codification for sample ordinances for trees, chickens and wind turbines, contacted Modern Sound Engineering for camera estimates, contacted Tjaden Electric to fix a light ballast in city hall and fix the Veteran's Memorial Lights, contacted Smitty's about spraying weeds, mailed a lawn nuisance letter to the bar owner, posted the utility franchise ordinance with Mid American and sent the ppwk to Mid American, submitted our debt report to the State Treasurer and contacted TMI Services for the porta potty rental for the fireman's ball.

Motion by John Fransen, second by Michel Fransen to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 pm.

John Fransen, Donovan Adson, Heath Miller, Brian Mickelson and Michel Fransen present. All Ayes, 0 Nays; motion carried.

Mayor

City Clerk

Posted: 7/14/2023

General Funds 6-01-2023	483,449.54
Jun receipts	2,346.52
Jun disbursements	20,425.64
General Funds 6-30-2023	465,370.42

Community Hall 6-01-2023	-36,418.87
Jun receipts	607.29
Jun disbursements	141.32
Community Hall 6-30-2023	-35,952.90

Local Option Sales Tax water and sewer 6-01-2023	46,304.95
Jun receipts	2,496.35
Jun disbursements	0.00
Local Option Sales Tax water and sewer 6-30-2023	48,801.30

Local Option Sales Tax parks 6-01-2023	20,493.10
Jun receipts	0.00
Jun disbursements	0.00
Local Option Sales Tax parks 6-30-2023	20,493.10

Road Use Tax Funds 6-01-2023	16,179.54
Jun receipts	1,452.57
Jun disbursements	325.49
Road Use Tax Funds 6-30-2023	17,306.62

Water Utility Fund 6-01-2023	15,313.22
Jun receipts	3,853.35
Jun disbursements	793.26
Water Utility Fund 6-30-2023	18,373.31

Sewer Utility Fund 6-01-2023	20,035.31
Jun receipts	1,802.41
Jun disbursements	746.48
Sewer Utility Fund 6-30-2023	21,091.24

Storm Utility Fund 6-01-2023	11,933.98
Jun receipts	237.00
Jun disbursements	0.00
Storm Utility Fund 6-30-2023	12,170.98

CD's

3570717: Purchase Date 3/17/2023 ; 2.00% interest ; Maturity Date 9/17/2024 – \$68,490.07

Total CD's for June	\$68,490.07
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List of disbursement paid for May:

Check No

“	12748 Kaleb Adson Mowing	300.00
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List of disbursement paid for June:

“	12759 Lyn Adson Payroll (6/1/2023)	184.52
“	12760 Craig Larson Payroll (6/1/2023)	834.36
“	12761 Black Hills Energy	169.02
“	12762 Mid American Energy	357.70
“	12763 Sarah Geisinger Payroll (6/5/2023)	499.09
“	12764 Donovan Adson Mowing	720.00
“	12765 Donovan Adson Payroll (6/13/2023)	36.94
“	12766 Kaleb Adson Mowing	750.00
“	12767 Ag Source	112.25
“	12768 Jaden Armstead Mowing	75.00
“	12769 Bomgaars	43.98
“	12770 Crimmins & Kehm Law Firm	350.00
“	12771 IMWCA	705.00
“	12772 IA League of Cities	75.00
“	12773 Mid American Energy (Streetlighting)	288.73
“	12774 Kris Miller Mowing	265.00
“	12775 Modern Sound Engineering	20.95
“	12776 Nels Pederson Co	4657.98
“	12777 Pederson Sanitation	964.00
“	12778 Storey Kenworthy /Matt Parrott	56.58
“	12779 USPS	403.80
“	12780 Webster Calhoun	260.59
“	12781 Webster County Sheriff	1300.00
“	12782 Sarah Geisinger Payroll (6/19/2023)	600.99
“	12784 Petty Cash	32.52
“	Debit IPERS Withholding	456.59
“	Debit ACH Fee	11.60