

**CITY OF WALCOTT  
WALCOTT CITY HALL  
MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2019**

The semi-monthly meeting of the City Council of Walcott, Iowa, was held on Monday, the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 2019, at Walcott City Hall. Mayor John Kostichek called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council members present were: Lisa Mengler, Jacob Puck, Larry Smith, and Tim Koehler. Absent: John Brockmann. City staff present: Jeff Blake, Paul Stagg, Lisa Rickertsen, and Tom Schirman.

**Approval of Agenda.** Mengler moved and Smith seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

**Introduction of Audience/Public Comments.** Joe Aubry expressed concerns regarding the recent water discoloration. Stagg responded that he had recently found and opened two more valves which had been closed (since sometime prior to his employment) which stirred up the water in the system. Stagg stated they are doing their best to properly flush the system, which will continue through the month of April. Jim Paulsen suggested having two speed limit signs, both directions, on Memorial Road west of Main Street to the City limits. He felt they should be larger signs and should be flagged. Mengler stated the speed limit doesn't change on that stretch and there are no intersecting streets, therefore only one speed limit sign is needed. Paulsen also questioned applying dust control on the graveled portion of Memorial Roads. Stagg will obtain pricing on dust control and to replace the speed limit signs.

**Consent Agenda.** Smith moved and Puck seconded to approve the consent agenda including the invoices, minutes from April 1, 2019, Resolution 2019-21, Transfer of Funds, and March financial reports. Roll call ayes: Smith, Puck, Koehler, and Mengler. Motion carried.

**Scott County Library System.** Scott County Library Board of Trustees Vice-President, Kristal Koberg-Schaefer, presented the most recent annual report from the library system. She provided updates on the branch in Walcott including the building remodel, expanded service hours, increased programs, and bookmobile stops.

**Non-Potable Water Well Agreement with Iowa 80 Group.** Discussion was held with Dave Meier, Iowa 80 Group, on a Non-Potable Water Well Agreement with Iowa 80 Group that was approved in November, 2000. The agreement allowed Iowa 80 Group to drill a well for the sole purpose of filling their decorative pond. Instead, a water line had been run from their private water system to the pond but Meier is now requesting to drill a well as approved in 2000. Attorney Schirman stated a new agreement will need to be drafted, which would only permit the well to be utilized for filling the pond. Koehler moved and Puck seconded to proceed with the necessary steps to allow the request from Iowa 80 Group. Motion carried. An agreement will be drafted for approval at the next regular council meeting.

**Accessory Buildings.** Discussion was held on code changes to the accessory building requirements for separation distance from primary structures. Council consensus was to proceed with not requiring a separation distance for accessory buildings that are 150 square feet or less and to lower the separation distance to five feet for accessory buildings that are between 151-288 square feet. This will go to the Planning & Zoning Commission and then back to council for an ordinance change.

**Splash Pad Amenities.** Puck moved and Mengler seconded to purchase amenities for the splash pad, with donated funds, from Boland Recreation at a cost of \$8,645. Motion carried.

**Ordinance 502-19 Amending Chapter 99 Regarding Sewer Rates.** This Ordinance will increase the sewer rates 3% beginning with the May 1<sup>st</sup> bills. The base rate will increase from \$10.00 to \$10.30/month and the usage rate from \$6.15 to \$6.33 per 1,000 gallons of water. Mengler moved and Koehler seconded to approve the third reading of Ordinance 502-19, Amending Chapter 99 Regarding Sewer Rates. Roll call ayes: Mengler, Koehler, Puck, and Smith. Motion carried.

**Ordinance 503-19 Amending Chapter 155 Pertaining to Above Ground Storage Tanks.** This Ordinance amends Chapter 155 by adding provisions relating to liquid propane (LP) tanks. Koehler moved and Smith seconded to approve the third reading of Ordinance 503-19, Amending Provisions to Above Ground Storage Tanks. Roll call ayes: Koehler, Smith, Mengler, and Puck. Motion carried.


**Ordinance 504-19 Amending Chapter 92 Regarding Water Rates.** This Ordinance will increase the water rates 3% and establish a base fee beginning with the June 1<sup>st</sup> bills. The base rate will be \$3.00/month and the usage rate from \$5.03 to \$5.18 per 1,000 gallons of water. Puck introduced and moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance 504-19, Amending Chapter 92 Regarding Water Rates. Roll call ayes: Puck, Smith, Mengler, and Koehler. Motion carried.

**Police Department Report.** Chief Blake presented a project worksheet for the purchase of two squad cameras, which will be compatible with the body cameras. \$4,500 will be paid from grant funds and the remaining amount from the Forfeiture Fund. Mengler moved and Puck seconded to purchase the two squad cameras at a total cost of \$11,130. Motion carried.

**Public Works Department Report.** Stagg presented costs from Alliant Energy for adding a street light on N. Henry Street near the church parking lot as requested by a representative from Calvary United Methodist Church. Discussion was held on the street light at the SE corner of the intersection of James and Henry Streets and it was also noted that an increase of the Church's security lighting may be beneficial. Council consensus was to request Alliant Energy to upgrade the light at the intersection to a new LED light to provide more illumination.

Smith moved and Puck seconded to adjourn at 6:48 p.m. Motion carried. All votes on motions were unanimous, unless noted.

  
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Mayor John Kostichek

  
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Lisa Rickertsen, City Clerk

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ALLIANT UTILITIES	SERVICES	246.44
BADGER METER CO	METER CELLULAR FEES	108.00
CASEY'S BUSINESS MASTERCAR	FUEL	1,403.62
CITY OF DAVENPORT	ROAD SALT	3,405.59
DICK-N- SONS LUMBER INC.	BLDG MAINT PARTS	17.58
EASTERN IOWA COMM. COLL.	EMR SKILLS TESTINGS	200.00
HAWKINS INC	CHEMICALS	531.65
HYGIENIC LABORATORY	TESTINGS	525.50
HYVEE	FIRE DEPT FOOD	158.46
INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL	ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP	135.00
IOWA 80 GROUP	FUEL	38.00
IOWA INTERACTIVE LLC	RETURN SERVICE FEES	16.17
MENARDS	PARTS - BLDG REPAIRS	55.55
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO.	SERVICES	960.84
MIDLAND GIS SOLUTIONS LLC	GIS MAPPING DATASET	500.00
NAPA AUTO PARTS	PARTS & SUPPLIES	327.70
ORKIN	SERVICES	75.62
OTTO, KATHY	CLEANING SERVICES	120.00
QUILL CORP.	OFFICE SUPPLIES	180.97
REPUBLIC SERVICES	SERVICES	6,552.67
RHINO INDUSTRIES, INC	SEWER CHEMICALS	700.00
RICKERTSEN, LISA	MILEAGE - TRAINING	139.96
RICOH USA, INC	QRTLTY COPIES/MAINT	81.71
RIVER VALLEY CO-OP	DIESEL	481.87
ROBERTSON MANUFACTURING IN	FINAL PYMT - COUNCIL TABLE	2,487.50
SCOTT CO. SHERIFF DEPT.	MARCH BOOKING FEES	100.00
SCOTT COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS A	ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP	50.00
SCOTT COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTE	2ND HALF LIBRARY PYMT	31,225.00
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	SALES & WATER EXCISE TAXES	2,348.00
TRIPLETT OFFICE ESSENTIALS	FINAL PYMT - FIREPROOF SAFE	1,811.50
U.S. CELLULAR	SERVICES	141.19
USA BLUE BOOK	SUPPLIES & PARTS	223.68
VICTORY ENTERPRISES INC.	WEBSITE HOSTING & DOMAIN	185.00
WELLMARK	MONTHLY PREMIUMS	13,145.59
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>		<b>68,680.36</b>
COMDATA CC	PARK SUPPLIES	240.59
WALCOTT TRUST & SAVINGS BANK	MONTHLY PAYROLL ACH FEES	22.00
PAYROLL	04/05/2019	26,163.40
<b>GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>95,106.35</b>
<b>FUND TOTALS</b>		
GENERAL		72,117.77
WATER UTILITY		7,632.83
SEWER UTILITY		8,803.08
SOLID WASTE		6,552.67
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>95,106.35</b>

**MARCH REVENUE**

GENERAL	48,588.59
POLICE VEHICLE RESERVE	28.93
FIRE VEHICLE RESERVE	142.10
FIRE EQUIP/SIREN RESERVE	5.04
FIRE DONATIONS	2,317.48
FIRE BLDG RESERVE	61.78
CITY EQUIP/VEHICLE RESERVE	132.58
SIDEWALK REPAIR RESERVE	7.63
PARK ENHANCEMENT	30.49
FORFEITURE	11.84
MUNICIPAL BLDG FUND	387.77
ROAD USE TAX	14,346.29
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	4,336.26
LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	19,045.22
TIF	27.94
SPLASH PAD PROJECT	1,419.18
WATER UTILITY	22,127.00
WATER TOWER RESERVE	111.71
WATER MAIN REPAIR FUND	10.60
UTILITY DEPOSITS	210.00
SEWER UTILITY	37,492.25
SEWER LIFT STATION RESERVE	16.38
SOLID WASTE	6,464.23
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>157,321.29</b>