

**CITY OF WALCOTT
WALCOTT CITY HALL
MONDAY, MAY 18, 2020**

The semi-monthly meeting of the City Council of Walcott, Iowa, was held on Monday, the 18th day of May, 2020, at Walcott City Hall. Mayor John Kostichek called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council members present were: Lisa Mengler, with Everett Bieri, John Brockmann, Jacob Puck, and Larry Smith participating remotely by phone. City staff present were Jeff Blake, Jackie Huston, and Lisa Rickertsen with Paul Stagg participating remotely by phone. Due to COVID-19, this meeting was held electronically via a conference call, permitted under the Iowa Code, Chapter 21.8, which allows an electronic meeting where members may participate remotely when an in-person meeting is impossible or impractical. Call-in information was provided to the public on the meeting agenda notice.

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

Introduction of Audience/Public Comments. None.

Consent Agenda. Smith moved and Mengler seconded to approve the consent agenda including the invoices, minutes from May 4, 2020, and the April 2020 financial reports. Motion carried.

Summer Youth Program. Rickertsen stated that only one parent called City Hall expressing interest in the program. Huston reported on her conversation with staff from the Scott County Y and their concerns about how to administer the program with the current sanitizing and distancing guidelines. Following discussion, Mengler moved and Smith seconded to not proceed with the program this year, due to COVID-19, and feedback from the Scott County Y. Motion carried.

Ordinance 512-20, Amending Chapter 92 Pertaining to Water Rates. Bieri moved and Puck seconded to approve the second reading of Ordinance 512-20. Roll call ayes: Bieri, Puck, Brockmann, and Mengler. Nays: Smith. Motion carried. Effective with the July 1st billing, each customer shall pay a minimum bill of \$12.00 per month (increase of \$1.75/month), which includes usage up to 1,400 gallons. All usage over 1,400 gallons shall be \$5.31 per 1,000 gallons (increase of \$.13/1,000 gallons). Effective with the October 1st billing, the minimum rate shall increase by \$1.75 per month (total of \$13.75/month) and the usage over 1,400 gallons shall increase \$.13 per 1,000 gallons (total of \$5.44/1,000 gallons). The rate increase is needed to pay for improvements to the water system.

Ordinance 513-20, Amending Chapter 106 Pertaining to Solid Waste Collection Fees. Ordinance 513-20 was introduced. Effective with the July 1st billing, the monthly garbage rate increases from \$13.12 to \$13.64, which is the 4% increase the City pays to the collector. Mengler moved and Puck seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 513-20. Roll call ayes: Mengler, Puck, Brockmann, Bieri, and Smith. Motion carried.

Public Works Department Report. Stagg reported that the seal coating maintenance has been completed and the manhole replacements and installation will be done this week.

- **Fire Bay Door Operators.** Stagg presented a project worksheet to replace three fire bay door operators. Smith moved and Bieri seconded to approve the project as presented, hiring Raynor Door at a cost of \$2,868. Motion carried.
- **Clean-up Day.** Stagg asked for guidance on the scheduled clean-up day of June 6th since the dumpsters need to be scheduled by the end of this week. Mengler reported that the group sponsoring the garage sales would be willing to move the garage sale date to June

27th. Following discussion, Smith moved and Bieri seconded to postpone clean-up day to June 27th. Motion carried.

- **Century Street Sewer Repairs.** Stagg presented a project worksheet to replace a small section (approximately 100') of sewer main on N. Century Street. Brockmann stated there is only one bid and no engineering. Stagg responded that it's a small replacement project and due to the timing with the contractor mobilizing for the manhole project he felt this was the best price. Following further discussion, Mengler moved and Puck seconded to hire Needham Excavating (labor and rock cost at \$6,445) to replace the sewer main on N. Century Street as proposed. Motion carried with Brockmann opposing.

Council Comments. Council discussed park closures, ball diamond maintenance, and staff work schedules (allowed by declaration of public health disaster emergency). The City's public health disaster emergency policy will be on the June 1st meeting agenda.

Mengler moved and Smith seconded to adjourn at 6:36 p.m. Motion carried. All votes on motions were unanimous, unless noted.



Mayor John Kostichek



Lisa Rickertsen, City Clerk

5/18/2020

ALLIANT UTILITIES	SERVICES	4,933.00
BADGER METER CO	SOFTWARE SUPPORT & FEES	888.00
CENTURY LINK	SERVICES	932.07
DELFS LANDSCAPE & IRRIGAT	SIDEWALK PROJ RESTORATION	1,600.00
HAHN READY MIX	CONCRETE	451.38
HAWKINS INC	WATER CHEMICALS	523.96
HYVEE	FOOD	41.94
IMEG CORP	SERVICES	7,304.00
IOWA INTERACTIVE LLC	ONLINE CC PYMT FEES	141.13
LIGHTING MAINTENANCE INC.	LIGHT REPAIRS	633.16
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO.	SERVICES	243.60
MIDWEST K-9 DETECTION	K9 CERTIFICATION	150.00
MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PUMP IN	LIFT STATION SERVICE	234.00
NEEDHAM EXCAVATING INC	SEWER REPAIR	2,151.00
NEW LEAF LANDSCAPES	MONTHLY MAINT	360.00
NORTHWEST MECHANICAL, INC.	SERVICES	805.96
OTTO, KATHY	CLEANING SERVICES	120.00
PLATINUM INFORMATION	IT SUPPORT & NETWORKING	650.00
PLATINUM SMART	BACKUP & DISASTER RECOVERY	200.00
QC ANALYTICAL SERVICES LLC	LAB TESTS	282.50
REPUBLIC SERVICES	SERVICES	6,481.84
RIVER VALLEY CO-OP	DIESEL	206.37
SCOTT CO. SHERIFF DEPT.	BOOKING FEES	25.00
SIEBKE, LORETTA	ANNUAL PARK RENT	500.00
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	LAB TESTS	781.50
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	SALES TA X& WATER EXCISE TAX	2,641.00
TRUGREEN LIMITED PARTNERSH	SERVICES	236.30
USA BLUE BOOK	SUPPLIES & PARTS	479.87
VERIZON WIRELESS	SERVICES & EQUIPMENT	260.03
WELLMARK	PREMIUMS	16,093.01
XYLEM LTD	MULCH	537.50
SUBTOTAL		50,888.12

PAYROLL	5/15/2020	25,910.79
WALCOTT TRUST & SAVINGS BANK	APRIL PAYROLL ACH FEES	23.00
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES		76,821.91

FUND TOTALS

GENERAL	36,900.03
POLICE RESERVE - DONATION	150.00
SIDEWALK PROGRAM	1,600.00
WATER UTILITY	15,378.39
WATER MAIN REPAIR FUND	451.38
SEWER UTILITY	15,860.27
SOLID WASTE	6,481.84
TOTAL	76,821.91

APRIL REVENUE	
GENERAL	316,654.50
POLICE VEHICLE RESERVE	255.13
FIRE VEHICLE RESERVE	112.15
FIRE EQUIP/SIREN RESERVE	3.26
FIRE DONATIONS	310.35
FIRE BLDG RESERVE	59.92
CITY EQUIP/VEHICLE RESERVE	95.79
SIDEWALK REPAIR RESERVE	(67.47) *
PARK ENHANCEMENT	560.64
SPLASH PAD PROJECT	1.32
POLICE RESERVE DONATIONS	3.07
FORFEITURE	4.18
MUNICIPAL BLDG FUND	244.62
ROAD USE TAX	18,971.53
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	76,006.30
LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	17,941.42
TIF	15.65
WATER UTILITY	23,839.80
WATER TOWER RESERVE	76.72
WATER MAIN REPAIR FUND	1.90
UTILITY DEPOSITS	70.00
SEWER UTILITY	40,114.99
SEWER LIFT STATION RESERVE	8.19
SOLID WASTE	6,638.09
TOTAL	501,922.05

* REVERSED REIMB PYMT POSTED IN JAN. CREDITED TO GENERAL FUND