

**CITY OF WALCOTT
WALCOTT CITY HALL
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2022**

The semi-monthly meeting of the City Council of Walcott, Iowa, was held on Monday, the 18th day of April, 2022, at Walcott City Hall. Mayor John Kostichek called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council members present: Everett Bieri, Harry Knutsen, Kirk Koberg, and Jacob Puck. Absent: Lisa Mengler. Staff present: Jeff Blake, Lisa Rickertsen, and Paul Stagg.

Approval of Agenda. Koberg moved and Bieri seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Introduction of Audience/Public Comments. IMEG representatives, Jason Holdorf (City Engineer) and Walter DeDoncker, were in attendance.

Consent Agenda. Puck moved and Knutsen seconded to approve the consent agenda including the invoices, minutes from April 4, 2022, March 2022 financial reports, Tax Increment Financing rebate payments per agreements to Iowa 80 Truckstop, Inc. for main building expansion - ½ of 2nd year rebate = \$14,487.08 and Atlantic Bottling Company for distribution building, - ½ of 1st year rebate = \$43,748.82, and Resolution 2022-14 – Transfer of Funds. Roll call ayes: Puck, Knutsen, Koberg, and Bieri. Motion carried.

Walcott Day Committee Request. Koberg reported the theme for Walcott Day is Fields of Dreams and the Committee is requesting to plant two rows of field corn around a section of the outside fence at Victory Park. The Committee will be responsible for planting, watering, weeding, removal after Walcott Day, and re-seeding or re-sodding the area. Puck moved and Knutsen seconded to approve the request, allowing two rows of field corn to be planted outside the fence at Victory Park, as presented, between the two light poles. Motion carried.

Summer Youth Program Transportation Costs. Discussion was held on the increased transportation costs for the summer youth program. If the number of participants exceeds 70, an additional fee of \$4,500 will be charged to the City for a second bus. Following discussion, Puck moved and Koberg reluctantly seconded to limit the summer youth program participation to 70. Motion carried.

Resolution 2022-15, Designation of the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF). Rickertsen reported on the SLFRF received from the American Rescue Plan Act. Puck moved and Knutsen seconded to approve Resolution 2022-15. Roll call ayes: Puck, Knutsen, Koberg, and Bieri. Motion carried. This designates up to \$138,860 of SLFRF to upgrade the technology equipment at the water and sewer treatment plants.

Legal Services for 2022 Urban Renewal Plan Amendment and General Obligation Project Financing Services. Rickertsen reported that these services are in connection with the E. Lincoln Street Improvements Project. Bieri moved and Puck seconded to approve the legal services, as presented, with Dorsey & Whitney, in the amount of \$16,000. Motion carried.

Resolution 2022-16, Setting Public Hearing on the Urban Renewal Plan Amendment. Rickertsen reported an amendment to the urban renewal plan for the Consolidated Walcott Urban Renewal Area has been prepared to include the E. Lincoln Street Improvements Project. Bieri moved and Koberg seconded to approve Resolution 2022-16. Roll call ayes: Bieri, Knutsen, Koberg, and Puck. Motion carried. The public hearing will be held at Walcott City Hall on May 16th at 6:00 p.m.

Resolution 2022-17, Awarding Contract for the E. Lincoln Street Improvements Project. Koberg moved and Puck seconded to approve Resolution 2022-17, per the City Engineer's recommendation. Roll call ayes: Koberg, Puck, Bieri, and Knutsen. Motion carried. The contract for the E. Lincoln Street Improvements Project is awarded to the low bidder, Needham Excavating, Inc., at \$3,172,652.57.

Resolution 2022-18, Setting Public Hearing Date on Additional Action on Proposal to enter into General Obligation Loan Agreement and to Borrow Money thereunder. This is to borrow money, not to exceed \$1,750,000, for paying costs related to the E. Lincoln Street Improvements Project. Bieri moved and Puck seconded to approve Resolution 2022-18. Roll call ayes: Bieri, Puck, Knutsen, and Koberg. Motion carried. The public hearing will be held at Walcott City Hall on May 16th at 6:00 p.m.

City Engineer Report. Holdorf reported on the landscaping progress at Victory Park. He stated he spoke to the general contractor on the Downey Street Watermain project and they will be replacing the ADA ramp that they installed incorrectly and over-seed and fertilize the area.

Public Works Department Report. Stagg presented project worksheets for street maintenance and upgrading technology equipment at the water and sewer treatment plants. He also presented information on the residential sidewalk repair program and stated he is in the process of flushing hydrants.

- **Chip Seal Maintenance.** Puck moved and Bieri seconded to approve the chip seal maintenance on portions of E. Otis, E. James, and N. Downey Streets. Motion carried. The contractor is LL Pelling Co. and the maintenance amount is \$22,608.
- **Technology/Controls Upgrades at the Water & Sewer Treatment Plants.** Koberg moved and Puck seconded to hire Automatic Systems to upgrade the hardware and software components of the facility controls at a cost not to exceed \$138,860. Motion carried.
- **2022 Residential Sidewalk Repair Program.** Puck moved and Bieri seconded to approve the 2022 Residential Sidewalk Repair Program as presented. Motion carried.

Knutsen moved and Bieri seconded to adjourn at 6:46 p.m. Motion carried. All votes on motions were unanimous, unless noted.



Mayor John Kostichek



Lisa Rickertsen, City Clerk

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BADGER METER CO	CELLULAR BACKHAUL	36.00
BI-STATE REGIONAL COMM.	QRTL MEMBERSHIP DUES	248.00
CASEY'S BUSINESS MASTERCAR	FUEL	1,271.12
CENTURY LINK INC	SERVICES	1,023.84
HAWKINS INC	CHEMICALS	796.46
HORIHAN, TIMOTHY	MEDICAL REIMB	2,495.36
HYVEE	FIRE DEPT FOOD	122.43
IA ASSN. OF MUNICIPAL UTIL	QRTL SAFETY GROUP DUES	609.33
IOWA 80 GROUP	FUEL	244.02
MENARDS	SUPPLIES	425.54
METERING & TECHNOLOGY SOLU	METERS	556.26
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO.	SERVICES	1,649.86
MOORE'S WELDING INC	BENCH BRACKET	150.00
NAPA AUTO PARTS	ST SWEEPER PARTS	173.94
NEW LEAF LANDSCAPES LLC	SPRING LANDSCAPING	1,950.00
NORTH SCOTT PRESS	PUBLICATIONS	543.91
OTTO, KATHY	CLEANING SERVICES	120.00
PLATINUM INFORMATION SERVI	IT & MONITORING SERVICE	1,051.35
PLATINUM SMART	BACKUP SERVICES	200.00
REPUBLIC SERVICES	SERVICES	6,990.83
RICOH USA, INC	QRTL COPY FEES	156.14
SCOTT CO. RECORDER	RECORDING FEE - ORD 523	12.00
SINCLAIR TRACTOR	MOWER PARTS	164.06
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	TESTINGS	3,656.00
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	SALES AND WATER EXCISE TAXES	2,886.43
U.S. CELLULAR	SERVICES	221.08
VERIZON WIRELESS	SERVICES	160.08
VICTORY ENTERPRISES INC.	2ND QTR WEBSITE HOSTING	200.00
VOELKERS PLUMBING INC.	PARK TOILETS & LABOR	4,268.71
WELLMARK	PREMIUMS	17,146.75
WENDLING QUARRIES, INC.	ROCK	392.05
XYLEM LTD	MULCH	1,834.40
SUBTOTAL		51,755.95

PAYROLL	15-Apr-22	27,479.39
CBI BANK & TRUST	MONTHLY ACCOUNT CHARGE	22.00
BDS EQUIPMENT	BRUSH GRAPPLE	3,199.00
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES		82,456.34

FUND TOTALS

GENERAL	50,226.80
FIRE RESERVE - CELEBRATION	50.00
CITY EQUIPMENT RESERVE	3,199.00
WATER UTILITY	9,855.47
SEWER UTILITY	12,134.24
SOLID WASTE	6,990.83
TOTAL	82,456.34

MARCH REVENUE

GENERAL	52,977.73
POLICE VEHICLE RESERVE	17,048.85
FIRE VEHICLE RESERVE	112.72
FIRE DONATIONS	153.23
FIRE BLDG RESERVE	42.09
CITY EQUIP/VEHICLE RESERVE	40.84
SIDEWALK REPAIR RESERVE	9.62
PARK ENHANCEMENT	72.89
MUNICIPAL BLDG FUND	113.93
ROAD USE TAX	9,686.44
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	5,803.50
LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	42,148.63
TIF	1.64
E LINCOLN ST PROJECT FUND	153.44
WATER UTILITY	30,163.45
WATER TOWER RESERVE	42.16
UTILITY DEPOSITS	770.00
SEWER UTILITY	41,902.75
SEWER LIFT STATION	3.34
SOLID WASTE	7,512.60
TOTAL	208,759.85