

**CITY OF WALCOTT
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2023**

A special meeting of the City Council of the City of Walcott, Iowa, was held on Monday, February 13, 2023, at Walcott City Hall. Mayor John Kostichek called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. Council members present were: Everett Bieri, Harry Knutsen, Kirk Koberg, Lisa Mengler, and Jacob Puck. City staff present: Paul Stagg and Lisa Rickertsen. City Engineer, Jason Holdorf, was also present.

Knutsen moved and Mengler seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

City Engineer Report – W. Otis Street Construction Resolution. On behalf of IMEG, Jason Holdorf presented an updated map of sections of W. Otis Street they intend to replace. IMEG is taking responsibility for correcting the street deficiencies. Holdorf stated they will monitor to make sure the corrections are sufficient, similar to a four-year maintenance bond. Mayor Kostichek, Koberg, and Mengler all expressed concerns with only replacing partial concrete sections, especially since it has deteriorated more since last fall and if additional slag is not removed future movement and cracks may occur. Holdorf stated in IMEG's opinion their proposal should work but will have more information once sections are removed. He also stated he doesn't feel it's financially realistic to remove all the slag and replace the entire street at this time. Discussion ensued and Mengler and Koberg both stated they feel the slag should be removed and the entire street should be replaced. Stagg stated the slag used in the trench backfill was identified as the issue causing concrete movements/cracks but expressed concerns that there aren't very many panels directly over the sanitary sewer trench that are being proposed for replacement, so only a minimal amount of slag would be removed. Mengler questioned the potential timeline and Holdorf replied the contractor won't be able to start until after Memorial Day. Discussion was held on additional studies and drafting an agreement between IMEG and the City for the resolution of W. Otis Street. Holdorf will take the City's concerns back to IMEG and attend a future council meeting this spring.

Mengler moved and Bieri seconded to adjourn at 5:46 p.m. Ayes: All. Motion carried.



Mayor John Kostichek



Lisa Rickertsen, City Clerk