

**WALCOTT CITY HALL
MONDAY, JULY 1, 2024**

The semi-monthly meeting of the City Council of Walcott, Iowa, was held on Monday, July 1, 2024, 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, Lisa Mengler, and Jacob Puck. Staff present: Jeff Blake, Lisa Rickertsen, and Paul Stagg.

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

Introduction of Audience/Public Comments. Andy Brus, Wade Warnecke, John Brockmann, Andrea Newcomb, and Sean Romanick. Warnecke expressed concerns regarding a bump on E. James Street and upcoming Walcott Day activities on the street.

Consent Agenda. Knutsen moved and Bieri seconded to approve the consent agenda including the invoices and minutes from June 17, 2024. Motion carried.

Walcott Day Events.

- **Parade Approval and Temporary Closure of Route Streets.** Puck moved and Mengler seconded to approve the Walcott Day Parade route, temporary closure of route streets on July 20, 2024. Motion carried. The route will start at the school on E. James Street, turn south on Main Street, and end at E. Lincoln Street.
- **Street Closures.** Bieri moved and Puck seconded to approve closing N. Henry Street, between James and Lincoln Streets; E. Otis Street, between Main and Downey Streets; N. Downey Street, between James and Otis Streets; and E. James Street, between Henry and Downey Streets on July 20, 2024. Motion carried.
- **Fireworks Contribution.** Knutsen moved and Mengler seconded to approve a contribution of \$1,000 to the Walcott Day Committee for the fireworks display. Motion carried.
- **5K Race Route.** Mengler moved and Bieri seconded to approve the 5K race route on July 20, 2024, with temporary street closures along the route. Motion carried.
- **Police Department Part-Time Wages.** Due to the pay differences between officers paid by the City and those paid by the Walcott Day Committee, Knutsen moved and Puck seconded to approve a special wage of \$30.67/hour for part-time police officers working for the City during Walcott Day events on July 19th and 20th. Motion carried.
- **Approval to Sell Food at Prairie View Park on Friday, July 19th.** Mengler moved and Knutsen seconded to allow the Walcott Lions Club to sell food at Prairie View Park on July 19, 2024. Motion carried.
- **Approval to Close Heritage Recreational Trail for Kids Run and Fireworks on July 19th.** Puck moved and Koberg seconded to close Heritage Recreational Trail at Prairie View Park for the kids run and fireworks on July 19, 2024, with a rain date on July 20, 2024. Motion carried.

Walcott Coliseum - Amend Class C License to include Temporary Outdoor Service Area for July 13, 2024. Mengler moved and Knutsen seconded to approve the temporary outdoor service area for the Walcott Coliseum on July 13, 2024. Motion carried.

Walcott Community Club – Street Closure Request for July 13, 2024 – E. Bryant Street between Main and Henry Streets. Mengler moved and Bieri seconded to approve closing E. Bryant Street, between Main and Henry Streets on July 13, 2024, from 4:00 p.m.– 11:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Andy Brus – Golf Cart Permit Revocation. Brus requested the City Council reconsider action taken last July on his two-year golf cart permit revocation. Mengler stated the City Code doesn't allow the Council to make changes following the hearing decision.

Safety/Speeding Concerns on W. Otis Street. Concerns were expressed regarding safety of pedestrians crossing W. Otis Street, between the splash pad and Wescott Park, due to vehicles speeding and/or distracted drivers. Following discussion, Koberg moved and Mengler seconded to approve purchasing 60 feet of rubber 2 ½" speed bumps (3 feet sections) to be placed on W. Otis Street (between Rowe and Parker Streets), at a cost up to \$3,007.88. Motion carried.

N. Grove Street Water Main Improvements Project. Stagg requested approval to move forward with replacing one block of 4" water main on N. Grove Street, which is budgeted for this fiscal year. Mengler moved and Puck seconded to proceed with obtaining engineering proposals for the water main project. Motion carried. Stagg was asked to request proposals from multiple engineering firms.

City Clerk's Report. Rickertsen reported the City received a grant from AARP for \$12,000 towards the Tennis Court Rehabilitation and Pickleball Courts Project.

Mayor & Council Member Comments. Mayor Kostichuk and Council Members reported on compliments regarding the City parks and thanked the Public Works Department. Koberg reported on concerns again regarding the bump on E. James Street. Koberg mentioned having the Police Department write speeding tickets for violators on W. Otis Street. Knutsen reported two manholes near his residence make loud rattling noises when they are driven over. Mengler thanked the Walcott Softball Organization for their efforts in bringing teams to Walcott for the fastpitch tournament (Larry Koberg ISC Qualifier).

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



Mayor John Kostichuk



Lisa Rickertsen, City Clerk

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ALLIANT ENERGY	SERVICES	11,234.79
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SWING	46.99
BENGFORT, SCOTT	TRAINING MEAL REIMB	20.00
BLAKE, JEFFERY	MEDICAL REIMB	945.91
BROOKS LAW FIRM, P.C.	LEGAL SERVICES	1,841.50
COMDATA	CC CHARGES	1,273.06
IOWA 80 GROUP	FUEL	189.74
IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADE	TRAINING	150.00
MEDIACOM	SERVICES	176.90
MENARDS	PARTS	543.44
NEWELL'S AUTOMOTIVE	SERVICES	113.86
POGGENPOHL, JAMES	MEDICAL REIMB	553.20
QC ANALYTICAL SERVICES LLC	TRAINING FEES	300.00
RAIN DROP PRODUCTS, LLC	SPLASH PAD CONTROLLER REPAIR	3,284.00
RHINO INDUSTRIES, INC	CHEMICALS	1,944.00
RICKERTSEN, LISA	MILEAGE REIMB	205.02
RIVER VALLEY CO-OP	TANK RENTAL	622.39
SCOTT CO. SHERIFF DEPT.	BOOKING FEES	50.00
SINCLAIR TRACTOR	ENGINE OIL	23.28
TURKLE TREE SERVICE INC	TREE TRIMMING	400.00
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES INC	SERVICES	250.00
U.S. CELLULAR	SERVICES	405.05
ULINE	DOMELIDS	995.22
USA BLUE BOOK	LAB SUPPLIES	19.20
VOGEL TRAFFIC SERVICES	PAVEMENT MARKINGS	3,106.50
WRIGHT, TABETHA	MILEAGE REIMB	259.29
SUBTOTAL		28,953.34
PAYROLL	06/21/24 REGULAR	31,998.13
PAYROLL	2ND QTR MAYOR, COUNCIL, PARK BOARD	2,522.02
PAYROLL	YEAR END SICK PAYOUTS	15,037.24
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES		78,510.73
FUND TOTALS		
GENERAL		56,275.89
SPLASH PAD RESERVE		3,284.00
WATER UTILITY		5,569.23
SEWER UTILITY		13,381.61
TOTALS		78,510.73