

The Jewell City Council met in a Regular Session February 8, 2021, at the Jewell City Hall starting at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Reiter called the meeting to order with Council Members: Outzen, Roethler, Lorenzen, Winborn and Young present. Absent – none.

APPROVE MINUTES OF JANUARY 25, 2021, REGULAR SESSION:

Winborn made a motion to approve the minutes of January 25, 2021, Regular Session. Roethler seconded the motion. Roll Call 5 – 0. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA: a) Addition to agenda, b) Claims, c) Treasurer’s report

With no addition to the consent agenda, Outzen made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Winborn seconded the motion. Roll Call 5 – 0. Motion carried.

The Treasurer’s report was presented for the month ending 01/31/2021.

	Revenue	Expenditures
General	\$40,571.20	\$40,103.05
Emergency	19.19	00.00
Fire	9,669.69	00.00
Development Lots	00.00	00.00
Road Use	14,055.80	12,085.71
Trust & Agency	73.86	2,271.23
Meter Deposits	150.00	125.00
Water	20,495.56	18,050.50
Sewer	11,048.90	13,413.00
Local Option Tax	10,450.55	00.00
Capital Project Funds	00.00	514.26
Chapter 410/411	19.19	00.00
TOTAL	\$106,553.94	\$86,562.75

EMPLOYEE:

a. Winborn made a motion to advertise for the pool manager and lifeguards for the 2021 pool season. Roethler seconded the motion. Roll Call 5 -0. Motion carried.

b. The City Clerk was instructed to keep all applications received for the Utility Billing Clerk position until March 1, 2021. At that time they will be reviewed by the Personnel Committee and interviews will be scheduled.

City Attorney Justin Deppe attended the City Council meeting by phone

TOM BELL - DRAINAGE ISSUE: City Attorney Deppe reviewed with the City Council a letter that was received from Goodwin Law Office, P.C. Winborn made a motion to have City Attorney Deppe send a letter asking what exactly they are requesting done. Roethler seconded the motion. Roll Call 5 – 0. Motion carried.

FRAY – 600 MAIN STREET: City Attorney Deppe spoke with the State Fire Marshall. He was unable to re-inspect the property after the deadline of January 31, 2021. Young made a motion to have City Attorney Deppe proceed with serving the property owner a notice that he is in violation of City Ordinance, Chapter 145.03 Unsafe Building. Outzen seconded the motion. Roll Call 5 – 0. Motion carried.

MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT: *The engineering company is reviewing the current water, sewer and storm drain system plans. When the weather warms up, they will proceed with surveying the area. The City Clerk is looking for grant opportunities to help fund the project. No action was taken.*

SIDEWALK COMMITTEE: *The City Council reviewed the proposed resolution and policy to implement a sidewalk inspection and repair program in the City of Jewell. The Sidewalk Committee will review the draft of the policy and make recommendations at the next city council meeting. No action was taken.*

LOCAL OPTION SALES AND SERVICE TAX: *A special election will be held Tuesday, March 2, 2021. The local polling place for the cities of Ellsworth, Jewell and Randall and the townships of Ellsworth, Lincoln, Lyon, Rose Grove and Scott will be Jewell UCC Church, north entrance, 537 Main Street, Jewell, Iowa.*

ALLIANT ENERGY: *The City Council reviewed the programs and service guide provided by Alliant Energy. No action was taken.*

BACKUP POWER FOR CITY HALL: *The City Council asked the City Clerk to get quotes for a backup power system for City Hall. No action was taken.*

JEWELL HISTORICAL MUSEUM: *The City Council approved the donation of a small, metal cabinet to the Jewell Historical Museum.*

CLEAR LAKE SAILORS 4-H CLUB: *The organization has rescheduled their event for Saturday, March 27, 2021. Registration starts at 10:00 a.m. and the run will begin at 10:30 a.m.*

2021-2022 BUDGET:

a. Police Chief Turpen was present to review the Police Department's 2021-2022 budget and answer questions from the City Council.

b. Bernie Bell and Dave Osmundson were approved for a 3% raise. Cathy Siefken was approved for a \$1.38/hour raise.

c. The City Council reviewed the expenditure and revenue spreadsheets and made revisions.

ADJOURN: *Winborn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Roethler seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 p.m.*

Cathy Siefken, City Clerk

Leo Reiter, Mayor