

The Jewell City Council met in Regular Session Monday, December 12, 2022, at the Jewell City Hall starting at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Reiter called the meeting to order with Council Members: Roethler, Lorenzen, Boor and Gunderson present. Chief Turpen and Mellissa Roethler were also present. Councilman Winborn was absent.

APPROVE DECEMBER 12, 2022, AGENDA: Boor made a motion to approve the December 12 agenda. Gunderson seconded the motion. Roll Call 4—0. Motion carried.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

- Gunderson made a motion to approve the November 28, 2022 minutes. Lorenzen seconded the motion. Roll Call 4—0. Motion carried.
- Gunderson made a motion to approve the December 12, 2022 claims. Roethler seconded the motion. Roll Call 4—0. Motion carried.
- Roethler made a motion to approve the November’s Treasurer’s report. Gunderson seconded the motion. Roll Call 4—0. Motion Carried.

November’s Treasurer’s Report

	Revenue	Expenditures
General	\$16,065.70	\$44,429.70
Emergency	\$257.17	00.00
Fire	\$8,231.15	00.00
Development Lots	00.00	00.00
Road Use	\$13,225.81	\$7,749.09
Trust & Agency	\$1,367.04	\$1,724.20
Meter Deposits	\$450.00	\$175.00
Water	\$26,812.49	\$10,534.04
Sewer	\$11,558.19	\$7,291.65
Local Option Tax	00.00	00.00
Capital Project Funds	00.00	00.00
Chapter 410/411	\$257.17	00.00
TOTAL	\$95,473.53	\$71,903.68

JEWELL JUBILEE: Jackie Reiter requested Highway 69 to be closed for the annual Jewell Jubilee on Friday, June 9, 2023 from 4:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Boor made a motion to allow Chief Turpen to apply for the closure with the Iowa D.O.T. Roethler seconded the motion. Roll Call 4—0. Motion carried.

TREE PLANTING: Sherry Rego made a request on behalf of the South Hamilton Class of 1992 to have a Celebration of Life Ceremony for Jesse Berhow in which a tree would be planted at the City Park in his honor. The ceremony would take place the weekend of Jewell Jubilee. Gunderson made a motion approving the request, pending the Mayor’s recommendation on tree species. Lorenzen seconded the motion. Roll Call 4—0. Motion carried.

CHICKENS IN JEWELL: Boor made a motion to revoke the December 31, 2022 deadline and revise the ordinance to allow chickens to remain in the City of Jewell pending owners follow guidelines and in good faith adhere to protocols set forth. All chicken owner’s must have a permit. Roethler seconded the motion. Roll call 3—1: Boor-aye, Gunderson-nay, Lorenzen-aye, Roethler-aye. Motion carried.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 296:

- The second reading of ordinance 296, pertaining to water rates in the city of Jewell was done. The rate increase allows for a 20% increase to the minimum usage, from \$25.28 to \$30.34, and any additional usage of 2,000 gallons would rise from \$.85 to \$1.02 per 100 gallons. Boor made a motion to approve the second reading, allowing a 20% increase to water rates. Roethler seconded the motion. Roll Call 4—0. Motion carried.

- *Gunderson made a motion to waive the third reading of ordinance 296. Lorenzen seconded the motion. Roll Call 4—0. Motion carried.*

UTILITY BILLING UPGRADE: *Utility Billing Clerk Mellissa Roethler explained the impending expiration of the current software and the benefit of upgrading to an MRX transceiver to expediate and increase efficiency in the processes of reading meters. Gunderson made a motion to approve the \$2,100 Neptune 360 software, the \$9,500 MRX transceiver, a \$1,500 upgrade to current belt clip, and an \$1,895 module with Banyon Software for a total of \$14,995. Lorenzen seconded the motion. Roll Call 4—0. Motion carried.*

COMPENSATION PAY: *Regina Beaune requested a 40 hour payout of compensation pay. Boor made a motion approving the 40 hours of pay. Roethler seconded the motion. Roll Call 4—0. Motion carried.*

CITY EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE:

- *The Employee Committee recommended a \$750 allowance for full time employees to use towards city offered insurance. The City will be offering Wellmark Enhanced Blue 1500, dental and vision. There will be no stipends or supplemental pay if employee opts out of the City offered insurance plan. Boor made a motion to approve the Employee Committee's recommendation. Gunderson seconded the motion. Roll Call 4—0. Motion carried.*
- *Boor made a motion to approve Resolution 22:30, which specifies the \$750 allowance for full time employees, and any additional amount would be the employees' responsibility. Roethler seconded the motion. Roll Call 4—0. Motion carried.*

CANCEL THE DECEMBER 26TH CITY COUNCIL MEETING: *Boor made a motion to cancel the December 26th, 2022 City Council meeting. Roethler seconded the motion. Roll Call 4—0. Motion carried.*

CITY SOCIAL MEDIA: *Gunderson made a motion approving City Clerk Beaune to establish Facebook, Snapchat, Instagram, or other social media platforms to reach a variety of audiences with pertinent city information. Lorenzen seconded the motion. Roll Call 4—0. Motion carried.*

ADJOURN: *Gunderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lorenzen seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.*

Regina Beaune, City Clerk

Leo Reiter, Mayor

12/12/2022 CLAIMS

IRS	SOCIAL SECURITY, MEDICARE, TAX	\$2,341.80
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	WATER PLANT INTEREST PAYMENT	\$12,930.00
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	WATER TOWER INTEREST	\$1,172.50
IPERS COLLECTIONS	IPERS	\$3,230.72
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF	SALES TAX	\$214.46
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF	EXCISE TAX	\$1,499.78
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	POLICE HEALTH	\$772.94
STAPLES	PAPER, TRASH BAGS, PAPER TOWELS	\$124.76
MIDPHASE	CONTRACT	\$72.40
EMPLOYED	WAGES	\$7,629.05
AG SOURCE COOP SERVICES	TESTING	\$121.75
ANDRA WILLIS	UTILITY DEPOSIT REFUND 214 MAIN	\$49.43
CARGILL INC	SALT	\$6,093.01
CENTURYLINK	POOL PHONE	\$449.29
CIT SEWER SOLUTIONS	HYDROROOT CUTTING, HEAVY	\$2,820.17
CITY OF JEWELL	UTILITY DEPOSIT REFUND FOR BILL 520	\$196.86
COMPASS BUSINESS	WATER INVOICES	\$498.04
COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE EX	POLICE TELE	\$1.76
ELLSWORTH COOP	POLICE TELEPHONE	\$26.38
HEART OF IA PUBLISHING INC	PUBLISHING	\$428.88
HEARTLAND COOPERATIVE	POLICE FUEL	\$966.40
JASON BLACKMAN	UTILITY DEPOSIT REFUND 520 KING	\$23.15
JEREMY ELDRED	UTILITY DEPOSIT REFUND 520 KING	\$30.56
JEWELL FARM & HOME	DIESEL EXHAUST 2.5 GALLONS	\$129.86
MONTGOMERY MEMORIAL	TAX PAYMENT	\$5,679.32
NAPA AUTO PARTS	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$30.58
PREMIER	COPIER CONTRACT	\$66.25
RELIABLE 1	BOILERS AND WATER HEATERS SERVICED	\$1,198.00
ROBBS TREE & STUMP	33 ASH TREES REMOVED	\$21,450.00
SNYDER & ASSOCIATES	SURVEY	\$2,700.00
TRASHMAN	RECYCLING FEE	\$1,726.50
UTILITY SERVICE CO INC	EDWARDS STREET TANK QUARTERLY	\$1,232.90
VAN WERT COMPANY	WATER METERS	\$2,916.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	POLICE CELL PHONE	\$121.36
TOTAL		\$78,944.86