

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
ZEARING CITY COUNCIL
ZEARING, IOWA
SEPTEMBER 11, 2023**

7:00 PM Mayor Reed called the meeting to order and roll call was taken; Present: Tisdale, Good, Skinner, Perisho and Murrell.

Tisdale motioned to approve the agenda. Murrell seconded the motion. Motion carried, Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Tisdale motioned to approve the minutes from the August 14 and 24, 2023 meetings. Perisho seconded. Motion carried, Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Murrell motioned to pay the claims from August 15, 2023 to September 11, 2023. Perisho seconded the motion. Motion carried, Ayes 5, Nays 0.

CLAIMS REPORT		
VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRICITY	3,043.94
CENTRAL IOWA FARM STORE	PARTS	274.45
CENTRAL IOWA TELEVISION	LIFT STATION	900
ZEARING, CITY OF	ADDL HEALTH DED	64.84
DENTONS DAVIS BROWN PC	LEGAL FEES	1,728.00
HILL'S BACKHOE & TILING	NORTH PEARL PROJECT	49,057.45
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICES	FED/FICA TAXES	1,843.88
IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES	PARTS	12.25
IOWA REGIONAL UTILITIES ASSOC	WATER PURCHASE	3,577.60
I P E R S COLLECTIONS	IPERS	1,262.96
BAILEY SERVICE, LLC	GARBAGE SERVICE	6,316.50
JOHNSON SALES & SERVICE	PARTS	885.95
KAREN DAVIS	JULY/AUG CELL REIMBURSEMENT	100
KEY COOPERATIVE	SUPPLIES	380.66
MENARDS - AMES	SUPPLIES	1,194.67
MIDWEST ALARM SERVICES	INSPECTION	441.38
MINERVA VALLEY TELEPHONE	TELEPHONE	414.99
NESSA, INC.	PARTS	24.96
STERLING FIRE & SAFETY, INC.	EXTINGUISHER INSPECTION	130
SUPERIOR WELDING SUPPLY		90
US BANK	COPIER	56.62
WILLIAM BLACK	JULY/AUG CELL REIMBURSEMENT	100
Accounts Payable Total		71,901.10
Payroll Checks		6,576.26
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		78,477.36
GENERAL		30,355.70
ROAD USE TAX		411.6
WATER		44,501.46
SEWER		3,208.60
TOTAL FUNDS		78,477.36

Sheriff's Report: Speeding Report will be sent to the City. Largest complaint is the vehicles that are speeding through town from early morning to late afternoon.

Open Forum: Stuart – Old Bus Yard Clean-up, Johnson- asked to be removed, Judy White-Rose – invitation/announcement, Schnormeier – City Code.

NB: Discussion of Altenburg Construction Fuel Station. Planning and Zoning met to discuss the permit but were not able to approve. This action puts it in Board of Adjustments. Research was also done with the State fire Marshall's office. There are recommendations and requirements from the State Fire Marshall's Office that will need to be met before the BOA can consider any action.

Good motioned to approve moving forward with establishing an ordinance for yard meters. Perisho seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Good motioned to hold Trunk or Treat/Trick or Treat night on Sunday, October 29th, 6pm – 8pm. Murrell seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Good motioned to approve 1500.00 to the CN Recreation Program. Murrell seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

OB: Delinquent water bills. Will be updated due to computer issues.

Nuisance Properties – N Elm property and N Olive property are being addressed by the City Attorney. S Center Property and S Pine Property need to be addressed for mowing.

P&Z – Altenburg Permit.

Superintendent report – Storm sewer will need repairs by the city maintenance building, North Pearl water looping has one house's service line to replace. North and South Pearl water projects will need concrete and grass seeding to finish the project. Water tower maintenance is complete – next clean out and inspection will be in 2025. While the painting looks bad on the tower, once there is more rain it will look better. Mosquito spray will need to be ordered for FY24 with a possible cost of \$3787.00.

Clerk Report – Working with Greg Piklapp to amend the Story County ARPA funds. Working on the last 2 insurance items from the August 11, 2022 storm. Communicating with IAHLs to finish FEMA from 2020. Worked with the Library to finally finish the copier contract issues.

Been working with the attorney on the alley vacations and nuisances. Working with Greg. Water bill mailing issues have been resolved with Sandy Perisho's help. Water project has had many phone calls and may need to implement a text/calling program for emergencies.

Mayor Report – Projects going pretty well despite all of the unknowns underground.

Council Reports – 108 E Main needs more photos of the building interior. Need to check on the spray insulation at 106 E Main. South Park needs to have the mulch replaced. Restroom needs to be checked for cleaning as well as how to avoid having dirt blowing in. Look at a door closure to possibly help keep the door shut as well.

Employee Reviews: Bill Black, Open Session

Karen Davis, Closed Session, Pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 21.5 (i). Murrell motioned to go into closed session at 8:38pm. Skinner seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Murrell motioned to come out of closed session at 9:18pm. Tisdale seconded the motion. Motion carried: Ayes: Skinner, Perisho, Murrell and Tisdale. Absent: Good.

Next regular meeting will be on October 9, 2023 at 7:00 PM at City Hall.

Murrell motioned at 9:18pm to adjourn. Tisdale seconded. Motion carried: Ayes: Tisdale, Skinner, Perisho and Murrell. Absent: Good.

Tim Reed, Mayor of Zearing, Iowa

Attested:

Karen Davis, City Clerk of Zearing, Iowa