

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
ZEARING CITY COUNCIL  
ZEARING, IOWA  
JUNE 14 , 2021**

7:00 PM Mayor Reed called the meeting to order and roll call was taken; Present: Murrell, Obrecht, Skinner and Tisdale. Not Present, Perisho. Perisho arrived at 7:29 pm.

Murrell motioned to approve the agenda. Tisdale seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tisdale motioned to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2021 meeting. Skinner seconded. Motion carried.

Tisdale motioned to pay the claims from May 12, 2021 to June 14, 2021. Obrecht seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CLAIMS REPORT		
VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
AG SOURCE LABORATORIES	LAB WORK	25.5
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRICITY	2,536.09
BOUND TREE MEDICAL, LLC.	PUBLIC SAFETY	336.65
BROWN SUPPLY CO.	MANHOLE LID	108
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	SUPPLIES	2,850.10
AMES, CITY OF	LANDFILL FEES	2,908.50
ZEARING, CITY OF	ADDL HEALTH DED	64.84
DENTONS DAVIS BROWN PC	LEGAL	392
DDM ELECTRIC INC.	REPAIRS	2,934.71
ELECTRIC PUMP	LIFT STATION REPAIRS	4,527.30
HALL BACKHOE & TRENCHING	SEWER/STORM SEWER/ST. REPAIR	18,605.39
HOKEL MACHINE SUPPLY	SUPPLIES	16.45
IMWCA	WORK COMP PREMIUM	4,666.00
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICES	FED/FICA TAX	2,003.48
IOWA REGIONAL UTILITIES ASSOC	WATER PURCHASE	4,795.51
I P E R S COLLECTIONS	IPERS	1,160.54
J&T PLUMBING & HEATING	REPAIRS	154.81
BAILEY SERVICE, LLC	GARBAGE SERVICE	4,786.00
JOHNSON SALES & SERVICE	PARTS	132.96
KAREN DAVIS	REIMBURSEMENTS	550
KATHY TISDALE	PARK SUPPLIES	142.17
KEY COOPERATIVE	SUPPLIES	148
LISA OBRECHT	CAN SUPPLIES	67
MAGUIRE IRON, INC.	CONTRACT	10,173.31
MARCO	COPIER	408.98
MARTIN'S FLAG CO., INC.	FLAGS	166.87
MINERVA VALLEY TELEPHONE	TELEPHONE	298.99
PEOPLE	SUBSCRIPTION	118.26
R.L. GOOD OIL CO.	FUEL	218.4
RACOM CORPORATION	CONTRACT	385.56
ROTO ROOTER	REPAIRS	514.7

SONSHINE FARMS	LIBRARY PLANTS	42.5
STAPLES	SUPPLIES	305.38
STAR EQUIPMENT	PARTS	243.19
STORY COUNTY TREASURER	3RD QUARTER PAYMENT	8,605.01
TIM ADAMS	REIMBURSEMENT	73
US BANK	COPIER	557.98
VAN WALL EQUIPMENT	PARTS	33.4
WELLMARK BC/BS	INSURANCE	3,549.75
WILLIAM BLACK	CELL REIMBURSEMENTS	50
Accounts Payable Total		79,657.28
Payroll Checks		6,854.25
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		86,511.53
GENERAL		45,456.66
ROAD USE TAX		7,228.21
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT		3,549.75
WATER		18,381.63
SEWER		11,787.28
STORM SEWER		108
TOTAL FUNDS		86,511.53

Sheriff's Report – School is out and weather is getting hotter so streets are getting busier. There has been an increase of catalytic converter thefts around the Ames area.

Open Forum – None

NB: In regards to Nesco-Medical Clinic, there are some projects that were discussed. The flooring in the lobby needs to be replaced. Vinyl has been considered as an option. Two bids have been. The foundation on the north side needs attention and Mary O'Connor is to be in contact with the City Hall for assistance on completing some of these projects with grants. After discussion the decision to go with Carpet One was decided on. Obrecht motioned to approve replacement of the flooring through Carpet One. Tisdale second. Motion carried.

Skinner motioned to approve the Story County Animal Control Contract, with Karen and himself willing to be the non-emergency after hours contact. Murrell second. Motion carried.

As Zearing Days approaches next month, Skinner described some of the events, vendors and timelines. Fireworks will be Friday July 23<sup>rd</sup> at dusk with a rain date for Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup>. There will be the normal road closures of Gogerty, the parade route, and then the street dance. Skinner has three food trucks, an ice cream truck, and sno-cone truck lined up. Event schedule is still in progress as we wait to hear from insurance companies. Skinner requested for the city to approve donations from the city. Murrell motioned to approve the event requests and donation request for \$4500. Obrecht second. Motion carried.

Tisdale motioned to pay bills from FY21 received before June 30, 2021 Obrecht second. Motion Carried.

Karen and Nicole stated that FEMA is getting closer to being completed. Projects have been kicked back but still in progress. Nicole has been researching Economic Development grants with an application deadline of June 30, 2021. The city has also received new business banners to replace the ones damaged during the derecho.

The city has one apartment rented and one recently vacated. Applications will be available online and the city hall.

Software issues are still improving. Water bills will no longer be estimated.

Obrecht requested to review Chapter 7 for Fiscal Management. Karen will continue to follow the calendar for budget deadlines from the Iowa Department of Management.

Obrecht requested review of Mayor and Council Members duties. Orders come from the mayor to delegate duties for city employees. Council members are to direct people to the City Hall for complaints, to fill out a nuisance form, or obtain it off of the City of Zearing website.

South Park bathroom construction has begun and will be progressing over the next couple weeks. Tim will reach out to Mike Price about credit card delegation and proper procedures for Fire Department.

At 8:54pm Perisho motioned to go into closed session. Murrell second. Motion carried.

At 9:13 pm Murrell motioned to come out of closed session. Tisdale second. Motion carried

Skinner motioned to increase Part-time clerk to 24 hours per week. Mayor approval will be given for additional hours. Perisho second. Motion carried. Ayes:4. Nays: Obrecht.

OB: 102 E. Main & 106 N. Center update. They are continuing to clean up the site, cap the water and sewer, and fill up with dirt.

Delinquent water bills: 11 currently with 2 being sent out on 6/15/2021.

Pearl Street Bridge- In process with DOT, we have received insurance paperwork , and waiting for the following steps.

Superintendent report- Hired two new employees and plan to tear out EMS entrance and replace it.

Clerk Report – Hoping to finish up with FEMA soon. Working on Urban Renewal research for projects. Need to discuss further annexation of new Key Cooperative site.

Mayor Report – None

Council Member Reports- None

Next regular meeting will be on July 12, 2021 at 7:00 PM at City Hall.

Murrell motioned at 9:25 PM to adjourn meeting. Tisdale seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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Tim Reed, Mayor of Zearing, Iowa

Attested:

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Karen Davis, City Clerk of Zearing, Iowa