

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
ZEARING CITY COUNCIL
ZEARING, IOWA
March 13, 2023**

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

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

Good motioned to approve the minutes from February 13, 2023. Tisdale seconded. Motion carried, Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Murrell motioned to pay the claims from February 14, 2023 to March 13, 2023. Skinner seconded the motion. Motion carried, Ayes 5, Nays 0.

CLAIMS REPORT		
VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
ACTIVE 911, INC.	SUBSCRIPTION	450
AG SOURCE COOP SERVICES	LAB WORK	27.5
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRICITY	3,591.81
BOLTON & MENK	WATER MAIN DESIGN	8,881.00
BOUND TREE MEDICAL, LLC.	PUBLIC SAFETY	176.52
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	SUPPLIES	2,718.56
ZEARING, CITY OF	ADDL HEALTH DED	64.84
FIRE SERVICE TRAINING BUREAU	SUPPLIES	12.31
GATEHOUSE MEDIA IA HOLDINGS	PUBLICATION	198.36
HILL'S BACKHOE & TILING	TREE REMOVAL	280
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICES	FED/FICA TAX	1,817.24
IOWA REGIONAL UTILITIES ASSOC	WATER PURCHASE	3,577.60
I P E R S COLLECTIONS	IPERS	1,245.74
BAILEY SERVICE, LLC	GARBAGE SERVICE	5,201.00
JETCO	FLOWMETER CALIBRATION	266.25
KAREN DAVIS	CELL REIMBURSEMENT	50
MIDWEST ALARM SERVICES	SERVICE OF FIRE SYSTEM	353.1
MINERVA VALLEY TELEPHONE	TELEPHONE	314.9
NESSA, INC.	PARTS	169.3
PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL	320.53
PORTABLE PROS	PORT A POTTY	355
ROOFING INNOVATIONS, LLC	25% DOWN ON CONTRACTS	6,132.07
STAR EQUIPMENT	PARTS	409.67
STORY CO CLERK OF COURT	COURT COSTS	40
US BANK	COPIER	557.98
WILLIAM BLACK	CELL REIMBURSEMENT	50
Accounts Payable Total		37,261.28
Payroll Checks		6,969.61
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		44,230.89
GENERAL		25,829.01
ROAD USE TAX		353.36

WATER		15,015.20
SEWER		3,033.32
TOTAL FUNDS		44,230.89

Sheriff's Report – Two new Deputies – one on afternoon and one on evening shift. Field training will begin for another recruit. Asked about break-ins, one person is arrested in jail and the other's status is unknown at this time.

Open Forum – None.

NB: Good motioned to approve setting a \$1000.00 minimum bid for the city owned lot at 113 W Main Street. Murrell second the motion. Motion carried, Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Good motioned to proceed with researching grants to purchase ornamental trees to plant on Main & Center Street as well as create a group of resident volunteers to organize the project. Murrell seconded the motion. Motion carried. Ayes Murrell, Skinner, Perisho and Good. Nay Tisdale.

Perisho motioned to table the possibility of a City Clean-up day until further discussion can be had with Jerry's Sanitation about availability. Good seconded the motion. Motion carried, Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Skinner motioned to restart the Codification of the Zearing Code of Ordinances. Perisho seconded the motion. Motion carried, Ayes 5, Nays 0.

OB: Good motioned to award the bid for the water main project on South Pearl St. to Hall Backhoe and Tiling. Tisdale seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Murrell, Skinner, Perisho, Good and Tisdale. Nays none.

The Alley sale requests have been given to the City Attorney for review and preparation.

Delinquent water bills, 10 letters will be sent this month. Those 10 letters are equal to \$5800.00. Currently have an estimated \$18,500 in delinquent bills.

Nuisance Properties –N Pearl would like a June date for clean-up weather permitting. N Elm is being privately worked on. Abstract discovered a lien on the property.

Insurance update: 108 E Main is the most urgent repair needed. 2 companies have given quotes for flat roof repairs. Perisho requested Helgeland be contacted for a quote also.

Planning and Zoning – 1 permit pending. Beard reminder everyone about the Planning and Zoning Meeting on March 27th at the Dakins Center. Beard would appreciate the support of Planning and Zoning, Board of Adjustments and Council Members.

Superintendent report: None

Clerk Report – Schedule a Budget workshop as soon as the official numbers are available. April Meeting will have the Public Hearing for the Budget Certification. Reminder that the Agenda Deadline is the Thursday before the meeting at noon. Will be attending a zoom meeting about water rates. Would like all council members to assist with the nuisance properties.

Mayor Report – Bar needed a water shut off replaced. Replaced the box and one squared of sidewalk had to be removed to make the repairs. A local resident of the Zearing area, Glen Dutler, passed away. Thank you to everyone that attended and supported the Open House/Grand Opening of Altenburg Construction.

Met with Manatts for street repairs, generator is being installed at the medical clinic, thankful for Heritage Room members and to have the planning and zoning board filled.

Council Reports: Have been receiving questions about Zearing Days. Will hold a meeting soon and will be looking for volunteers to help assist.

Next regular meeting will be on April 10, 2023 at 7:00 PM at City Hall.

Murrell motioned at 7:48 PM to adjourn meeting. Tisdale seconded the motion. Motion carried, Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Tim Reed, Mayor of Zearing, Iowa

Attested:

Karen Davis, City Clerk of Zearing, Iowa