

A regular session of the Grundy Center City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 13, 2021 in the Council Chambers by Mayor Kiewiet. Present: Stefl (via online call), Smith, Kuester and Mcdonald. Absent: Hamann. Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the City of Grundy Center will be holding this regular city council meeting electronically via a conference call. Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone. <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/930799525> You can also dial in using your phone. United States: [+1 \(872\) 240-3212](tel:+18722403212) Access Code: 930-799-525.

Smith moved and Mcdonald seconded the approval of the meeting agenda with no conflict of interest. Motion carried four ayes.

Kuester moved and Stefl seconded the consent agenda consisting of: approval of the minutes of the regular session held Monday, August 16, 2021; approval of the August 2021 bills list; approval of the August 2021 Treasurers Report; approval of Trick or Treating for Sunday, October 31, 2021 from 5-7pm; approval to publish notice for open burning from Monday, October 4, 2021 through Tuesday, November 30, 2021; approval of an annual liquor license for Scotty's Saloon, 806 G Avenue. No further discussion, motion carried four ayes.

CLAIMS REPORT

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
A CUT ABOVE	SERVICES	80.00
ADMIN. PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	34.95
ADVANTAGE ADMINISTRATORS	SELF FUND INS	1715.39
AFLAC	AFLAC- PRE-TAX	115.94
AG SOURCE LABORATORIES	TESTING	2154.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	UTILITIES	288.03
AVESIS - FIDELITY SECURITY LIF	PREMIUMS	186.60
AXA EQUITABLE	DEFERRED COMP	300.00
DANIEL BANGASSER	REIMBURSEMENT	97.25
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UTILITIES	1316.27
BMC AGGREGATES L.C.	ROCK	340.33
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	MEDS	364.18
BROTHERS MARKET	SUPPLIES	147.06
CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC	SERVICES	112.22
CASEY'S BUSINESS MASTERCARD	FUEL	62.93
CORNFED DESIGNS	UNIFORM	21.00
DEARBORN NATIONAL	PREMIUMS	127.00
WELLMARK DENTAL	PREMIUMS	417.90
DWA FARMS, LLC	SERVICES	6502.00
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	22209.88
FELD FIRE	PARTS	95.38
FRONTIER TIRE AND TOW	SERVICES	2662.20
GALL'S LLC	UNIFORMS	2265.98
GEHRKE QUARRIES INC.	ROCK	103.32
GEHRKE, INC.	SANITARY SEWER PROJECT	301294.26
GNB COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP	HOUSING GRANT	1381.00
GNB INSURANCE	PREMIUMS	5818.00
GORDON FLESCH COMPANY	SERVICES	61.00
GRUNDY CENTER COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONES	354.51

GRUNDY CENTER DEVELOPMENT CORP	HOUSING GRANT	200000.00
GRUNDY CENTER UTILITIES	UTILITIES	10085.66
GRUNDY COUNTY MEM HOSPITAL	MEDS	170.88
GRUNDY COUNTY RECORDER	FEES	24.00
GRUNDY COUNTY TREASURER	TAXES	4686.00
HAWKEYE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	TRAINING	5120.00
HEARTLAND CO-OP	FUEL	3528.25
HSA - ABBAS, KENNETH	HEALTH SAVING	38.46
HSA - BANGASSER, DAN	HEALTH SAVING	80.00
HSA - BOWEN, MEL	HEALTH SAVING	66.16
HSA - FLATER, BRAD	HEALTH SAVING	100.00
HSA - FROST, DOUG	HEALTH SAVING	200.00
HSA - GLIEM, DWIGHT	HEALTH SAVING	40.00
HSA - LUFKIN, KENDRA	HEALTH SAVING	200.00
HSA - MARTENS, ERICA	HEALTH SAVING	38.46
HSA - MULLER, MICHAEL	HEALTH SAVING	40.00
HSA - SAWYER, KRISTY	HEALTH SAVING	200.00
HSA - SCHMIDT, BRADLEY	HEALTH SAVING	200.00
HSA - WILSON, JASON	HEALTH SAVING	80.00
IA FIRE CHIEFS ASSOC	DUES	25.00
IA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY	MMPI EVAL	300.00
IA NORTHLAND REG. COUNCIL GOV'	SERVICES	15.00
IOWA BOARD OF PHARMACY	FEES	90.00
COLLECTION SERVICES CENTER	GARNISHMENT	896.34
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL IPERS	PERMIT FEE IPERS REGULAR	1275.00 13287.59
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	SUPPLIES	275.82
KEYSTONE LABORATORIES INC	SERVICES	53.90
KENDRA LUFKIN	SERVICES	400.00
MANATTS	CONCRETE	2209.44
MASON CITY FORD LINC INC.	SQUAD CAR	36802.00
MID AMERICAN PUBLISHING COR	PUBLISHING	691.10
NAPA AUTO PARTS	SUPPLIES	26.75
NASRO	TRAINING	495.00
PEPSIAMERICAS	CONCESSIONS	140.72
PHYSICIANS CLAIMS CO	SERVICES	4841.96
POSTMASTER GRUNDY CENTER	STAMPS	330.00
PRECISION LAWN CARE	SERVICES	5902.50
RC SYSTEMS	SUPPLIES	86.76
REC GRUNDY COUNTY	UTILITIES	75.48
RITE ENVIRONMENTAL, INC	SERVICES	21802.10
RITLAND + KUIPER LANDSCAPE	SERVICES	1906.00
SAM'S CLUB	SUPPLIES	405.45
SPAHN AND ROSE LUMBER CO.	SUPPLIES	249.66

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	STATE TAXES	3254.00
STOREY KENWORTHY	SUPPLIES	301.31
TREASURER-STATE OF IA	SALES TAX	4802.00
UNIFIRST CORPORATION	RUGS	55.45
US CELLULAR	CELL PHONES	97.59
UTILITY EQUIPMENT CO.	PARTS	1962.13
VAN WALL EQUIPMENT	SUPPLIES	30.38
VERIZON	SERVICES	80.02
VISA	SUPPLIES	353.63
KYLE WAUGH	REIMBURSEMENT	369.89
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS B S	HEALTH INS	18701.50
WINDSTREAM IOWA	SERVICES	14.60
YOUTH SPORTS FOUNDATION	REC FEES	1500.00
Accounts Payable Total		708827.64
Payroll Checks		75209.77
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		784037.41

August 2021 Expenditures per fund: General: \$109355; Road Use Tax: \$7974; Employee Benefits: \$21673; Local Option Sales Tax Fund: \$24064; Community Betterment Fund: \$41; Police Reserve Fund: \$36802; Library Gift Trust: \$4656; Economic Development Gift Fund: \$1381; Continuing Projects: \$503200; Water Fund: \$17678; Sanitary Sewer Fund: \$17865; Sanitary Sewer Reserves Fund: \$16085; Sanitation Fund: \$26173; Ambulance Fund: \$34499; Storm Sewer Fund: \$2736; Total: \$824182.

August 2021 Revenues per fund: General: \$26314; American Rescue Plan Fund: \$198947; Road Use Tax: \$25140; Employee Benefits Fund: \$6 Emergency Fund: \$1; Local Option Sales Tax: \$24064; Community Betterment Fund: \$12032; Equipment Reserve PW Fund: \$114; Fire Equipment Reserve: \$971; Police Reserve Fund: \$325; Library Gift Trust: \$930; Park Board Gift Fund: \$745; Economic Development Gift Fund: \$1381; Debt Service Fund: \$7; Continuing Project Fund: \$281649; Water Fund: \$68759; Sanitary Sewer Fund: \$40941; Sewer Sinking fund: \$16085; Sanitation Fund: \$31224; Ambulance Fund: \$54276; Ambulance Equipment Reserve Fund: \$235; Storm Sewer: \$4262; Total: \$788409.

Mayor Kiewiet opened the public forum at 6:32 pm. Connie Thede and Brittany Ruskusky commented a need to have a stop sign on 8th Street at the M Avenue intersection to stop the north-south traffic. According to Thede and Ruskusky that children traveling to and from school have a difficult time at the intersection and that this is a safety issue. No further comments, forum closed at 6:35 pm.

Mayor Kiewiet introduced Mary Doak with the Grundy Center Historical Society. Doak gave an update on the petition that is circulating for signature for the option to add the Cultural & Scientific Facilities levy to the November 2021 election ballot. Doak commented on the significance the Historical Society and what they have all done for the City and residents since 2015. This tax levy is \$.27/\$1000 of taxable value of a property. An agreement would be in place if the voters agree to begin this levy. No further comments or formal action taken.

Mcdonald moved and Smith seconded action on Resolution 2021-45, a resolution to approve the hire of Kaitlyn Freese as Youth Services Assistant for Kling Memorial Library and set her wage. Lindsey Freese, Library Director commented on the hiring of Kaitlyn Freese is needed due to the high number of youth and the services they provide. No further discussion, motion carried four ayes.

Kuester moved and Mcdonald seconded action on Resolution 2021-46, a resolution to approve wage increases per recommendation from Library Board. Director Freese commented that these wage increases are reallocating the higher wage previously for a now retired employee. Freese mentioned these increases will not require a budget amendment for the fiscal year. No further discussions, motion carried four ayes.

Smith moved and Kuester seconded action on Resolution 2021-47, a resolution to authorize Mayor Kiewiet to sign an agreement with Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities for the Iowa Safety Education Program Participation Agreement. Bangasser explained this agreement is replacing the Safety Education Program

that is currently ran by IAMU. This new ISEP program will combine eleven regional programs into one program with added capabilities. No increase in cost. No further discussion, motion carried four ayes.

Kuester moved and Smith seconded action on Resolution 2021-48, a resolution to approve Change Order #3 for \$4015.64 for the 2021 Sanitary Sewer Improvements project. Bangasser explained this Change Order #3 is to increase and decrease different sized pipes and majority of increase is for the temporary traffic control devices used for the detour signage. No further discussion, motion carried four ayes.

Mcdonald moved and Smith seconded action on Resolution 2021-49, a resolution to approve a BIG Grant for Jason Monaghan, owner of The Grundy Register building, 601 G Avenue. The grant is for \$10,000 for sidewalk, curb & gutter replacement façade improvements. No further discussion, motion carried four ayes.

Smith moved and Kuester seconded action on Resolution 2021-50, a resolution to approve a BIG Grant for John Heeren, owner of Cornfed Designs, LLC, 106 4th Street. The grant is for \$10,000 for electrical and HVAC upgrades. No further discussion, motion carried four ayes.

Steffl moved and Mcdonald seconded action on Resolution 2021-51, a resolution to approve a BIG Grant for Chad's Pizza & Restaurant, 2201 Commerce Drive. The grant is for \$10,000 for patio and window upgrades. No further discussion, motion carried three ayes (Steffl, Mcdonald and Smith) and one nay (Kuester).

Smith moved and Mcdonald seconded action on Resolution 2021-52, a resolution to approve a BIG Grant for Grundy Center Theatre Association, 602 7th Street. The grant is for \$9,927 for marquee repairs, display cases and HVAC upgrades. No further discussion, motion carried four ayes.

Finance Committee/ Clerk commented on the many nuisance letters that have been mailed out this summer; more BIG Grant applications have come in and City Auditor will arrive on Oct 11, 2021 to begin fieldwork.

Public Safety Committee commented on receiving a \$2400 grant for the UCR software, one of 57 agencies in the State of Iowa received the grant. Police Department also received a donation from a local quilting group to sponsor Officer Niehaus to attend training. New police squad is here and waiting to go for outfitting of cage and devices.

Public Works Committee commented Sports Complex Renovations Project update and Highway 175/14 should be reopened by the end of the week as concrete has been poured.

Kuester moved and Mcdonald seconded adjournment of the meeting at 7:30 pm. Motion carried four ayes. Next meeting will be Monday, September 20, 2021 at 6:30pm.

Al Kiewiet, Mayor

Attest: Kristy Sawyer, City Clerk