

A regular session of the Grundy Center City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, November 6, 2023, in the Council Chambers by Mayor Eberline. Present: Smith, Rasmussen, Kuester and Mcdonald. Absent: Lamp. Visitors: Eric Willis, Assured Partners. The City of Grundy Center held this regular city council meeting in person and electronically via an online meeting or conference call at a computer, tablet, or smartphone. Please join my meeting on your computer, tablet, or smartphone. <https://meet.goto.com/714926317> You can also dial in using your phone. Access Code: 714-926-317 United States: +1 (408) 650-3123.

Smith moved and Mcdonald seconded the approval of the meeting agenda with a conflict of interest for item #6 for Rasmussen. Motion carried four ayes.

Rasmussen moved and Mcdonald seconded action on the consent agenda consisting of approval of the minutes of the regular session held Monday, October 16, 2023; approval of minutes of the special session held Wednesday, November 1, 2023; approval of the October 2023 bills list; approval of the October 2023 Treasurers Report; and approval of a street closure for 7<sup>th</sup> Street from G Ave to H Ave, 7am-7pm, for trolley rides for Main Street Mingle Event on Friday, November 24, 2023. No further discussion, motion carried four ayes.

#### CLAIMS REPORT

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
ADMIN. PETTY CASH	SUPPLIES	39.11
ADVANTAGE ADMINISTRATORS	PARTIAL SELF FUND	5295.80
AFLAC	AFLAC- PRE-TAX	510.66
AG SOURCE COOP SERVICES	SERVICES	1560.20
AIRGAS USA	OXYGEN	322.66
ALLIANT ENERGY	UTILITIES	228.21
AVESIS - FIDELITY SECURITY LIF	VISION	177.26
AXA EQUITABLE	DEFERRED COMP	300.00
DANIEL BANGASSER	CELL PHONE	39.95
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UTILITIES	260.46
BLACKTOP SERVICE CO.	COLD MIX	2002.00
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	MEDS	651.68
JESSICA BRADLEY	REIMBURSEMENT	206.01
BUSINESS FORMS DIVERSIFIED	SUPPLIES	400.53
CENTRAL IOWA DISTRIBUTING	SUPPLIES	228.00
CJ DESIGN CO	FLOWERS	75.00
COOLEY PUMPING, LLC	SERVICES	100.00
DEARBORN NATIONAL	PREMIUMS	124.50
WELLMARK DENTAL	DENTAL INSURANC	551.98
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	22396.40
ELECTRIC SUPPLY-MARSHALLTOWN	BULBS	1080.00
FELD FIRE	PARTS	507.00
G WORKS	LICENSE FEE	3609.00
GALL'S LLC	UNIFORM	63.43
GNB BANK	SUPPLIES	1163.22
GORDON FLESCH COMPANY	SERVICES	25.55
GRUNDY CENTER COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONES	302.23
GRUNDY CENTER UTILITIES	UTILITIES	7708.72
GRUNDY COUNTY MEM HOSPITAL	MEDS	82.52
GRUNDY COUNTY RECORDER	RECORDING	57.00
HAWKEYE ALARM & SIGNAL CORP	SERVICES	645.00
HAWKEYE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	TRAINING	200.00
HEARTLAND CO-OP	FUEL	4291.96

HSA - ABBAS, KENNETH	HEALTH SAVING	270.00
HSA - BANGASSER, DAN	HEALTH SAVING	100.00
HSA - BOWEN, MEL	HEALTH SAVING	100.00
HSA - FLATER, BRAD	HEALTH SAVING	100.00
HSA - GLIEM, DWIGHT	HEALTH SAVING	40.00
HSA - TWYFORD, ALISSA	HEALTH SAVING	38.46
HSA - LUFKIN, KENDRA	HEALTH SAVING	200.00
HSA - MULLER, MICHAEL	HEALTH SAVING	100.00
HSA - SAWYER, KRISTY	HEALTH SAVING	200.00
HSA - SCHMIDT, BRADLEY	HEALTH SAVING	200.00
HSA - WAUGH, KYLE	HEALTH SAVING	23.08
HSA - WILSON, JASON	HEALTH SAVING	100.00
HSA-BUNKERS, BRANDON	HEALTH SAVING	100.00
IA NORTHLAND REG. COUNCIL GOV'	SERVICES	152.52
IOWA ASSOCIATION OF	TRAINING	1348.00
COLLECTION SERVICES CENTER	GARNISHMENT	463.42
IOWA GEMT PAYMENT PROGRAM	SERVICES	639.42
IOWA ONE CALL	EMAILS	94.50
IOWA REGIONAL UTILITIES	WATER	28957.40
IPERS	IPERS REGULAR	15259.82
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	SUPPLIES	217.19
KC POWER SPORTS	BIG GRANT	5310.00
KENDRA LUFKIN	JANITORIAL	425.00
MANATTS	CONCRETE	385.35
MAROON & WHITE, INC	RENT	3757.00
TYLER MCCORMACK	REIMBURSEMENT	24.06
MICROBAC LABORATORIES, INC	SERVICES	46.50
MID AMERICAN PUBLISHING COR	NOTICES	354.23
MIKE MULLER	REIMBURSEMENT	150.00
NAPA AUTO PARTS	PARTS	469.38
NAPA AUTO PARTS - REINBECK	PARTS	343.98
OFF FIRE, LLC	SERVICES	214.16
PANELESS WINDOWS & MORE	SERVICES	54.75
PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL	SERVICES	95.04
POSTMASTER GRUNDY CENTER	STAMPS	660.00
PRECISION LAWN CARE	SERVICES	5529.17
REC GRUNDY COUNTY	UTILITIES	159.08
RITE ENVIRONMENTAL, INC	SERVICES	26217.91
ROB'S HEATING AND COOLING	SERVICES	80.00
ROUSE MOTOR	SERVICES	200.65
SAM'S CLUB	SUPPLIES	1107.18
KRISTY SAWYER	REIMBURSEMENT	420.76
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY AR	SERVICES	529.00
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	STATE TAXES	3044.14
STOREY KENWORTHY	SUPPLIES	188.57
SUMMERS' ENTERPRISE INC	SERVICES	214066.15
TREASURER-STATE OF IA	WET TAX	4506.60

US CELLULAR	CELL PHONES	203.53
USABLUBOOK	SUPPLIES	89.93
VAN WALL EQUIPMENT GC	EQUIPMENT	9100.00
VERIZON	SERVICES	80.02
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS B S	HEALTH INS	24046.79
WINDSTREAM IOWA	TELEPHONES	14.60
YOUTH SPORTS FOUNDATION	DUES	3000.00
Accounts Payable Total		444394.45
Payroll Checks		71362.40
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		515756.85

October 2023 Expenditures per fund: General: \$84654; American Rescue Plan Funds: \$24789; Road Use Tax: \$9571; Employee Benefits: \$25041; Local Option Sales Tax: \$24664; Community Betterment Fund: \$5381; Equipment Reserve PW Fund: \$9100; Library Gift Trust: \$984; Continuing Projects: \$220505; Water Fund: \$43174; Water Reserves Fund: \$4650; Sanitary Sewer Fund: \$20121; Sanitary Sewer Reserves Fund: \$15800; Sanitation Fund: \$29911; Ambulance Fund: \$20724; Storm Sewer Fund: \$1020; Total: \$560090.

October 2023 Revenues per fund: General: \$530152; Road Use Tax: \$31391; Employee Benefits Fund: \$146501; Emergency Fund: \$10717; Local Option Sales Tax: \$24664; TIF Fund: \$73031; Community Betterment Fund: \$12332; Equipment Reserve PW Fund: \$425; Fire Equipment Reserve Fund: \$4535; Fire Department Gift Fund: \$100; Library Gift Trust: \$1350; Debt Service Fund: \$98225; Water Fund: \$59706; Water Reserve Sinking Fund: \$4650; Sanitary Sewer Fund: \$57378; Sewer Sinking fund: \$15800; Sanitation Fund: \$33604; Ambulance Fund: \$34757; Storm Sewer: \$3930; Total: \$1143247.

Mayor Eberline introduced Eric Willis, Assured Partners, for a presentation on benefits and health insurance renewal. Willis commented that the City has received a decrease in health insurance premiums for 2024. Personnel Committee and Willis recommends renewing with Wellmark with current policies and health savings account benefit amounts. Discussion was held on increasing life insurance and short/long term disability benefits. Currently City offers \$10,000 life insurance policy for the employee; \$10,000 for employee AD&D; dependent life and child policy. Willis collected an estimate for increasing life insurance and AD&D to \$25,000 per employee with The Standard for an addition \$800 per year. Discussion was also held on short- and long-term disability policies, which the City does not offer at this time. However, the employee paid may be an option. Smith moved and Mcdonald seconded action to discontinue the life insurance with Dearborn National and sign on with The Standard policy for City paid life insurance to be increased to \$25,000 per employee. No further discussion, motion carried three ayes (Smith, Mcdonald and Kuester) and one abstain (Rasmussen).

Mcdonald moved and Smith seconded action on Resolution 2023-79, a resolution to approve the contract for services for health insurance coverage with Wellmark for calendar year 2024. No further discussion, motion carried three ayes (Mcdonald, Smith and Kuester) and one abstain (Rasmussen).

Rasmussen moved and Kuester seconded action on Resolution 2023-75, to approve a BIG Grant for Jill Krausman, IA Landmark Properties, LLC, 805 G Avenue for façade repairs and overhead doors, previously tabled. No further discussion, motion carried four ayes.

Kuester moved and Rasmussen seconded action on Resolution 2023-80, a resolution amending Resolution 2023-78 previously accepted bid on the City Hall steps and retaining wall project. Kuester commented that reference and pictures received did not show the work the City is needing accomplished and also explained the process given by Precision Landscape involving digging back 3-4 feet closer the building to tie the landscaping block back with geogrid material. No further discussion, motion carried to four ayes.

Mayor Eberline opened discussion on hiring for vacant police officer position and possible take action to publish help wanted ad. Chief Twyford explained the previous ad had expired and the need to hire the fifth officer that was budgeted is still there. Chief Twyford explained to start the testing process we need to advertise for applications and hold interviews. Discussion was held on police department budget regarding vehicle repairs and larger expenses. Smith moved and Mcdonald seconded action to proceed with publishing the help wanted ad for the vacant fifth police officer position. No further discussion, motion carried four ayes.

Mayor Eberline opened the public forum at 7:06pm. No public comments, public forum closed at 7:07pm.

Finance Committee/Clerk commented on election day tomorrow, November 7, 2023; City Hall closed on Friday, November 10, 2023, for observance of Veterans Day; and upcoming work session for TIF training with Maggie Burger, Speer Financial.

Public Safety Committee commented on uptick in mental health related calls in the last week.

Public Works Committee commented on the rate survey from Clapsaddle Garber & Associates, Inc, continuing with tree removal and curbside leaf pickup.

Smith moved and Rasmussen seconded adjournment of the meeting at 7:15pm. Motion carried four ayes. Next meeting will be Monday, November 20, 2023, at 6:30pm.

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Attest: Kristy Sawyer, City Clerk

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Dr. Paul Eberline, Mayor