

A regular session of the Grundy Center City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, January 8, 2024, in the Council Chambers by Mayor Eberline. Present: Smith, Kuester, Lamp, Rasmussen, and McDonald. Absent: None. Visitors: Dwight Gliem, Lindsey Freese, Emory Bunkers, Kendra Lufkin, Chase Babcock, and Rich Ahlberg. 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/689493149> You can also dial in using your phone.

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Rasmussen moved and Lamp seconded the approval of the meeting agenda with conflicts of interest for item #15. No discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Kuester moved and Smith seconded action on the consent agenda consisting of approval of the minutes of the regular session held Monday, December 18, 2023; approval of the December 2023 bills list; approval of the December 2023 Treasurers Report; and approval of an annual liquor license for Dollar General, 2009 Commerce Drive. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

CLAIMS REPORT

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
ADVANTAGE ADMINISTRATORS	SELF FUND PREMIUM	1566.13
AFLAC	AFLAC- PRE-TAX	510.66
AG SOURCE COOP SERVICES	SERVICES	1601.50
AIRGAS USA	OXYGEN	370.37
ALLIANT ENERGY	UTILITIES	261.84
TAYLOR APPEL	BIG GRANT	7558.00
AVESIS - FIDELITY SECURITY LIF	VISION	177.26
AXA EQUITABLE	DEFERRED COMP	300.00
DANIEL BANGASSER	CELL PHONE	39.95
BEAMAN FIRE	SERVICES	70.00
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UTILITIES	2081.35
BMC AGGREGATES L.C.	SAND/SALT	1168.86
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	MEDS	1534.16
BROTHERS MARKET	SUPPLIES	15.05
BRANDON BUNKERS	REIMBURSEMENT	110.10
CARRICO AQUATIC RESOURCE.	PARTS	1038.30
CARSON, KODI - HSA	HEALTH SAVING	1125.00
CONRAD FIRE	SERVICES	70.00
DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP	PARTS	1455.67
WELLMARK DENTAL	DENTAL INSURANCE	551.98
DES MOINES STAMP MFG CO	SUPPLIES	68.00
CAROL DI ROSA	REFUND	75.00
DIKE FIRE	SERVICES	140.00
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	23543.93
FOX STRAND, INC.	SERVICES	321.00
FREESE TREE SERVICE	SERVICES	1000.00
GNB BANK	SUPPLIES	2152.63
GREGORY CONTAINER INC	DUMPSTERS	9227.00
GRUNDY CENTER COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONES	298.49
GRUNDY CENTER FIRE DEPT	SERVICES	9656.00
GRUNDY CENTER UTILITIES	UTILITIES	8018.71
GRUNDY COUNTY ENGINEER	SERVICES	687.01
GRUNDY COUNTY MEM HOSPITAL	MEDS	574.55

GRUNDY COUNTY RECORDER	FEES	57.00
HEARTLAND CO-OP	FUEL	6391.49
HOLLAND FIRE	SERVICES	140.00
HSA - ABBAS, KENNETH	HEALTH SAVING	270.00
HSA - BAGENSTOS, BROOKE	HEALTH SAVING	562.50
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	1225.00
IMPACT MARKETING	SERVICES	1140.00
COLLECTION SERVICES CENTER	GARNISHMENT	463.42
IOWA FIREFIGHTERS ASSOC	DUES	1087.00
IOWA GEMT PAYMENT PROGRAM	SERVICES	699.33
IOWA ONE CALL	E-MAILS	47.70
IOWA PARKS & RECREATION	TRAINING	175.00
IOWA REGIONAL UTILITIES	WATER	49576.98
IPERS	IPERS REGULAR	15253.27
JETCO	SERVICES	181.25
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	SUPPLIES	398.71
KONKEN ELECTRIC, LLC	SERVICES	151.00
KENDRA LUFKIN	JANITORIAL	425.00
MACQUEEN EQUIPMENT	SERVICES	1500.46
MAROON & WHITE, INC	RENT	3757.00
MICROBAC LABORATORIES, INC	SERVICES	93.00
MID AMERICAN PUBLISHING COR	NOTICES	149.60
NAPA AUTO PARTS	PARTS	167.08
NAPA AUTO PARTS - REINBECK	SERVICES	184.03
NORSOLV	SERVICES	255.95
OFF FIRE, LLC	SERVICES	155.00
SHANE OLTMAN	WAGES 2023	600.00
JASON PAYNE	METERS	1228.00
PESTICIDE BUREAU - IDALS	LICENSES	30.00
WILLIAM PETERS	REFUND	519.69
PHYSICIANS CLAIMS CO	SERVICES	1952.27
PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL	SERVICES	95.04
MARK POHLMANN	REFUND	100.00
PRECISION LAWN CARE	SERVICES	5584.17
RASMUSSEN TOWING INC	SERVICES	350.00
RC SYSTEMS	PARTS	1222.33

REC GRUNDY COUNTY	UTILITIES	118.19
REINBECK FIRE DEPARTMENT	SERVICES	140.00
RITE ENVIRONMENTAL, INC	SERVICES	24621.53
ROUSE MOTOR	SERVICES	53.70
SHIELD PEST CONTROL	SERVICES	75.00
DEAN SHUEY	WAGES 2023	600.00
STANDARD INSURANCE CO	PREMIUMS	232.42
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	STATE TAX	3083.40
TENDER LAWN CARE	MOWING	580.00
TREASURER-STATE OF IA	WET EXCISE TAX	3899.50
UMB BANK NA	FEES	1100.00
UNIFIRST CORPORATION	RUGS	64.21
US CELLULAR	CELL PHONES	203.53
UTILITY EQUIPMENT CO.	PARTS	345.60
UTILITY SERVICE CO INC.	PEDISPHERE	5223.49
VAN HAUEN AUTO & TRUCK REPAIR	SERVICES	9189.30
VAN WALL EQUIPMENT	PARTS	40.99
VERIZON	SERVICES	80.02
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS B S	HEALTH INS	20968.05
WELLSBURG FIRE DEPARTMENT	SERVICES	280.00
ZOLL MEDICALCORPORATION	SERVICES	620.00
Accounts Payable Total		257362.32
Payroll Checks		79929.47
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		337291.79

December 2023 Expenditures per fund: General: \$94934; Road Use Tax: \$12283; Employee Benefits: \$23054; Local Option Sales Tax: \$27067; Community Betterment Fund: \$7629; Library Gift Trust: \$6234; Debt Service Fund: \$1100; Continuing Projects: \$321; Water Fund: \$69750; Water Reserves Fund: \$4650; Sanitary Sewer Fund: \$19728; Sanitary Sewer Reserves Fund: \$15800; Sanitation Fund: \$37010; Ambulance Fund: \$61184; Storm Sewer Fund: \$2438; Total: \$383180.

December 2023 Revenues per fund: General: \$113668; Road Use Tax: \$33676; Employee Benefits Fund: \$15444; Emergency Fund: \$1119; Local Option Sales Tax: \$27067; TIF Fund: \$513; Community Betterment Fund: \$13533; Equipment Reserve PW Fund: \$2186; Fire Equipment Reserve Fund: \$17099; Library Gift Trust: \$769; Park Board Gift Trust: \$965; Ambulance Gift Trust: \$-1101; Debt Service Fund: \$9798; Water Fund: \$52775; Water Reserve Sinking Fund: \$4650; Sanitary Sewer Fund: \$42077; Sewer Sinking fund: \$15800; Sanitation Fund: \$30215; Ambulance Fund: \$40502; Storm Sewer: \$4194; Total: \$424948.

Mayor Eberline acknowledged Dwight Gliem, EMS Director, for his annual department update and budget requests. Gliem discussed wages, ambulance purchase, and increase in revenue once GEMT program begins paying for calls. Lindsay Freese, Library Director, discussed various library service stats, wages, and upcoming building maintenance needs. Kendra Lufkin, Community Center Director, discussed HVAC repairs completed so far this year and needs are now roof project, ceiling soundproof tiles, and flooring. Alissa Twyford, Police Chief, gave department updates on training, employee wages, calls for service, vehicle maintenance and next new squad. No further discussion, no formal action taken.

Rasmussen moved and Lamp seconded action to open a public hearing at 7:25pm on Ordinance 574, an ordinance to raise water rates by 3%. Bangasser commented minimum water rate will increase roughly \$.45. No further public comments. Smith moved and McDonald seconded action to close the public hearing at 7:27pm. No further discussions, motions carried five ayes.

Lamp moved and Kuester seconded action on the First Reading of Ordinance 574, an ordinance amending Chapter 92.02, water rate increase by 3% effective as soon as possible. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Kuester moved and Rasmussen seconded action on the Third Reading of Ordinance 573, an

ordinance amending Chapter 148-Trees to update the list of acceptable trees to be planted within the city limits. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Lamp moved and McDonald seconded action on Resolution 2024-01, a resolution approving the appointments of our Fire Department personnel. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Smith moved and Lamp seconded action on Resolution 2024-02, a resolution designating The Grundy Register as the official newspaper. No discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Rasmussen moved and McDonald seconded action on Resolution 2024-03, a resolution approving the investment policy for 2024. No discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Smith moved and Lamp seconded action on Resolution 2024-04, a resolution naming the depositories for 2024. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

McDonald moved and Smith seconded action on Resolution 2024-05, a resolution to adopt the 2024 Grundy Center Hazard Mitigation Plan update for Grundy County, Iowa. Chase Babcock, Grundy County EMA Coordinator, discussed the process that was done to update this plan. INRCOG wrote and will submit this plan to FEMA and Iowa Homeland Security Department. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Kuester moved and Rasmussen seconded action on Resolution 2024-06, a resolution to award the bid for Community Center mowing & snow removal services. Only bid received was from Precision Lawn Care for three-year contract. Recommendation from Community Center to accept the bid was received. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Smith moved and Lamp seconded action on Resolution 2024-07, a resolution to authorize Mayor Eberline to sign the lease agreement with Maroon & White, Inc. for rental space at the Kids' Campus building. City Attorney reviewed lease and corrected term to state this is a one-year lease however the lease shall automatically renew for a successive one-year period in the event neither party provides written notice of termination to the other party at least 90 days prior to the end of the lease term. No further discussion, motion carried four ayes (Smith, Lamp, Rasmussen and McDonald) and one abstain (Kuester).

Kuester moved and Lamp seconded action to approve annual appointments for one-year terms ending December 31, 2024: Dan Bangasser, Public Works Director; Kristy Sawyer, City Clerk/Treasurer; Alissa Twyford, Police Chief; Nathan Kappel, Fire Chief; Seth Schroeder, City Attorney; Jerry Smith, Zoning Administrator/Building Inspector. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Mayor Eberline opened the public forum at 7:40pm. Rich Ahlberg, on junk cars ordinance. No further discussion, public forum closed at 7:45pm.

Finance Committee/Clerk commented on more annual budget updates at next meeting and Grundy County Memorial Hospital Sneak Peak this Thursday, January 11, 2024, 4-6pm.

Public Safety Committee commented on letter received LaRae Stedman, on behalf of Grundy Center families, regarding a request for a fulltime SRO (School Resource Officer) to be added to the Grundy Center Community Schools. Mayor Eberline commented that discussions have occurred with Robert Hughes, Superintendent of Grundy Center Community Schools, regarding this and working on a plan. Many discussions and more information will follow. No formal action taken at this time.

Public Works Committee commented on next fiscal year budgets and upcoming snow removal.

Smith moved and Rasmussen seconded adjournment of the meeting at 8:00pm. Motion carried five ayes. Next meeting will be Monday, January 15, 2024, at 6:30pm.

Attest: Kristy Sawyer, City Clerk

Dr. Paul Eberline, Mayor