

The Jewell City Council met in Regular Session Monday, March 25, 2024 at the Jewell City Hall starting at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Mickey Walker called the meeting to order with Council Members: Loyal Winborn, Scott Rohloff, Aaron Boor, Steve Butler, and Chris Gunderson present. City Attorney Justin Deppe was also in attendance.

**APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:** Gunderson made a motion to approve the consent agenda which included:

- Approval of the agenda for March 27, 2024
- Claims for March 27, 2024
- Approval of minutes from March 11, 2024

Winborn seconded the motion. Roll Call 5—0. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 24-15 AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A LOAN AGREEMENT, PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$ 995,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION CORPORATE PURPOSE BONDS, SERIES 2024, AND PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES TO PAY THE SAME:** Winborn made a motion to approve Resolution 24-15 which authorizes and approves the loan of the bond. Gunderson seconded the motion. Roll Call 5—0. Motion carried.

#### **RICK YOUNG**

- **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT HOUSING:** Rick Young is collaborating with Webster City in an attempt to bring housing developers back to Hamilton County and curb the 1% annual population loss rural communities have annually in Iowa.
- **DRAINAGE DISTRICT:** There are five drainage districts in Jewell, the city has taken over control of four, the county is asking the fifth one to be taken over as well. The auditors would continue to help with the drainage district, but decisions would be controlled by the city. The Council will discuss further at the first meeting in April.

**WATER MAIN EAST LANE:** Nick Fredricksen, from ISG, spoke with the Council and Mayor regarding replacing the water main on East Lane. There have been four breaks in 250 feet on East Lane. Boor made a motion to hire ISG engineering to prepare drawings and specs for a DNR permit for the upgrading of approximately 730 ft' of water main on the north end of East Lane. Butler seconded the motion. Roll Call 5—0. Motion carried.

**CITY INSURANCE:** The city insurance is set to be renewed April 1, 2024. The Council will review insurance once a cost breakdown is received.

**POOL MANAGER:** Butler made a motion to approve the hiring of Lori Vincent as Jewell's pool manager for the 2024 season at a rate of \$15.50/hour. Rohloff seconded the motion. Roll Call 5—0. Motion carried.

**SOUTH HAMILTON WATER BILL:** One of the meters at the high school had a high water bill which was thought to have been a result of debris in the water line. Public works has been flushing in an attempt to clear the line out. Boor made a motion to adjust the high bill to the average usage of the last 13 months, which was \$966.81 and removes \$2337.90 from the bill. Rohloff seconded the motion. Winborn abstained due to being employed at the school. Roll Call 4—0. Motion carried.

**2024-2025 BUDGET DISCRETIONARY EXPENDITURES REVIEW:** The Council and Mayor came prepared to make some difficult decisions in order to make the budget work for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. They reviewed and made final decisions on the following discretionary items within the budget:

- Sheriff: It was reasoned that since Jewell has the EJS police department which works 80 hours out of at 168 week, roughly half of the time, that the city of Jewell would pay 50% of the requested amount from the sheriff's office. The Sheriff requested \$24,320 for 2024-2025 and Jewell will pay them \$12,160.
- YSS: The Council decided to give them the requested amount of \$1,000.
- Upper Des Moines: The Council decided to give them the requested amount of \$775.
- Montgomery Memorial Library: The Council decided to give them \$68,000, requested amount was \$76,822.
- JADE: Council decided to give \$30,000, requested amount was \$45,000.
- Recreational Sports: \$4,500 will be budgeted for the kid's recreational sports leagues.

**CLEAR LAKE SAILORS 5K:** Butler made a motion to approve the Clear Lake Sailor’s 5K event which will take place August 24<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. The route is the same as last year. EJS police will assist at the intersection of HWY 69 and 340<sup>th</sup> street. Gunderson seconded the motion. Roll Call 5—0. Motion carried.

**SIDEWALK ORDINANCE REVIEW:** the ordinance will be reviewed on the April 8 council meeting.

**ADJOURN:** Rohloff made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gunderson seconded the motion. Roll Call 5—0. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

03/25/2024 CLAIMS

IRS	TAXES	\$2,736.07
POSTMASTER	POLICE MAILING	\$13.65
STAPLES	COPY PAPER	\$39.99
IRS	TAXES	\$2,780.12
IPERS COLLECTIONS	IPERS	\$3,732.12
ALLIANT ENERGY	CITY ENERGY	\$5,676.88
AMERICAN SANITATION	RECYCLING	\$1,604.00
CARGILL INC	SALT	\$6,137.41
CASEYS BUSINESS	ROADS FUEL	\$94.23
CORNWELL FRIDERER MAHER	ANNUAL EXAMINATION FEE	\$2,850.00
DIGITAL ALLY	VIDEO SUBSCRIPTION PROGRAM	\$1,887.00
HAWKINS INC	CHLORINE	\$10.00
I & S GROUP, INC.	OPERATOR SERVICES MONTHLY FEE	\$1,700.00
IA ASSN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	WATER MEMBER DUES	\$794.00
IMFOA	IMFOA DUES 12383 BENEFITTED	\$200.00
IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT	LEO IN SERVICE TRAINING MORTON	\$10.00
J & T TRUCK AND TRAILER	BRAKE CHAMBER, BRAKE DRUM, BRAKE	\$463.59
MARC	FOAMING ROOT CONTROL	\$370.40
MIDLAND POWER COOP	SECURITY LIGHTS	\$17.66
PREMIER	PRINTER CONTRACT	\$152.49
RESPONDER DATA	DATA MANAGEMENT	\$2,024.00
TERRY ANDERSON	DW TREATMENT-1 OPERATOR	\$30.00
USABLUEBOOK	HYDRANT DIFFUSER, HYDRANT	\$719.38
VERIZON WIRELESS	ROADS, POLICE CELL PHONE	\$224.53
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS BLUE	EMPLOYEE INSURANCE	\$4,087.05
EMPLOYEE	WAGES	\$10,076.87
TOTAL		\$48,431.44