

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2023, 6:00 P.M.
CHEROKEE CITY HALL**

A regular meeting was called to order on this date by Mayor Schmidt. Roll call: Present: Councilpersons Brown, Loughlin, Pingel, Wigginton, City Administrator List, and City Clerk-Treasurer Lucas. Absent Wilberding.

Motion by Wigginton, seconded by Pingel to approve the agenda with the addition of 3.05 Resolution 2023-09, a Resolution Supporting the Submittal of a Grant Application for STBG Projects. Motion carried.

At 6:01 p.m., Mayor Schmidt opened the public hearing on the FY 23-24 Proposed Maximum Property Tax Levy. As there was no oral or written comments, the hearing was closed at 6:02 p.m.

Motion by Pingel, seconded by Loughlin to approve Resolution 2023-05, a Resolution Approving FY 23-24 Maximum Property Tax Dollars from Certain Levies. The total maximum levy for the affected property tax levies is \$2,421,024. Roll call: AYES: Brown, Loughlin, Pingel, Wigginton. NAYES: None.

Motion by Pingel, seconded by Wigginton to approve Resolution 2023-06, a Resolution Approving Service with Cherokee Area Economic Development. Roll call: AYES: Brown, Pingel, Wigginton. NAYES: None. Loughlin abstained.

Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Brown to deny Resolution 2023-07, a Resolution Approving Service with Cherokee Chamber of Commerce. Roll call was: AYES: Loughlin, Brown. NAYES: Pingel, Wigginton.

Motion by Pingel, seconded by Wigginton to table Resolution 2023-07, a Resolution Approving service with Cherokee Chamber of Commerce for further discussion. Roll call was: AYES: Brown, Pingel, Wigginton. NAYES: Loughlin.

Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Pingel to approve Resolution 2023-08, a Resolution Approving Service with Cherokee Regional Medical Center-Fitness Center. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wigginton to approve Resolution 2023-09, a Resolution Supporting the Submittal of a Grant Application through the Siouland Regional Transportation Planning Association for Funding for the Surface Transport Block Grant (STBG) Projects. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Consent Agenda

On a motion by Wigginton, seconded by Loughlin, the following was approved under Consent Agenda. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

City Council Minutes of January 24, 2023 (Regular & Budget Workshop).

January Police Report.

Cherokee Trails Phase II – CO 2 and Pay App #5.

Seatbelt Restraint Policy.

Approve Tax Abatement for 112 S. 7th St. – Cosgrove Investments.

Approve Tax Abatement for 602 Clark St. – Cosgrove Investments.

Review Park & Rec Minutes of February 6, 2023.

January Treasurer's Report and Receipts as follows: General \$363,250.52; Police Forfeiture \$1,403.94; County Library \$1,006.84; Road Use \$51,491.37; Employee Benefits \$18,439.21; Emergency \$1,063.41; Other Street Monies/Local Option Sales Tax \$77,895.06; Hotel/Motel Tax \$82.41; Tax Increment

Financing \$9,340.10; Wilson School Reserve \$0; Library Memorial \$446.98; Park & Rec Capital Improvement \$55.95; Cemetery Special Care \$2.06; Debt Service (\$738,591.67); 2016 Capital Projects \$0; Willow St. Bridge \$300,000; Hwy 59 Storm SW/Sidewalk \$200,000; American Rescue Funds \$365.33; Emergency Set-Aside \$67.05; Euclid St. Reconstruction \$100,000; Oak Hill Perpetual Care \$0; Water Utility \$69,299.37; Water Utility – Industrial \$14.76; Water Main Project Bond & Interest \$5,114.00; Water System Maintenance \$9,960.12; Sewer Utility \$111,006.37; Sewer Facility Bond & Interest \$24,008.00; Sewer System Maintenance \$9,174.77; CDBG Sanitary Sewer Euclid/Spruce \$50; Aviation Authority \$590.79; Solid Waste \$31,956.19; Landfill \$30,070.60; Storm Sewer Utility \$7,046.43; Self-Insurance \$58.27; Police Dept. Special Acct \$0.

Bills totaling \$198,012.76

ADRIE DUCOMMUN	BASKETBALL REFEREE	\$50.00
AGSTATE	FUEL	\$6,234.45
AL'S CORNER OIL CO.	FUEL	\$160.65
ALLIANT ENERGY	NATURAL GAS	\$2,454.38
ALTA IMPLEMENT CO., INC.	CUTTING EDGE	\$710.52
AURORA CHRISTENSEN	BASKETBALL REFEREE	\$50.00
AXON ENTERPRISE INC.	HOLSTER	\$104.80
BAKER & TAYLOR INC.	BOOKS	\$797.72
BECK ENGINEERING, INC.	EUCLID AVE. BOX CULVERT	\$4,660.00
BECK ENGINEERING, INC.	CURB & GUTTER IMP.	\$1,010.00
BECK ENGINEERING, INC.	COUNTRY CLUB EST. 2ND ADD.	\$15,037.50
BECK ENGINEERING, INC.	ROOSEVELT, MAPLE, WILLOW, ENGINEERING.	\$2,655.00
BILL MORGAN	2/23 CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT	\$35.00
BLAINE'S WATER CONDITIONING	SOFTNER SALT, COOLER RENT, WATER	\$341.00
BOJI PORTABLE TOILETS	SPOT A POT	\$140.00
BOMGAARS	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$1,875.40
BRITTON KINNAMAN	NAMETAPE REIMBURSEMENT	\$20.62
C-M-L TELEPHONE	TELEPHONE & INTERNET	\$1,120.16
CAHOY PUMP SERVICE, INC.	WELL NO. 8	\$17,806.00
CASEY CARPENTER	2/23 CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT	\$35.00
CHAMPION ELECTRIC, INC.	SL MAINTENANCE & LIB. ELEC. UNHOOK	\$356.96
CHEM-SULT, INC.	POTASSIUM & PHOSPHATE	\$3,441.30
CHEROKEE CHRONICLE TIMES	LEGAL PUBLICATION & LIB. RENEWAL	\$359.43
CHEROKEE CO. SOLID WASTE	1/23 ASSESSMENT	\$29,688.51
CHEROKEE FIRE DPT.	VOLUNTEER FIREMAN PAYROLL	\$800.00
CHEROKEE NAPA	AIR FILTERS	\$59.01
CHEROKEE REGIONAL MED. CENTER	PRE-EMPLOYMENT SCREENING	\$320.00
CHEROKEE ROTARY CLUB	MEALS/DUES	\$174.35
CHRIS HORTON	2/23 CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT	\$35.00
CHRISTIAN VANDER BROEK	BASKETBALL REFEREE	\$60.00
CLARK EQUIPMENT	BOBCAT PARTS	\$3,768.83
CORE & MAIN	WATER SUPPLIES	\$821.70
COUNTRY TIRE & SERVICE	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$998.96
CRAIG SCHMIDT	LEAGUE OF CITIES/SIMPCO MILEAGE	\$156.54
CULLY MIZNER-FUNDERMANN	BASKETBALL REFEREE	\$60.00
DUANE MUMMERT	2/23 CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT	\$35.00
ERIC LIST	2/23 CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT	\$50.00
FAREWAY STORES, INC.	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$19.47
FASTLANE MOTOR PARTS	CLEANER	\$146.90
FELD FIRE	TRUCK EQUIPMENT	\$1,972.78
FOUNDATION ANALYTICAL LAB	WATER & WASTE WATER SAMPLES	\$409.50
GOOD HOUSEKEEPING	SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL	\$15.97
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL SVS	COPY CONTRACT	\$96.85
GREGG COMPUTER SERVICE	HP LAPTOP COMPUTER	\$975.00

HALLETT MATERIALS	ICE CONTROL SAND & GRAVEL	\$4,105.21
HEIDI ELLIS	VOLLEYBALL REFEREE	\$90.00
HY-VEE, INC.	MISC. CHARGES	\$66.00
IMFOA	FY24 MEMBER DUES	\$50.00
INGRAM BOOK COMPANY	BOOKS	\$27.48
IOWA LAKES ELECTRIC COOP	ELECTRICITY	\$95.00
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	\$57.60
JACK'S UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT	TACLITE PRO PANT	\$54.95
JAIMYNA SANTIER	UTILITY DEPOSIT REFUND	\$68.61
JANITOR'S CLOSET, LTD.	PAPER TOWELS	\$143.50
JON SCHUBERT	HAUL SNOW	\$1,125.00
KALEXIS HYNDMAN	VOLLEYBALL REFEREE	\$60.00
KENNA MONGAN	BASKETBALL REFEREE	\$50.00
KRISTI EBEL	VOLLEYBALL REFEREE	\$90.00
KURITA AMERICA INC.	KURIFLOC	\$9,168.16
LIBRARY FURNITURE INT.	COMPUTER TABLE/CHAIRS	\$4,227.45
LUKE GRAVENISH	2/23 CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT	\$50.00
M.O.C.I.C.	2023 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP	\$100.00
MADISON DUHN	YC REFUND DUE TO WEATHER	\$100.00
MALLISON & WALDNER LLC	SNOW REMOVAL	\$990.00
MARX TRAILER	RATCHET STRAPS	\$168.00
MCKENNA BENSON	BASKETBALL REFEREE	\$50.00
MID AMERICAN ENERGY	ELECTRICITY	\$1,229.94
MID-AMERICAN BENEFITS, INC	2/23 HRA ADMIN FEE & CLAIMS	\$1,938.50
MIDWEST TECHNOLOGY SERVICE	DOWNLOADED VIDEO TO USB	\$212.50
MILLS & MILLER INC.	DEICING SALT	\$6,560.25
MODERN HEATING & COOLING	FILTERS AND INSTALL	\$212.96
MOTOR PARTS SALES	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$178.31
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC.	WATER SUPPLIES	\$1,748.20
NATE JAMES	2/23 CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT	\$50.00
NORTHWEST IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	LEAGUE MEETING	\$20.00
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE STORES	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$92.82
ONE OFFICE SOLUTION	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$377.86
REHAB SYSTEMS, INC.	CLEANING MANHOLES ON 59/JET VAC 59	\$1,628.75
RUPP MANUFACTURING	WELD, TUBE, PLATE	\$410.20
SANITARY SERVICES	1/23 GARBAGE PICK UP	\$29,057.55
SARA LUCAS	2/23 CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT	\$35.00
SCE, LLC	GRAVES & HAULING SNOW	\$3,110.00
SCE, LLC	WATER MAIN REPAIRS & 800 BIRCH CURB STOP	\$4,239.71
SETH THILL	BOOT REIMBURSEMENT	\$150.00
SHELLY HAHN	CLEANING SUPPLIES	\$16.07
SIoux SALES COMPANY	PD EQUIPMENT	\$208.55
STEVE'S WINDOW SERVICE	CLEAN WINDOWS	\$110.00
STORM LAKE HYDRAULICS	RESEAL CYLINDER	\$243.20
TAYLOR CHRISTENSEN	BASKETBALL REFEREE	\$50.00
THE BOOK VINE	BOOKS	\$253.14
TODD LARSEN	2/23 CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT	\$35.00
TODD MILLER	2/23 CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT	\$35.00
TOM MUMMERT	HAUL SNOW	\$1,375.00
TREASURER, STATE OF IOWA	1/23 SALES & EXCISE TAX	\$4,503.40
TYLER EBEL	VOLLEYBALL REFEREE	\$90.00
TYLER HAHN	REIMBURSEMENTS	\$403.81
U.S. BANK	MISC. CHARGES	\$1,732.02
UNITYPOINT CLINIC-OCC.	RANDOM SELECTS	\$126.00
USA BLUE BOOK	ELECTRODE STORAGE SOLUTION	\$206.41

USPS	UTILITY BILL POSTAGE	\$441.50
VEENSTRA & KIMM, INC.	BEECH ST.	\$3,727.27
VEENSTRA & KIMM, INC.	2021 BRIDGE RATING	\$6,952.51
VERIZON WIRELESS	HOT SPOTS, CELL PHONES, IPAD	\$535.49
VISUAL EDGE IT	COPY OVERAGE	\$106.51
WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL LEASE	COPIER LEASE	\$207.00
WEX BANK	FUEL	\$4,175.11
WIESE OIL & SUPPLY CO.	PROPANE	\$170.00

Two bids were received for audit services for FY 23, 24, 25 as follows: T.P. Anderson & Co., Humboldt IA - \$54,500; Winther Stave & Co., Spencer IA - \$113,500. Motion by Brown, seconded by Pingel to accept the low bid of T.P. Anderson & Co. Humboldt IA. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

It was previously discussed to look at the options of completing curb and gutter replacement projects within the city. The Public Works Department worked with Beck Engineering to start the review of the NW section of the city to determine sections and amounts of curb and gutters that could be replaced. The included project includes installation and/or replacement of almost 19,500 feet of curb and gutters. Consensus of the council was to proceed with the project as the curb and gutters are only getting worse.

Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wigginton to set the public hearing on the FY 2023-24 budget for Tuesday, March 14, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wigginton to approve a sewer charge reduction on a utility bill for Dan Robinson, 220 Euclid Ave. pending confirmation from SCE Construction. Robinson had a frozen water line on the porch, causing water to run into the pea gravel under the porch, therefore the water used did not go into the sewer system. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Shauna Soete Esquivel, 742 Sumner St. presented a request for a stop sign at the corner of Park Avenue and Sumner Street. No action was taken.

Duane Mummert, Parks Superintendent presented two quotes for two new Bad Boy mowers, and trading in a John Deere mower and two older Bad Boy mowers. Motion by Brown, seconded by Pingel to keep the John Deere mower and trade in the two older Bad Boy mowers for two new Bad Boy mowers. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

The Overland Group, LLC, has requested to purchase the city parking lot on East Main Street for a new retail store. Consensus of the council was not to sell the parking lot at this time, as it is not in the best interest of the city.

On a motion by Loughlin, seconded by Pingel, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Media Present: *None*

Craig Schmidt, Mayor
 ATTEST:
 Sara Lucas
 City Clerk-Treasurer