

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2024, 6:00 P.M.  
CHEROKEE CITY HALL**

A regular meeting was called to order on this date by Mayor Schmidt. Roll call: Present: Councilpersons Loughlin, Nitz, Pingel, Wilberding, Wych, City Administrator Letsche, and City Clerk-Treasurer Lucas. Absent None.

Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wilberding to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

At 6:05 p.m., Mayor Schmidt opened a public hearing for the FY 24/25 Proposed Budget. As there was no oral or written comments, the hearing was closed at 6:06 p.m.

Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wych, to approve Resolution 2024-17, a Resolution Adopting the Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-25. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

At 6:07 p.m., Mayor Schmidt opened a public hearing on the Cherokee Lift Station Relocation Project. Chad Kehrt, Veenstra & Kimm Inc. was present to review the plans for the Cherokee Lift Station Relocation Project. As there was no oral or written comments, the hearing was closed at 6:11 p.m.

At 6:12 p.m., Mayor Schmidt opened a public hearing on the State Revolving Loan Fund. As there was no oral or written comments, the hearing was closed at 6:13 p.m.

Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Pingel, to table Resolution 2024-18, a Resolution of Desire to Dispose of Real Property and to authorize the Clerk to advertise for bids. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

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

Approve City Council Minutes of April 9, 2024.

Approve City Council Minutes of April 9, 2024 Proposed Property Tax Levy

Approve Ownership Change for Pub Bar and Grill LLC.

Approve Municipal Supply invoice.

Approve Special Class C Retail Alcohol License for Cherokee PRCA Rodeo.

Approve Class E Retail Alcohol License for Casey's General Store #3037.

Approve Mayor Committee Appointments.

Bills totaling \$89,011.95

AGSTATE	GRASS SEED	\$80.00
ALEX AIR APPARATUS, INC.	REPAIR COMPRESSOR	\$802.47
ALLIANT ENERGY	NATURAL GAS	\$3,711.65
AUTOMATIC BUILDING CONTROL	ANNUAL FIRE ALARM CHECK	\$1,127.00
BAKER & TAYLOR INC.	BOOKS	\$449.23
BECK ENGINEERING, INC.	LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	\$4,760.00
BUILDERS SHARP. & SERVICE	GRASSHOPPER TRADE INS & SUPPLIES	\$7,052.60
C-M-L TELEPHONE	PHONE & INTERNET	\$327.03
CHAMPION ELECTRIC, INC.	ELECTRIC REPAIR	\$126.90
CHEROKEE AVIATION AUTHORITY	4/24 PROPERTY TAX DRAW	\$6,470.38
CHEROKEE CHRONICLE TIMES	LEGAL PUBLICATION	\$1,026.09
CHEROKEE TRUCK & TRAILER	REPAIRED AIR BRAKE LEAK	\$225.39

CONCRETE PRODUCTS CO.	CONCRETE	\$1,095.40
CORE & MAIN LP	CHEMICALS	\$152.70
D.I.A.L. ELEVATOR SAFETY BUREAU	ELEVATOR INSPECTION & PERMIT	\$175.00
DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP	GRATES, FRAMES, CURB GUARDS	\$5,754.96
DEB DUNN	SETOFF REIMBURSE D.MCKINLEY	\$203.00
DES MOINES PUBLIC LIBRARY	BOOK REPLACEMENT COST	\$39.99
DURO-LAST SERVICE CENTER	SERVICE TO INSPECT ROOF	\$187.50
FOUNDATION ANALYTICAL LAB	WATER & WASTEWATER SAMPLES	\$627.50
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL	COPY CONTRACT	\$190.21
HAWKINS, INC.	CHEMICALS	\$80.00
HY-VEE, INC.	WATER	\$13.96
IOWA FIRE CONTROL, LLC	FIRE ALARM MONITORING AT YACHT CLUB	\$90.00
IOWA LAKES ELECTRIC COOP	ELECTRICITY	\$84.93
JANITOR'S CLOSET, LTD.	COMPACT DISPENSER	\$29.17
KCHE AM & FM RADIO	TEXT CLUB RENEWAL	\$420.00
KRISTI EBEL	BASKETBALL REFEREE	\$150.00
MID AMERICAN ENERGY	ELECTRICITY	\$23,085.16
MID-AMERICAN BENEFITS, INC	CLAIMS THROUGH 4/17/24	\$817.85
MODERN HEATING & COOLING	TOILET, SINK, FAUCETS & INSTALL C.CENTER	\$3,966.74
MOTION PICTURE LICENSING C	MOVIE LICENSE	\$176.61
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC.	WATER SUPPLIES	\$11,712.18
ONE OFFICE SOLUTION	CONTRACT BILLING	\$40.80
R.J. THOMAS MFG. CO., INC.	STREET DECALS	\$480.00
SARA LUCAS	MILEAGE TO/FROM IMFOA D. MOINES	\$256.61
SCHOON CONSTRUCTION, INC.	JANUARY SNOW REMOVAL & TRUCK REPAIRS	\$6,211.84
SHELLY HAHN	SUPPLY REIMBURSEMENT	\$79.84
SIOUX VALLEY FAMILY HEALTH	IMMUNIZATIONS/AT	\$135.00
STEVE'S WINDOW SERVICE	CLEAN WINDOWS	\$141.00
THE BOOK VINE	BOOKS	\$1,798.46
TODD LARSEN	MILEAGE TO/FROM APWA DES MOINES	\$243.88
TYLER EBEL	BASKETBALL REFEREE	\$150.00
U.S. BANK	MISC. CHARGES	\$1,710.59
UNUM LIFE INS. CO OF AMERICA	5/24 LIFE & DISABILITY INS.	\$1,359.60
USPS	UTILITY BILL POSTAGE	\$480.33
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONES/IPAD	\$381.85
WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL LEASING	COPIER LEASE	\$144.00
YOUR FLEETCARD PROGRAM	PARK FUEL	\$186.55

Letsche presented a purchase offer from John P. Loughlin for a property located at 400 N. 1<sup>st</sup> St. Motion by Wilberding, seconded by Wych to consider the presented purchase offer. Roll call: AYES: Nitz, Pingel, Wilberding, Wych. NAYES: None. Loughlin abstained.

Motion by Pingel, seconded by Nitz, to set a public hearing for Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 6:00 p.m., in City Council Chambers regarding the sale of a lot located at 400 N. 1<sup>st</sup> St. Roll call: AYES: Nitz, Pingel, Wiberding, Wych. NAYES: None. Loughlin abstained.

The MHI committee reported that they have outlined three different options for purchasing the MHI property. Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wych to advise the committee to continue the discussion with the State, and present a proposal to the City Council. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wych to approve promoting Todd Larsen, Street Foreman to a salaried position with a salary of \$74,680, and Todd Miller, Water Foreman to a salaried position with a salary of \$79,979 beginning May 3, 2024. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wilberding, the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Media Present: *Erin Rydgren, Cherokee Chronicle Times*

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Craig Schmidt, Mayor

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Sara Lucas  
City Clerk-Treasurer