

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 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-by phone, Loughlin, Pingel, Wigginton, Wilberding, City Administrator List, and City Clerk-Treasurer Lucas. Absent: None.

Motion by Wigginton, seconded by Loughlin to approve the agenda. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

At 6:01 p.m. Mayor Schmidt opened the public hearing for Country Club Estates 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition. As there was no oral or written comments, the hearing was closed at 6:02 p.m.

Motion by Wigginton, seconded by Loughlin to approve Resolution 2023-14, a Resolution Approving Plans and Specifications, Form of Contract, and Estimated Cost of the Project for the 2023 City of Cherokee Country Club Estates 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition Project. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

There were 7 bids opened for the Country Club Estates 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition Project, the engineers estimate for the project was \$617,700. Bids included Solsma Excavating & Tiling \$594,605, Bainbridge Construction, LLC \$621,821, Hulstein Excavating, Inc. \$665,927, Smith Concrete Service, Inc. \$677,904.50, SuBSurfco, LLC \$683,542.75, Vander Pol Excavating, LLC \$693,736.92, SCE, LLC \$694,242. Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Pingel to approve the low bid from Solsma Excavating & Tiling of \$594,605. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Motion by Brown, seconded by Pingel to approve Resolution 2023-13, a Resolution Approving Service with Cherokee Chamber of Commerce. Roll call was: AYES: Brown, Pingel, Wigginton, Wilberding. NAYES: Loughlin.

On a motion by Wigginton, seconded by Wilberding, the following was approved under Consent Agenda. Rolla Call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

City Council Minutes of April 11, 2023.

Acceptance of Tobacco Violation Settlement Agreement-Kimmies Enterprises, LLC.

Approve Planning and Zoning Minutes of April 17, 2023.

Approve Special Use Permit-Stan Maurer, 1610 W. Main St.

Bills totaling \$98,838.74

AGSTATE	FUEL	\$2,499.18
ALLIANT ENERGY	NATURAL GAS	\$4,405.35
ANGRY BEAVER STUMP GRINDING	STUMP GRINDING	\$387.00
BOMGAARS	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$901.45
CARROLL CONSTRUCTION SUPPLY	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$44.40
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS	TONER	\$113.44
CHAMPION ELECTRIC, INC.	STREET LIGHT REPAIRS	\$321.86
CHEROKEE AVIATION AUTHORITY	4/23 PROPERTY TAX DRAW	\$8,576.87
CHEROKEE CHRONICLE TIMES	LEGAL PUBLICATION	\$126.60
CHEROKEE POLICE RESERVES	'23 ISRLOA CONFERENCE/TRAINING	\$1,869.52
CHEROKEE RODEO, INC.	TOURISM GRANT	\$5,000.00
CHRIS TOFTENBERG	INCOME OFFSET REIMBURSEMENT	\$232.00

COUNTRY TIRE & SERVICE	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$908.97
CROUCH RECREATION, INC.	POOL REPAIR	\$2,335.20
DOLLAR GENERAL-REGIONS	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$25.50
FAREWAY STORES, INC.	MISC. SUPPLIES	\$31.44
FIRE SERVICE TRAINING BUREAU	VOLUNTEER CERTIFICATION FEES	\$250.00
HALLETT MATERIALS	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$1,812.15
HAWKINS, INC.	LAB SUPPLIES	\$90.00
HY-VEE, INC.	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$76.97
HYVEE CATERING	ACADEMY MEALS	\$2,361.52
I & S GROUP, INC.	WATER SYSTEM IMP.	\$7,605.00
I & S GROUP, INC.	IND. WASTEWATER PLANT IMP.	\$5,776.00
IOWA FIRE CONTROL, LLC	FIRE ALARMS	\$90.00
IOWA LAKES ELECTRIC COOP	ELECTRICITY	\$87.00
JANITOR'S CLOSET, LTD.	CLEANER	\$120.17
JJSS, LLC	JETTER AT SWR PLANT	\$175.00
KRISTI EBEL	REFEREE	\$100.00
MALLISON & WALDNER LLC	SNOW REMOVAL	\$330.00
MID AMERICAN ENERGY	ELECTRICITY	\$24,857.97
MID-AMERICAN BENEFITS, INC	CLAIMS THROUGH 4/19/23	\$999.30
NORTHSIDE TIRE	17 DODGE TIRES	\$1,232.84
O'HALLORAN INTERNATIONAL	FREIGHTLINER REPAIR	\$3,388.05
ONE OFFICE SOLUTION	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$221.60
POWER SOLUTIONS	REPLACE WATER PUMP	\$1,457.06
REHAB SYSTEMS, INC.	LIFT STATION CLEANING & JET VAC	\$787.50
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$484.55
SAUL CORTEZ	INCOME OFFSET REIMBURSEMENT	\$147.00
SCE, LLC	VALVE CHANGE & JETTER	\$4,164.60
SECRETARY OF STATE	NOTARYS	\$90.00
SHELLY HAHN	CLEANING SUPPLIES	\$20.64
SIMMERING-CORY, INC.	101 E. MAIN COMM. CATALYST APP	\$800.00
SIOUX SALES COMPANY	PD EQUIPMENT	\$119.95
STANARD & ASSOCIATES, INC.	OFFICER SELECTION TEST	\$64.00
TYLER EBEL	REFEREE	\$100.00
UNUM LIFE INS. CO OF AMERICA	5/23 LIFE & DISABILITY INS.	\$1,375.52
USPS	UTILITY BILL POSTAGE	\$460.67
WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL LEAS	COPIER LEASE	\$65.00
WOODALL ELECTRIC	LIFT STATION REPAIRS	\$9,349.90

Luke Gravenish, Public Works Director presented 2 quotes for pickups to replace the 2016 Dodge in the Street Department. This was tabled until Gravenish gets updated quotes.

As discussed in the 2023-24 budget process, Gravenish presented a quote to purchase a 2024 truck and dump body and plow to replace the 2011 Plow Truck. The quote for the truck from O'Halloran International is \$112,616.40 and the quote for the attachments from Hiway Truck Equipment is \$95,464.00. Motion by Wilberding, seconded by Wigginton to accept the quotes from O'Halloran International and Hiway Truck Equipment. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

We are required by the IDOT to have bridge inspections completed every 2 years, there is also a new rule that the rating analysis for the four new standard permit vehicles is supposed to be done by June 6, 2024. Two bids were presented for completing the inspections and load rating, Bolton & Menk-\$16,000.00 and Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.-\$8,500.00. Motion by Pingel, seconded by Wilberding to approve the low bid from Veenstra & Kimm, Inc. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

There have been ongoing issues with the existing radio communications system in the water system that is utilized to communicate from the water plant SCADA system and the water towers and wells in town. Gravenish presented a proposal from Thompson Solutions Group to update the communication system from radio communication to cellular. Motion by Pingel, seconded by Wilberding to accept Option 2 from Thompson Solutions Group for \$44,269.00. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

The 2009 Plow truck used by the water and street departments had an engine issue and has stopped running. The street department and O'Halloran International completed an inspection on the truck and recommend that we replace the engine as well as update the DAF system. Gravenish stated that it would cost around \$20,000 to rebuild the engine, and presented a quote for a new engine for \$28,487.62. Motion by Wilberding, seconded by Loughlin to approve a new engine for the 2009 Plow Truck. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Council discussed extending the sub-blighted area of the Urban Renewal Plan, and the section of the City Code pertaining to Peddler Permits.

Wigginton spoke with several downtown businesses and they expressed concerns about the conditions of the trash cans, light poles, benches and curbs downtown. Gravenish will look into getting these items taken care of.

On a motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wigginton, the meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Media Present: *Erin Rydgren, Cherokee Chronicle Times.*

Craig Schmidt, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sara Lucas, City Clerk-Treasurer