



MINUTES

The Center Point City Council met in a Regular Session on Tuesday, August 22nd, 2023, at 6:00 pm at the City Hall Council Chambers, 200 Franklin Street.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Traer Morgan presided.

Council members present were John Stuelke, Paul Mann (virtual), Nathan Schnell, Melissa McLaughlin. Absent: Patric Engelken.

Others present: Joe Taylor, Sarah Tritle, Ryan Anderson, Janine Cook-Walters, Alica Thomas, Randy Smith, Will Engelbrecht, John Elkin, and Pat Buzinski.

M/S McLaughlin/Mann To approve consent agenda. Aye: 4 Nay: 0 Abstention: 0 Absent: 1

CLAIMS REPORT

Table with 5 columns: VENDOR, REFERENCE, AMOUNT, CHECK #, CHECK DATE. Lists various vendors and their payments.



KARLEY KIRCHNER	WAKEMA RENTAL DEPOSIT REIMB	\$100.00	51870	8/22/2023
LINN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH	AIR PERMIT RENEWAL GENERATORS	\$135.00	51871	8/22/2023
LINN COUNTY RURAL ELECTRI	ELECTRIC	\$4,833.17	51872	8/22/2023
MICROBAC LABORATORIES, INC	WATER TESTING	\$46.50	51873	8/22/2023
MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHE	MELTAWAY 50#BAGS	\$2,400.14	51874	8/22/2023
MIDWEST LIVING MAGAZINE	MIDWEST LIVING SUBSCRIPT 3 YR	\$11.00	51875	8/22/2023
PARADISE LANDSCAPING	CEMETARY LAWN CARE	\$600.00	51876	8/22/2023
PRAIRIE ROAD BUILDERS	CHIP AND SEAL COAT PROJECT	\$55,237.91	51877	8/22/2023
RALLY APPRAISAL, LLC	APPRAISAL REPORT	\$1,400.00	51878	8/22/2023
ROBIN MANSON	COMM CNT RENTAL DEPOSIT REIMB	\$300.00	51879	8/22/2023
ROTO-ROOTER	SEWER PLANT SLUDGE BUGS	\$1,628.18	51880	8/22/2023
RYAN ANDERSON	MILEAGE REIMB IAPRA CONFERENCE	\$66.94	51881	8/22/2023
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY LLC	HELMET SUPPLIES	\$61.29	51882	8/22/2023
DAVID STENDER	FIRE TRAINING MILEAGE	\$984.93	51883	8/22/2023
TARA'S TIP TOP CLEANING	CITY HALL CLEANING	\$290.00	51884	8/22/2023
TREASURER/STATE	STATE TAXES	\$1,505.90	1456	8/18/2023
TUTS	TIRES ON PARKS TRUCK	\$844.00	51885	8/22/2023
USA COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET	\$9.68	51886	8/22/2023
VINTON NEWSPAPERS	LIBRARY RENEWAL SUBSCRIPTION	\$99.99	51887	8/22/2023
WATER SOLUTIONS UNLIMITED	WATER CHEMICALS	\$2,626.01	51888	8/22/2023
WELLMARK INC	HEALTH INS			
Accounts Payable Total		\$130,785.80		
Payroll Checks		\$18,381.06		
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		\$149,166.86		
GENERAL FUND		\$44,206.02		
ROAD USE TAX FUND		\$60,534.04		
FIRE STATION PROJECT		\$1,958.32		
WATER FUND		\$9,355.22		
SEWER FUND		\$8,444.31		
SEWER FACILITY PROJECT		\$11,758.93		
SOLID WASTE		\$178.02		
STORM WATER CONSTRUCTION		\$12,732.00		
TOTAL FUNDS		\$149,166.86		

Law Enforcement Report: Deputy Pease with Linn County Sheriff's office reported 38 calls for service between 8/8/2023 and 8/22/2023. The 91 required hours were met. Council member McLaughlin asked the Deputy to keep an eye on speeding around town. The Deputy requested that residents call right away when the problem arises as it is easier for them to locate and enforce.

Citizen Comment: None

Public Hearing:

The public hearing for Ordinance 510 Sidewalks Chapter 136 of the 2018 Code of Ordinances was opened at 6:03 pm. There were no citizen comments, and none were received in the Clerk's office. The public hearing was closed at 6:04 pm.



M/S Stuelke/McLaughlin To approve First Reading of Ordinance 510- Sidewalks.

Roll Call:

Aye: Schnell, McLaughlin, Stuelke, Mann

Nay: None

Abstention: None

Absent: Engelken

Petitions and Communications:

Steve Oyen, Peak Construction was not present at the meeting. The Fire Station has received the Certificate of Occupancy.

City Department Reports were reviewed. Public Works reported that the 2nd round of tree removal will be coming after the temperatures drop. Rathje is finishing up the wastewater collection system and expects to finish in a few weeks. Taylor reported that the Hometown pride clean up was on Saturday, special thanks to Legion for their help. Rudd is running into a problem with oversize garbage cans, they are going to start tagging and leaving the cans if they are oversized. The maximum size is 32 Gallon can or bag up to 40lbs.

Library Director Cook-Walters gave the Council an update on residents stealing diapers from the food pantry and then selling them at their garage sale. The residents have been given a trespass order from the Library and are subsequently banned from the Library. Approval by the Library Board of Directors for the ban due to threats and foul language after being asked to stop taking items from the Food Pantry for personal gain.

Chief Felton said the Fire Department MDA boot drive is this Friday from 3pm to 6 pm. Tentative move in date is September 16 8:30 am. The plan is the volunteers will leave the old station with the old pumper, and a few others will carry their gear and walk in a procession to the new station.

Parks Director Anderson said that adult volleyball ended on Saturday with a great tournament. Plans for the harvest festival are coming together nicely. The final inspection of the dog park was today at 9am, they are going to put in the gravel driveway and will announce an opening soon. The Lions club will be donating wood poles and lights for the sand volleyball courts, he said this could open the door for fall league. Anderson hopes to have ball field light quotes soon to the Council. There is no update on the Wakema pedestrian bridge.

New Business:

M/S Stuelke/McLaughlin To approve Resolution 2023-106. A resolution to set City Hall FY24 staff wages.

Roll Call:

Aye: Stuelke, Mann, McLaughlin, Schnell

Nay: None

Abstention: None

Absent: Engelken

Possible Closed Session pursuant to *Iowa Code Section 21.5 (1)(j)* to discuss the sale of real estate.

M/S Stuelke/McLaughlin To enter into Closed Session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5 (1)(j) to discuss the sale of particular real estate.

Roll Call:



Aye: Schnell, McLaughlin, Stuelke, Mann

Nay: None

Abstention: None

Absent: Engelken

M/S Stuelke/McLaughlin To enter into Open Session at 6:30 pm.

Roll Call:

Aye: McLaughlin, Mann, Schnell, Stuelke

Nay: None

Abstention: None

Absent: Engelken

Old Business:

M/S Stuelke/McLaughlin To approve 2nd Reading of Ordinance #509 Floodplain Management.

Roll Call:

Aye: Mann, Stuelke, Schnell, McLaughlin

Nay: None

Abstention: None

Absent: Engelken

Citizen Comment: Center Point Urbana Superintendent John Elkin introduced himself and Director of Maintenance Will Engelbrecht. Elkin talked about the importance of the School District and the Schools working together for our community and that they are designing a 2-to-5-year road map for facilities.

Resident Matt Burzinski introduced himself, him and his wife and kids are new to the community. Matt said has talked to Director Anderson in the past about repainting the pickle ball and was glad to see that was done. Matt wanted to express the huge interest that has come about in the sport of pickle ball, and he would like to see the parks consider more pickle ball courts.

Council Comment: Schnell said that the Linn County Planning and Zoning just passed a new ordinance about Solar panels, and the importance of protecting the city from the solar panels moving in. Mayor Mogan said the council has taken necessary steps in the past to show the opposition of the panels and support for the City of Palo.

Mayor's Report: None

M/S Schnell/McLaughlin To Adjourn the meeting at 6:30 pm. Aye: 4 Nay: 0 Abstention: 0 Absent: 1.

Traer Morgan, Mayor

Sarah Tritle, City Clerk/Finance Director

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