

Wall Lake, Iowa

April 24,2023

Wall Lake City Council met in council chambers at 7:00 p.m. presided by Mayor Pro Tem Rohlf.

Councilmen present: Riedell, Steinkamp, Nuetzman and Mott. Mayor Druivenga is absent.

Visitors: Jim Wissler.

Riedell made the motion to approve the agenda. Nuetzman seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Nuetzman made the motion to approve the minutes of the April 10<sup>th</sup> meeting as presented. Mott seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Steinkamp made the motion to approve the bills as presented with the addition of a bill from Chris Lawler for mileage for \$131.50 and a bill from IUB for \$56.00 for labor. Nuetzman seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET**

Mayor Pro Tem Rohlf opened the public hearing for the FY 24 Budget at 7:03 p.m. There were no comments or questions from the public. Riedell made the motion to close the public hearing. Steinkamp seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET AMENDMENT #2**

Mayor Pro Tem Rohlf opened the public hearing for the FY 24 Budget. There were no comments or questions from the public. Steinkamp made the motion to close the public hearing. Mott seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Public Forum: Steinkamp informed the council that the new Wall Lake sign should be close to completion. Nuetzman informed the council the council that items other than yard waste are being disposed of at the dump, ongoing problem. James Meister would like to know if sewer could be installed if he plats 18 lots NE of the pool.

Discuss/Approve FY2024 Budget Resolution 2023-10; a resolution approving the 2024 Fiscal Year Budget: Riedell made the motion to approve Resolution 2023-10. Nuetzman seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Resolution 2023-09 a resolution approving FY2023 Budget Amendment number 2: Mott made the motion to approve Resolution 2023-09. Steinkamp seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Pool Board Recommendations: The Pool Board recommends Rachelle Blum as Pool Manager at a salary of \$5000.00 for the season, Lindsay King as Assistant Manager at \$2000.00 for the pool season. Lifeguards at \$11 per hour, twelve applicants due to participation in softball and other summer activities. The change of the pool hours opening at noon instead of 1 p.m. and closing at 6 pm. If there are 5 or less people swimming at the pool, the pool can make the decision to close early. Steinkamp told council about some repairs and equipment that are needed at the pool. Nuetzman made the motion to approve all the recommendations the Pool Board made. Riedell seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Sanitary Sewer Manhole Maintenance: The Clerk showed the council before and after pictures of manholes that have been replaced. Most of our manholes have a dirt or concrete bottom which increases cost. The updated manholes will decrease infiltration. The Clerk informed the council that each manhole will cost an estimated \$2000-\$2500 to replace and that there are about an estimated 50 or more in town which would be repaired over a period of time. Rehab Systems has mapped out Wall Lake's manholes, the Clerk wants to number them in order to have a more detailed map of our manholes. Riedell made the motion to approve spending \$10,000-\$15,000 per year for manhole maintenance. Nuetzman seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Health Savings Account Information: The Clerk reported that our health insurance plan does not qualify for an HSA plan according to IRS guidelines. The Clerk will continue to seek out an alternative.

Discuss/Approve Annexation and lots agreement with landowners: The Clerk asked council if we should annex to the East or to Otter Ave. The Clerk has been consulting with COG and the City Attorney and was told if a city has the opportunity to annex it should annex. Steinkamp made the motion to annex according to what the map shows. Nuetzman seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve NNG Open Season opportunity: The Clerk has signed a letter of interest in open season with Northern Natural Gas, that shows interest in buying in at a set cost for natural gas if the price is right. This letter does not bind the city to an agreement, only states interest.

Discuss/Approve Building Permit(s): Riedell made the motion to approve Kevin Bieret's building permit. Nuetzman seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Standby Generator bids: The City received bids on installation of generator and the generator purchase. Due to the fact that the city received a FEMA grant for the generator the city has to take the lowest bid. Wall Lake Hardware submitted the lowest bid for installation at \$26,500.00. Cummins submitted the lowest bid for the generator and switch at \$94,350.00. Riedell made the motion to accept the bids from Wall Lake Hardware for installation and from Cummins for the generator and transfer switch. Nuetzman seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Pool Lots: More discussion on how to sell the lots, cost of the lots. The council asked what grants through Region XII are available, possibly for infrastructure? Mott would like to sell lots instead of giving any away at no cost due to the demand for lots. Riedell asked if the city could stipulate the size of the house built on the lot. The Region XII grant is due in June so the council has a couple more meeting to discuss this further.

Discuss/Approve additional write-off accounts: Mott made the motion to approve writing off the additional accounts. Nuetzman seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Adjourn

Mayor Pro Tem Rohlf mentioned the Sac County League meeting on May 10<sup>th</sup> hosted by Early at Wall Lake's Community Center. Riedell made the motion to adjourn. Mott seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Attest

Lynn Grosely  
Deputy Clerk

