

Westgate City Council Proceedings
Regular Council Meeting
April 17th, 2023
Community Room, City Hall, Westgate, IA

City Council met in regular session. Mayor Gene Rubendall called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Council members present: D. Wolff, S. Hannan, R. Moore, E. Wolff, and T. Wolff

Others present: Teela Wild, Chuck and Becky Hurd, and Jason Ritter

A motion was made by D. Wolff to approve the consent agenda this included approval of the agenda, minutes, treasurer's report bank statement, and bills to pay. Seconded by R. Moore. Motion passed.

New Business:

An Open Public Hearing for the FY2024 city budget was opened at 6:01. The mayor asked if there were any written or oral comments. There were no written or oral comments. The public hearing was closed at 6:04pm.

Council member R. Moore introduced Resolution 2023-2, and made a motion for a roll call vote approval. The motion was seconded by D. Wolff. Roll call vote, E. Wolff yea, R. Moore yea, S Hannan yea, D. Wolff yea, T. Wolff yea. Motion passed. Mayor Rubendall declared that Resolution 2023-2 be adopted.

The Bank Bar liquor license is up for renewal. R. Moore made a motion to renew license. E. Wolff seconded. Motion passed (D. Wolff abstained)

A motion was made by S. Hannan to propose a Public Hearing for the 05/08/23 Regular Council Meeting for the adoption of a resolution granting Alliant Energy a 25-year non-exclusive electric

franchise with the inclusion of an electric utility franchise fee of 5% for the City of Westgate. T. Wolff seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business:

310 S. Cass St is still being processed. G. Rubendall will talk with D. Nuss and get this process going.

Water/Sewer: G. Rubendall per D. Nuss: Everything is ok. The lagoons are discharging.

City Equipment: E. Wolff: I'll help get that sander out of the City Building.

Westgate Community Club: S. Hannan: We will need to get those benches out when it gets warmer. Tasha and I need a list of Opera House rentals.

Mayor/City Clerk: T. Wild: A big Thank You to Chuck and Becky Hurd for their kind donation of \$200 to help the City remove the trees from the park.

City Clerk is moving out of state so a new City Clerk will need to be hired. The open position will be posted in the 3 places in town and in the Fayette County Shopper's Reminder and the Oelwein Daily Register.

The City Clerk alerted the Council about the dire state of the City's finances in regard to the sewer billing. The rates for sewer service will have to increase. This should be taken up at a future meeting.

Motion to adjourn meeting by D. Wolff and seconded by R. Moore. Motion passed. Council Meeting adjourned at 6:22pm.

Bills:

Dave Nuss (salary, mileage, and expense) \$1370.24
Teela Wild (salary and expense) \$830.54
Dave Wolff \$161.60
Fayette County Road Dept. \$360.00
Fayette County Solid Waste Dept. \$1599.84
Fayette County Recycling \$588.96
Hunt's Auto \$297.50
Dennis Martin CPA PC \$100.00
Iowa Department of Revenue (Withholding & Sales Tax) \$888.20
IPERS \$326.40
Alliant Energy \$1449.77
US Cellular \$70.65
Hawkeye Interconnect \$57.44
Consolidated Energy Company \$868.25
Viafield \$220.91
Microbac Labs \$49.50
West Central Post Prom \$50.00
Fayette County Emergency Mgmt. Assoc. \$359.88

Gene Rubendall, Mayor

Teela Wild, Clerk