

## Westgate City Council Proceedings

December 12, 2022

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

Others present: Teela Wild, Harvey Richards, Kae Mueller, Julie Moore, Tammy Walenceus, Rosie Crouch, and Rhonda Harn.

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

Public Comments:

None

New Business:

A. A motion was made by D. Wolff to approve the Street Financial Report for 2021-2022. Seconded by R. Moore. Motion passed.

B. A motion was made by S. Hannan to donate \$50 to the Junior Class Prom. Seconded by R. Moore. Motion passed.

Old Business:

310 S. Cass St is still being processed.

Lance Hangartner will remove trees and stumps when he is in the area

Water/Sewer: D. Nuss has shut down the lagoons for the year.

City Equipment: E. Wolff reports all city equipment is ready to go.

Westgate Community Club: Soup Cook Off 12/15, Bingo 12/18

Motion made by D. Wolff to approve City paying half of insulating Opera House. Seconded by R. Moore. Motion passed.

Library: R. Harn addressed the Council in regard to funding for the Westgate Library for 2023-2024. She stated the Library Board has come to the conclusion that more funding is needed as there has been no increase in funding for several years, not even to keep pace with inflation. The Board requests that Library funding be increased annually from \$7500.00 to \$10,900.00 with the inclusion of an increase in the wage of the Librarian from \$8.00/hour to \$9.00/hour. Or, if the wage were to remain at \$8.00/hour, the general funding from The City would still need to increase \$2000.00 just to cover current Library Staff wages without resorting to fundraising. It was emphasized that this increase was the first in many years and necessary to keep the number of open hours of the Library above the minimum to keep receiving state aid funds.

Mayor/City Clerk: T. Wild addressed the Council about a notice of how the City's electric franchise agreement with Alliant Energy is going to end in 2023 and will have to be renegotiated. She will look into this more.

Motion to adjourn meeting by E. Wolff and seconded by R. Moore.  
Motion passed. Council Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.

Bills:

Dave Nuss \$1338.84

Teela Wild \$704.54

Iowa Department of Revenue \$290.16

IPERS \$361.79

Alliant Energy \$1268.16

US Cellular \$70.50

Office Supplies \$258.87

BMC Aggregates \$433.56

Smith Excavating \$645.00

USPS (stamps) \$120.00

Hawkeye Interconnect \$54.93

Consolidated Energy Company \$450.54

Brownell Mowing \$1990.00

Microbac (formerly Keystone Labs) \$348.25

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Gene Rubendall, Mayor

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Teela Wild, Clerk