

Westgate City Council Proceedings

January 10, 2022

City council met in regular session at 6:00pm. Mayor Rubendall presiding. Council members present were D. Wolff, T. Wolff, S. Hannan, R Moore and E. Wolff.

Others present: R. Harn and D. Nuss

A motion was made by D. Wolff to approve the agenda. Seconded R. Moore. All ayes, motion passed.

A motion was made by S. Hannan to approve the previous meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by E Wolff. All ayes, motion passed.

A motion was made by E Wolff to approve the Treasurer's Report/ Bank Statement. The motion was seconded by D. Wolff. All ayes., motion passed.

New Business:

In new business Mayor Gene Rubendall appointed E. Wolff as mayor pro-tem. The city clerk will notify Fidelity bank to arrange for E. Wolff to be added to the city's bank account information.

The public hearing date for the Max Levy has been set for February 7, 2022. E. Wolff made a motion to approve this public hearing date for the Max Levy. The motion was seconded by S Hannan. All ayes, the motion passed.

Committees for the council will remain the same except adding T. Wolff in place of M. Rover. The list of committees is posted at city hall.

The council has approved Dennis Martin to fill out and submit the city's W2s. A motion was made by R. Moore. Seconded by D. Wolff. All ayes, motion passed.

A motion was made by E Wolff to approve the USDA 2021 Sewer Report. The motion was seconded by R. Moore. All ayes, motion passed.

A motion was made by D. Wolff to approve the 2022 USDA Budget Request. The motion was seconded by T. Wolff. All ayes, motion passed.

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Old Business:

IRUA: no report

Westgate Library: The library is creating a Fine Free policy and will become a fine free library in 2022.

Water/Sewer Report: The annual report is due by the end of January.

City Equipment: no report.

Community Club: The Welcome to Westgate and Bill Thompson Memorial signs are installed. The city received a thank you card from Connie Thompson for the memorial sign. The community club received a \$5,000.00 donation from Darryl and Jane Cannon for the Opera House Fund.

The city will be taking sealed bids from anyone who would be interested in buying the property at 105 Olive St, Westgate. The property is being sold "as is" it must be cleaned up by April and have the sewer capped. The bids will be opened at the February 7, 2022 council meeting. The bids can be dropped off at the city hall office or mailed to City of Westgate, 104 Cass St N, Westgate, IA 50681. An ad advertising the request for sealed bids will also be sent to the Oelwein newspaper.

Mayor / City Clerk Report: The light on the Welcome to Westgate sign on the corner of Hollywood and Railroad St will be removed due to it being too bright for the surrounding households. The city has been given permission from Kay Reuber to remove the fence along High Street.

The city clerk reported that the quarterly reports will be finished by the end of January. Also, some vendors for services to the city will be increasing their prices due to increased costs to their businesses.

The clerk has also notified the council that she will be resigning March 31st. The council asked that an ad be put in the paper advertising the city clerk position.

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A motion was made by T. Wolff to approve the bills. The motion was seconded by E. Wolff. All ayes, motion passed.

A motion was made by E. Wolff to adjourn. The motion was seconded by R. Moore. All ayes, motion passed.

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Mayor

X

City Clerk

Posted 1/19/22

Claims paid in December 2021**General Fund**

Alliant	\$ 1,368.61
John Deere	\$ 44.51
True Nothlins.	\$ 279.30
Black Hawk Waste	\$ 54.00
Consolidated Energy	\$ 480.97
US Cellular	\$ 98.42
Community Club (sign)	\$ 332.51
Walmart (Office Supplies)	\$ 17.54
Menards Supplies	\$ 50.69
IDR Withholding	\$ 139.23
Windstream	\$ 189.43
Brownell Mowing	\$ 2,415.00
Fay Co. Auditor	\$ 268.62
28E Agreement Fayette County Sheriff	\$ 2,110.00
IRUA Membership Dues	\$ 225.00
Rhonda Harn(payroll)	\$ 527.88
Gene Rubendall(payroll)	\$ 129.16
Westgate Fire Dept.	\$ 1,800.00
Westgate Library	\$ 3,750.00
IPERS	\$ 359.04

Water/Sewer Fund**Payee**

Dave Nuss(water payroll)	\$ 669.42
Dave Nuss(sewer payroll)	\$ 669.42
Dave Nuss(mileage)	\$ 275.00
Ia. Dept. Revenue(sales tax)	\$ 958.04
Keystone	\$ 159.80
Iowa Rural Water Dues	\$ 225.00

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Prairie Road Builders	\$ 4,258.73
Fay. Co.Road Dept.	\$ 300.20

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - CITY OF WESTGATE - PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY
Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year City property tax levy as follows:

Meeting Date: 2/7/2022 **Meeting Time:** 06:00 PM **Meeting Location:** Westgate Community Room 184 Main St

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After adoption of the proposed tax levy, the City Council will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed city budget.

City Telephone Number
(563) 578-3258

City Website (if available)

	Current Year Certified Property Tax 2021 - 2022	Budget Year Effective Property Tax 2022 - 2023	Budget Year Proposed Maximum Property Tax 2022 - 2023	Annual % CHG
Regular Taxable Valuation	3,145,518	3,592,795	3,592,795	
Tax Levies:				
Regular General	25,479	25,479	29,102	
Contract for Use of Bridge			0	
Opr & Maint Publicly Owned Transit			0	
Rent, Ins. Maint. Of Non-Owned Civ. Ctr.			0	
Opr & Maint of City-Owned Civic Center			0	
Planning a Sanitary Disposal Project			0	
Liability, Property & Self-Insurance Costs	7,860	7,860	8,978	
Support of Local Emer. Mgmt. Commission	693	693	792	
Emergency	0	0	0	
Police & Fire Retirement			0	
FICA & IPERS	4,000	4,000	4,568	
Other Employee Benefits			0	
Total Tax Levy	38,032	38,032	43,440	14.21
Tax Rate	12.09085	10.58563	12.09076	

Explanation of significant increases in the budget:

These increases will be used towards employee wages.

If applicable, the above notice also available online at:

*Total city tax rate will also include voted general fund levy, debt service levy, and capital improvement reserve levy.

**Budget year effective property tax rate is the rate that would be assessed for these levies if the dollars requested is not changed in the coming budget year