

City of Grand Mound  
Minutes of the  
City Council Meeting  
615 Sunnyside St. Grand Mound, IA 52751  
May 8th, 2023

Mayor Crosthwaite called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present included; Schanze, Beitelspacher, Banowetz, Marlowe, and Beuthien.

Motion by Beitelspacher, second by Banowetz to accept and approve the consent agenda, and the following detail resolution ayes all:

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>Check #</u>
Aetna	Eap Services	\$8.76	23114
Aflac	Insurance	\$234.60	23111
Alliant Energy	Utilities	\$4,835.09	E payment
Badger Meter	Meter Fees	\$253.65	23115
CIT	I&I Televising Sewer Main	\$12,909.99	23116
Collection Service Center	Withholdings April	\$250.00	E payments
Clinton Co Sheriff	28E Police	\$1,474.47	23117
FTSB	Bank NSF Fees UB Consumer	\$76.84	E payments
Delta Dental	Dental Insurance	\$239.64	E payment
Delta Dental	Vision Insurance	\$33.48	E payment
Eftps	Federal Withholding	\$3,067.15	E payment
Expert Pay IL Collect Serv	Withholdings April	\$609.56	E payments
Ftsb Visa Card	Conf Phone System & Supplies	\$467.76	23113
GIS Benefits	Life Insurance withholding	\$144.68	E payment
GMCCC	Utilities	\$570.39	23119
IPERS	Ipers withholding	\$1,619.36	E payment
IA Rural Water	Dues	\$225.00	23121
ISG	Y54 & Splash Pad Design Fees	\$3,080.00	23122
J&M Displays	7/4/23 4th of July Display	\$27,000.00	23123
J&R Supply	Water supplies	\$55.00	23124
Kelvin Lange	CDL GA Driver	\$180.00	23125
Kunau Equipment	Parts: Street sweeper/broom	\$172.20	23126
IA Codification	Codification	\$50.00	23120
Mississippi Valley Pump	Annual Maint'	\$250.00	23127
N. Lange	Cell Phone Stipend	\$50.00	23128
Napa/Premier Parts	2 Battery replacements	\$347.98	23132
Observer	Publications	\$182.08	23129
Pillers	Legal fees	\$379.00	23131
Petty Cash	Postage 941 Report	\$4.15	23130

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Tech Solutions F&B	Tech Support- Printer	\$40.00	23118
Tires N More	Valve Stem Repair	\$3.00	23133
Treasurer, State of IA	Water Excise Tax April	\$498.46	E Payment
UnityPoint Clinic	Random Testing	\$42.00	23134
WGML	Garbage Contract	\$2,300.00	23136
Wellmark	Insurance	\$1,211.75	E Payment
Wendling Quarries	Fill Dirt	\$82.81	23135
Wages	April Wages & Stipends	\$13,114.33	

<u>Account</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expense</u>
General	\$83,816.09	\$46,140.54
Road Use	\$6,889.31	\$2,477.19
Employee Benefits	\$9,761.83	\$3,052.76
Emergency	\$2,279.41	\$0.00
Housing Rehab	\$0.00	\$0.00
Debt Service	\$0.00	\$0.00
Capital Improvement	\$0.00	\$2,500.00
08 Citizen Project	\$0.00	\$0.00
Water	\$6,505.47	\$5,284.65
Sewer	\$5,698.39	\$14,846.61
Landfill/Garbage	\$4,611.71	\$6,788.65
Storm Water	\$1,137.69	\$24.25
Hwy 30 ST SW	\$0.00	\$0.00
Clinton ST SW	\$0.00	\$0.00
<u>Sunnyside/Clinton STSW</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total	\$125,699.90	\$82,114.65

Citizen Inquiries: A citizen read a letter to the council that he is sending to the Observer regarding an opinion on the nuisance property abatement process that was recently completed during the town tour by the City Council & Mayor. A citizen voiced concerns stating he had been singled out during the tour by the Mayor and believed the Mayor invaded his privacy during the town tour when looking for nuisance property violations by looking over his privacy fence. The City Attorney instructed the citizen to direct those concerns to a private attorney. The citizen requested nuisance trees to be added to the agenda due to concerns the trees are diseased and losing branches causing property damage. The citizen inquired why vehicles which are licensed, operational, and stored on private property are not allowed to remain on private property without being in an enclosed structure when campers and boats are. The city attorney will review the inquiry. A citizen inquired if he was in compliance regarding the nuisance abatement without looking over his privacy fence. The city attorney will review the inquiry. A citizen inquired why her property was placed on the nuisance list, but a neighboring property was not. The city

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attorney suggested if there is a nuisance that was overlooked to submit that to the city council for review or for individuals who feel the letter they received for a nuisance violation is not correct to contact city hall or attend a council meeting to discuss the letter and provide details on the individual circumstances to be addressed.

The Clinton County Sheriff's report was read.

City Attorney's Report: None.

Motion by Banowetz, second by Beitelspacher to table the GIS system quotes by Goldfinch pending further review by the city clerk. Ayes; All.

Ball Club: Member Kinney attended to discuss the needs of Ball Club. The city clerk suggested a list of items needed/financial support requested. Council member Marlowe suggested a short term, long term goal summary from the club. Council member Beitelspacher discussed potential volunteerism in general with the club and adding potential youth leagues. Ball Club will discuss future programs, needs and schedule a meeting with the council to discuss further.

Council member Marlowe discussed concerns for the current nuisance abatement process and policy with regard to looking for nuisances vs responding to complaints received. Citizens voiced concerns regarding the nuisance process, privacy concerns, and being fair to each property owner in town. The city clerk and city attorney will reach out to other communities to gather options on future practices that could be utilized to improve the process and will add the process to the June agenda for discussion.

CIT & I&I Report. The PW Dept will gather estimates for relining the sewer main to the lagoon and discuss potential smoke testing along the laterals discovered in the CIT report with the Iowa rural water association.

Motion by Beuthien, second by Schanze to approve Havans Iowa Retail Permit Application for Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor. Ayes; All.

Brandt Construction litigation process was discussed. ISG to contact Attorney Pillers.

Resolution 23-16 Y54 East Street Bond was tabled pending final numbers.

Resolution 23-17 Galloway subdivision plat survey was tabled pending PZ Board approval.

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Reports: The wellmark grant for the splash pad was not awarded. The city will order the antenna to antenna internet option with GMCCC to add wifi to the watershed to install a camera inside. No rubble may be taken to the compost pile.

Reports:

Motion by Schanze, second by Beuthien to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Ayes; All. The next Regular City Council meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 12th 2023 at City Hall located at 615 Sunnyside St. in Grand Mound, IA 52751.

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Kurt Crosthwaite, Mayor

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Melissa Conner, City Clerk

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