

(Subject to approval)
CITY OF ELY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
April 15, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: The City Council of Ely, Iowa, met in regular session on April 15, 2024, at 7:00pm with Mayor Scott Ladwig presiding. The following City Council members were present: Carol Thompson, Judy Wery, James Cox; Mark Becicka. Absent: Dan Whitaker.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Wery, 2nd by Cox to approve consent agenda of minutes of April 1, 2024, bills payable and Treasurer's Report. All Ayes. Motion Carried 4-0

Listed below are the approved bills payable

VENDOR	AMOUNT
ADVANCED BUSINESS SYSTEMS	95.90
AIRGAS USA, LLC	124.67
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES-BUS	1,270.51
ASHEY ZACHARIAS	100.00
BAKER & TAYLOR	1,221.59
BASE	30.00
BECKY BAXA	94.95
BOLTON & MENK, INC.	12,682.00
CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC	264.00
CODY VAN DEE	100.00
COLLECTION SERVICE CENTER	184.61
COLONIAL LIFE INSURANCE	48.82
THE COMPANY STORE	675.6
CSG FORTE PAYMENTS, INC	970.78
EFTPS	6,575.44
FISHER SCIENTIFIC	162.85
GAZETTE COMMUNICATIONS, INC	275.14
VISA	507.76
HINTON PLUMBING & REPAIR	206.50
IMFOA	50.00
ION ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS LL	825.00
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY	698.00
JOHN STEENBLOCK	100.00
KIRACOFE OIL CO	296.50
LYNCH DALLAS, P.C.	2,378.50
MENARDS	7.99
MMS CONSULTANTS, INC	35,000.00
NEAL'S WATER CONDITIONING	33.25
PAW CONTROL WILDLIFE SOLUTIONS	255.00
PLAY IT AGAIN SPORTS	333.11

RAPIDS REPRODUCTIONS, INC	1,175.00
SAM'S CLUB/S/SYNCHRONY BK	195.11
SARAH SELLON	81.94
SIMON & SCHUSTER LLC.	717.25
SWANK MOVIE LICENSING	121.00
TRACY CLAIR	6.70
TRAFFIC LOGIX CORPORATION	135.00
Accounts Payable Total	68,000.47
Payroll Checks	19,515.01
Total	87,515.48

City Department Reports: City Administrator Miller gave council an update on the Banner Valley Sidewalk Project, pouring Parkview Ln intersection today and should be opening later this week. Rathje agreed to complete Parkland and Rock Island at the same time to expedite the project by 1 week. Good Neighbor meeting for the Downtown Project went well last Thursday, 4/11. Mobilization starts this week Trear St. will be closed for about 2 months. The city plans on making a group list of all the property owners affected by this project and communicating through Nixel. City Park Parking Lot is tentatively starting the week of 4/29. Ash Tree Removal is still going on Cy has about a week left of work in town. The first annual Cycling Addition highlighted the impact of trials for small communities and included Ely & Solon in the story.

Sherriff's report was given to council at the meeting, Council had no questions.

Community Comments/requests: Linn County Supervisor, Kirsten Running-Marquardt introduced herself and expressed wanting to work with leadership of Ely and residents. May 9th at 4:00pm is the meeting of the State of the County for Linn County at the Public Service Building. She will have an email sent to Administrator Miller inviting Mayor and Council.

Business: Public Hearing adopting FY25 Budget. Motion by Thompson, 2nd by Wery to close public hearing. All Ayes. Motion Carried 4-0

Motion by Cox, 2nd by Becicka resolution approving the adoption of the FY24-25 Budget. All Ayes. Motion carried 4-0

Motion by Cox, 2nd by Thompson the table this resolution approving land purchase agreement with DND LLC until a future meeting. All Ayes. Motion carried 4-0

Motion by Becicka, 2nd by Thompson resolution approving land purchase agreement with Main Street Legacy LLC. All Ayes. Motion carried 4-0

Motion by Cox, 2nd by Wery resolution setting a public hearing date of May 6th for amending Ordinance 95, increasing water rates related to funding for the Downtown Infrastructure Project. All Ayes. Motion carried 4-0

Motion by Thompson, 2nd by Becicka resolution setting a public hearing date of May 6th on proposal to enter into a General Obligation Sewer Loan and Disbursement agreement and to

borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$1,000,000. All Ayes. Motion carried 4-0

Motion by Wery, 2nd by Cox resolution setting a public hearing date of May 6th on proposal to enter a Water Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$1,600,000 All Ayes. Motion carried 4-0

Motion by Cox, 2nd by Becicka resolution setting a public hearing date of May 6th on proposal to enter into a General Obligation Loan Agreement and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$550,000. All Ayes. Motion carried 4-0

Discussion related to service line repair at 1930 Dows Street. Resident Blake Ford has supplied the insurance letter declining to pay for this work being done. The council had a discussion on whether to help pay this bill or not. Motion by Cox, 2nd by Thompson to follow ordinance as written. Ayes: Cox, Wery, Thompson and Nay: Becicka. Motion carried 3-1

Motion by Cox, 2nd by Wery resolution approving Marthwin Fourth Addition plans per the Linn County Fringe Area Agreement. All Ayes. Motion carried 4-0

Motion by Thompson, 2nd by Becicka resolution approving First Presbyterian Addition per the Linn County Fringe Area Agreement. All Ayes. Motion carried 4-0

Motion by Wery, 2nd by Thompson resolution approving change order for Banner Valley Sidewalk Project All Ayes. Motion carried 4-0

Motion by Becicka, 2nd by Cox to enter into closed session to conduct city administrator review per Iowa Code 21.5(1)(i). All Ayes. Motion carried 4-0

Motion by Becicka, 2nd by Thompson to end closed session. All Ayes. Motion carried 4-0

No action was taken from closed session.

Motioned by Cox , 2nd by Wery to adjourn the meeting. All Ayes. Motion carried 4-0

Mayor Ladwig adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm.