

Rolfe Regular Council Meeting/Public Hearing
Monday, June 13, 2022
Rolfe Community Center, 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Jim Pentico called the meeting to order at 5:35p.m. Mayor took roll call. Council present Dan Allen, Lana Pratt, Rob Jackson & Al Minkler. Absent Conney Dewey. Allen Pratt moved to approve the consent agenda including agenda, bills, correction to 5/3/22 & 5/9/22 minutes and building permit for Tony Higgins and Rolfe Rodeo and Saddle Club. All ayes.

De Sindergard gave treasurer's report for May 2022. Minkler/Jackson moved to approve treasurer's report. All ayes. No council comments. Mayor stated Iowa code on orderly conduct during council meeting. Mayor referred to posting on Facebook, as a board member, fellow resident/community member bad mouthing is not acceptable. Mayor also stated to stop a rumor, it is not a conflict of interest for a married couple to be on the park board. Also explained the situation of when water tower was built there was an arrangement that was made, and the issue is finished. Mayor also stated if you are unhappy with the way he conducts business, explained the ways he could be removed.

City clerk will be on vacation June 20th – 24th. No utility reports. Citizen comments – Barb Bennett with HTP updated council on the completion of installing water hook ups at Wilcox campground, Bennett also stated she believes the Mayor is doing a good job.

De Sindergard – as she previously brought up a few months ago Chapter 55.08 dogs causing an annoyance or disturbance. Dogs are constantly barking in her neighborhood, if she can hear it in her house, it is bad. City also has an ordinance to license the dogs, as she works in city hall, she knows who has licensed their dogs. Kevin Kerns – said pool is all cleaned and ready to be filled. We have lifeguards and pool manager that are being certified. No complaint forms.

Unfinished business – No one from Hometown Housing.

New Business - No one from Sheriff Department.

Allen/Jackson moved to approve cigarette permit for Rolfe Heartland. All ayes.

Minkler/Jackson moved to approve liquor license for Rolfe Rodeo and Saddle Club. All ayes.

Al Sroufe was not at meeting, but informed council member Allen, he can no longer help with the RAMS center, and 320 Garfield Street and think they need to be destroyed. Mayor stated we have a rep coming from Iowa waste management July 7th to see what can be recycled out of 320 Garfield, for grant for removal. Conney Dewey arrived at 6:00pm. Kevin Kerns also said clean up at RAMS center will be expensive and the upkeep to keep the building in good condition in the future.

Livestock ordinance – Mayor stated a lot of bad information going around you have needed permission for livestock since 1997. Mayor read livestock ordinance. Mayor cited stringer city ordinances on livestock from neighboring cities. Council needs to review ordinance.

Regards for livestock permit for Westergard and Petters. Mayor is waiting for more information from attorney. There is sensitivity to be aware of on one of the requests, will table the two livestock permits until we get better information. Dewey said some residents are unhappy with the city about changing ordinance. Jeremy Ives - If livestock ordinance changes are not in violation, still get to keep their animals. Diane Sandvig stated she had chickens in her yard. Heather Peters asked about disabled people. Mayor is waiting on more information.

Jeremy Sauter stated the lot next to vets' office would like to continue to park there. Mayor stated city was repairing gravel roads/alleys and empty lots that is why asked to move vehicles. No action taken.

Lagoon mowing – Jon Hauswirth would like to have Eastman come in and bale grass. Allen/Jackson moved to allow Corey Eastman. Discussion. Allen amended motion Allen/Dewey moved to allow Corey Eastman to bale grass at Lagoon if there are no issues with the DNR or any other entities. All ayes.

Bike lane on HWY 15 project – Mayor gave update on DOT project, did not get the grant. DOT has revised the dimensions for bike lanes and lowered cost of \$49,200. Actual cost to city is about

\$10,000.00. Allen/Dewey moved to continue to move forward with bike project. All ayes.
Mayor gave information that the Family Crisis Center has taken cuts from the State and Federal government for funding and are reaching out to Local Government to help fund their programs they are asking for \$250.00. Pratt/Dewey moved to contribute \$250.00 to the Family Crisis Center. All ayes.
Pratt/ Dewey moved to approve resolution #689 a resolution to transfer funds from fiscal year end.
Ayes: Rob Jackson, Lan Pratt, Dan Allen, Connie Dewey, and Al Minkler.
Nuisance abatements – Mayor stated there is nothing in Iowa law that a nuisance is grandfathered in. Nobody is exempt from a nuisance abatement. Mayor is code enforcement officer and will personally contact the owner of nuisance, then move forward with procedures. Discussed various nuisances.
Minkler asked about pools.
Pratt/Allen moved to adjourn at 6:45pm. All ayes.

Mayor, Jim Pentico

ATTEST:

City Clerk, Angela Montag