

Rolfe Regular Council Meeting/Public Hearing  
Monday, July 11, 2022  
Rolfe Community Center, 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Jim Pentico called the meeting to order at 5:31p.m. Mayor took roll call. Council present Dan Allen, Rob Jackson, Al Minkler & Conney Dewey. Absent Lana Pratt. Allen/Jackson moved to approve the consent agenda including agenda, bills, correction to 6/13/22 & 6/30/22. All ayes. De Sindergard gave treasurer's report. Minkler had questions. Dewey/Minkler moved to accept treasurer's report. All ayes.

Council comments- Al Minkler had concerns about livestock ordinance, why are we waiting to issue permits. Mayor said we are waiting for the city attorney. Discussion. Dan Allen showed pictures of old Sunnybrook and its conditions, it does not look good. Rob asked about street sweeper. - Leak was fixed, but some switches are bad that need repaired.

City clerk will be at school July 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor comments – had special meeting on June 30, 2022, to get a fence around 320 Garfield St. And a approve moving forward with a dangerous building, attorney wanted the council to vote on. Mayor said Greater Rolfe days was a success. Thanked those for all who put in time and effort.

Citizen comments - Heather Peters passed out material to council. She had papers about equine therapy. Would appreciate council to look over the material and not table the issue anymore. Mayor has contacted Iowa Civil rights commission; mayor has been contacting other agencies.

Sandy Behrendsen – she has a house to sell in Rolfe, concerned about the garage falling down and has concerns that there are chemicals in the building. Mayor said court case could be in August. She doesn't want to show house until chemicals are gone.

Mary Allen – Concerns about ordinances that are not being followed. HTP group has been helping keeping properties maintained. Concerns about complaints about barking dogs, temporary fences, chip in and help your neighbor if they need help.

Shane Akers with Hometown Housing discussed with council what their program is about. They work with cities helping with their house needs, new homes, renovations, rental units. Allen/Dewey moved to go forward with phase 1 of the program. All ayes.

No Sheriff updates. Dewey/Minkler moved to approve Sunnybrook on Main liquor license. All ayes. Mayor gave update on 320 Garfield street and Rams Center. Met with representative from Iowa waste exchange and talked about the derelict building program. Advised to move forward with the one building at 320 Garfield street at this time. Need a plan for property after building is taken down. Can apply for Brownsfield grant for asbestos removal. Allen/Dewey moved to approve going forward with asbestos removal process.

Livestock ordinance – need to refine the ordinance it is vague. Mayor read the livestock ordinance. Talked with attorney and then set up livestock ordinance workshop. Sarah Ives spoke about their chickens, and the rules for five acres. Everybody should be respectful of neighbor; we don't want to be penalized for other people not following the rules.

Allen/Jackson moved to appoint Shelley Stumpf to the EMS Advisory committee. Dewey/Minkler moved to first advertise old ambulance to other cities when it is ready to be sold and have Shelley Stumpf decide the price. All ayes.

Nuisance abatement- Mayor gave update on new nuisances that were sent.

Allen/Jackson moved to adjourn at 6:53pm. All ayes.

Mayor, Jim Pentico

ATTEST:

City Clerk, Angela Montag