

Rolfe Regular Council Meeting
Monday, February 12, 2024
Rolfe Community Center, 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Jim Pentico called the meeting to order at 5:30p.m at the community center. Mayor took roll call. Council present Lana Pratt, Connie Dewey, Al Minkler, Rob Jackson & Dan Allen.

Pratt/Dewey moved to approve consent agenda including agenda, bills, and 1//10/24 minutes. All ayes.

De Sindergard gave treasurer's report. Dewey/Pratt moved to approve treasurer's report. All ayes.

Council comments – Dewey inquired about the radar speed signs, still working on them. Also asked about the company that wanted to put cell tower on water tower. They never reached back out to Rolfe. Pratt stated that the utility bills are perforated for customer records.

Mayor comments – building is down, paperwork is submitted for reimbursement. Reiterated we did not make new ordinances they were just updated. Water tower light was out, repaired. Have not heard from the Code Enforcement officer about nuisance abatements, if don't here from him soon, Mayor will start writing letters again. Hoping we can work with IDOT to help take down trees during the Hwy 15 project. Sirens are being repaired.

No Utility reports.

Citizen Comments – De Sindergard gave an update about Poky Economic Development – There will be 4 Kaleidoscopes 1 will be in Rolfe, hoping to have ready by June 1st. Talked about the Heart of Iowa Housing trust fund. Working with another group to get at home workers to our community. Updating the county booklet.

Complaint forms – received one about junk, junk vehicles at a house on Cedar Street.

Unfinished Business – Court gave the city 202 Grant street, building inspector looked at house and stated that is wasn't worth saving. Estimate from Brandhoij for \$7000 to take down the house and garage. Dewey/Allen moved to hire Brandhoij to take the house down. All ayes. Carried.

Discussed other abandoned/empty houses and using the court system to acquire the houses and demolish or sell. Need to acquire list. No action taken at this time.

New Business

Sheriff Nelson gave update everything is going good.

Ahsley Stewart and Stephanie Sindt gave update on the pool committee. Bake sale went well, wants to contact inspector to look at pool. Have other calls out.

Joe Ramaekers wants to buy the other 66ft of the unpaved area on Cedar St. Allen/Dewey moved to start the process of selling portion of street. All ayes.

Higgins talked for Bob Guerttman. The driveway is very steep, and the sidewalk is exposed causing the car to scrape it, he wants to remove the sidewalk and replace with rock. Allen/Pratt moved to allow Bob Guerttman to remove sidewalk and replace with rock. All ayes.

Dewey/ Minkler moved to approve boiler rebate for Lutheran Church in the amount of \$1600.00. All ayes.

Al Brandhoii has put in an offer to take the school gym down for \$10,000, not the city shop that is attached. Discussion. Allen/Dewey moved to hire Al Brandhoij to remove and clean up the School gym. All ayes. Mayor discussed maintenance that would need to be done to shop.

Has been discussion on putting an area light to shine on the new water tower logo. Pratt/Jackson moved to go forward with getting the water tower lighted. All ayes.

Pratt/Allen moved to renew the Rolfe Golfe Course liquor license. All ayes.

Mayor discussed with council that he received a call from the DNR from an anonymous caller that the tree pile was burned. Mayor stated he will take the responsibility for it, he thought everything was ready to go. DNR wants the plan for future burns, discussion on ways to move forward.

COL raise for Perry. Allen/Minkler moved to approve resolution #718 a resolution approving wage,

benefits for James Perry. Ayes: Lana Pratt, Connie Dewey, Dan Allen, Rob Jackson & Al Minkler.
Allen/Pratt moved to approve Resolution #719 approving funding with the Iowa Living Roadways
Trust Fund. Ayes: Lana Pratt, Connie Dewey, Dan Allen, Rob Jackson & Al Minkler.
No new nuisance except for what mayor stated earlier during his comments.
Allen/Jackson moved to adjourn at 6:21pm.

Jim Pentico, Mayor

ATTEST:

Angela Montag, City Clerk