

ROLFE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, October 13, 2025
5:30 p.m.

The City Council of the City of Rolfe met on October 13, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. at the community center. Mayor Jim Pentico called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by roll call. Present were Clerk Henderson; Treasurer Sindergard; Council members Al Minkler, Rob Jackson, Dan Allen, Aaron Cox, Lana Pratt via phone; James Perry; and several citizens.

Cox/Allen, all ayes, approving the consent agenda including agenda, minutes from 9/8/25 & 10/6/25 meetings, and bills. Motion carried. Building permit #11-2025 for replacing antennae and radio equipment at 600 Broad St. was approved by Allen/Cox, all ayes. Building permit #12-2025 for replacing basement foundation at 205 Walnut St. was approved by Allen/Cox, all ayes. Building permit #13-2025 for a new shed at 401 First St. was approved by Allen/Cox, all ayes. Digging permit #14-2025 for removing sidewalk at 907 Oak St. was approved by Allen/Cox, all ayes.

Treasurer Sindergard reported for July & August. Cox/Allen, all ayes approving. No comments from Henderson or the Council. Mayor mentioned the nuisance at 806 Arthur St. and asked citizens to include a more detailed description of the topic they want to discuss at a meeting. Since emptying the pool, it has been drained 7 more times due to leaks/cracks in the pool bottom. Utility worker Perry reported on the smoke test results. One line was found, and he will look into repairs. Sarah Munson and her three grandkids addressed the Council regarding the future.

A public hearing was held at 5:45 p.m. for the purpose of amending Chapters 15 & 17 of the City Code: Mayor & Council. Cox/Allen, roll call Pratt, Cox, Allen, Jackson, Minkler, all ayes. There were several people present with no written objections on file. Mayor Pentico opened discussion for those in attendance. A citizen asked if a person's council pay could be donated. Response was that they could donate it themselves after the pay was issued to them. One asked if the Council currently receives \$50 per meeting with the answer being yes. Last question asked was if there were set working hours for the Mayor. No there isn't but the current Mayor puts in a lot of time. Mayor Pentico closed the hearing at 5:55 p.m. Allen/Cox, roll call vote, Minkler, Jackson, Allen, Pratt, Cox, all ayes, to close the public hearing. Cox/Allen, roll call Minkler, Jackson, Allen, Pratt, Cox, all ayes to introduce and place on the first reading "An Ordinance amending the code or ordinances of the City of Rolfe, Iowa, by amending provisions pertaining to the Mayor". Cox/Allen, roll call Minkler, Jackson, Allen, Pratt, Cox, all ayes to introduce and place on the first reading "An Ordinance amending the code or ordinances of the City of Rolfe, Iowa by amending provisions pertaining to the City Council."

Trick-or-treating date and time were revisited. Schedule will be as follows with all taking place on October 31st. The library will have a Halloween party from 4-5 p.m. Trick-or-treat and Trunk-or-treat will run from 5-7 p.m. with a meal being served by the Lion's Club from 5-7 p.m. in the Community Center. A Halloween dance will be at the golf course from 8-10

p.m. Cox/Minkler, all ayes. Testing the tornado sirens was the next topic. Cox/Minkler, all ayes to check with the Sheriff's Office about running a noon whistle Mon-Sat to verify they are working properly. Next step in purchasing a new fire truck is to approve the hiring of a grant writer. Allen/Cox, all ayes to hire Karin Anderson Grant writing for \$2,400. She has helped surrounding towns like Gilmore City acquire grants for new fire equipment. Per legal advice, the city must secure other funding options in case the grant is not awarded to the city. Meet & Greet the upcoming election candidates have been set for Thursday, October 30th, 6:00 p.m. at the Community Center.

Perry covered the smoke testing results during his utility reports. Black Hills Energy agreement was tabled until next meeting. 605 Elm St. property will be revisited at the next meeting also. M. Pirie has contacted City Hall regarding a utility deposit that was paid several years ago. The city nor Ms. Pirie have been able to locate any documentation regarding a deposit being paid. Cox/Allen, all ayes, no refund of deposit unless documentation is presented showing otherwise. J. Sauter was present to inquire about a bill regarding a curb stop repair. He will resolve this with the neighbor. No action taken by Council. Two different cases against the City were brought to the attention of all present. These two have cost the city \$3,857.50 in legal fees to date. There is one court case next week, with seven more in November.

Allen/Cox moved to adjourn at 6:47 p.m. All ayes.

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| Pd prior to meeting | | |
| Payroll | Net payroll Sept 19, 2025 | 4,979.93 |
| Dept Treasury | Fed/Fica | 1,328.01 |
| IPERS | IPERS-Sept | 1,841.43 |
| Treas St IA | State Tax-Sept | 246.84 |
| Payroll | Net payroll Oct 3, 2025 | 5,287.17 |
| Dept Treasury | Fed/Fica | 1,356.75 |
| Treas St IA | Sales Tax-Sept | 334.40 |
| Treas St IA | WET Tax-Sept | 556.29 |
| CITY BILLS: | Pd prior to meeting | |
| Airgas | Med Gases | 601.94 |
| Alliant | Electric | 6,334.48 |
| Aureon | Phone | 133.46 |
| B. Allen | Year #2 | 50.00 |
| Bomgaars | Supplies | 79.60 |
| Bound Tree | Ambulance | 162.62 |
| Delta Dental | Dental Ins-Oct | 47.28 |
| J. Behrendsen | Cleaning | 247.65 |
| Johnson, Mulholland | Legal | 4,452.12 |
| Wellmark | Health Ins-Oct | 997.86 |
| Windstream | Phone | 65.23 |
| CITY BILLS: | | |
| Airgas | Med Gases | 586.15 |
| Alliant | Electric | 3,803.34 |

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| APGA | Dues | 445.00 |
| Aureon | Phones | 158.27 |
| B. Allen | Year #2-Lifeguard | 50.00 |
| Bennett's | Sept GB | 6,428.00 |
| Brandhuij | 605 Elm | 227.30 |
| City of Moville | Code Enforce | 1,833.23 |
| CJ Cooper | Fees | 150.00 |
| Estherville Library | Training | 63.50 |
| Farm & Home | Pool | 68.92 |
| Foundation Labs | Labs | 375.75 |
| Gilmore Garden Center | Trees | 4,935.00 |
| Hawkins | Chemicals | 756.23 |
| IA Fire Control | Cameras | 2,511.00 |
| IAMU | Dues | 407.00 |
| IAMU | Training | 1,571.00 |
| IDNR | Fee | 115.00 |
| J. Behrendsen | Cleaning | 395.10 |
| J. North | Year #2-Lifeguard | 50.00 |
| Johnson, Mulholland | Civil Rights Complaint | 2,130.00 |
| K. Edwards | 2nd reissued check | 50.00 |
| K. Edwards | Year #2-Lifeguard | 50.00 |
| Luft & Sons | Dirt | 2,000.00 |
| Macqueen | Sweeper | 296.02 |
| Menards | Supplies | 136.79 |
| NW Comm | Phone | 166.16 |
| Office Elements | Supplies | 238.22 |
| PCC | Ambulance | 97.28 |
| Plastic Recycling | Timbers | 1,762.56 |
| Poca Co IT | Website | 30.00 |
| Poca Co Sheriff | Contract | 4,030.00 |
| Poca Co Solid Waste | Contract | 2,811.22 |
| Portable Pro | Streit Park | 350.00 |
| Pro Coop | Fuel | 2,333.05 |
| Record Democrat | Publishing | 163.93 |
| Rick's Septic | Jetting | 450.00 |
| Rolfe Auto | Supplies | 159.99 |
| Rolfe Heartland | Supplies | 68.25 |
| Sec of State | Notary | 30.00 |
| Seiler's | Library | 338.50 |
| Sindergard Excav | HTP/Repair | 285.00 |
| TP Anderson | Audit | 12,000.00 |
| UnityPoint | Lab | 50.00 |
| US Cellular | Phones | 182.86 |
| VISA | Supplies | 561.82 |
| Visual IT | Copies | 11.94 |
| W. Casstevens | Reimburse | 322.00 |
| Western Ins | Ins | 12,307.51 |

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| Z. Madren | Year #2-Lifeguard | 87.50 |
| Aug-25 | | |
| | Revenue | Expense |
| General | 4,125.08 | 34,886.48 |
| Hometown Pride | | 275.00 |
| Road Use | 5,820.90 | 11,516.75 |
| Emp Benefits | | 5,558.26 |
| LOST | 3,588.37 | |
| Fire Capt | 59.08 | |
| Sunset Ridge | | 1,076.84 |
| Water | 12,019.36 | 77,580.87 |
| Sewer | 9,471.16 | 7,449.08 |
| Gas | 10,664.71 | 27,175.56 |
| Garbage | 7,644.85 | 9,534.10 |
| Recycling | 1,178.64 | 621.45 |
| Storm Water | 1,018.23 | 1,998.39 |
| | 55,590.38 | 177,672.78 |

Jim Pentico, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brandi Henderson, City Clerk