

ROLFE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
Monday, September 8, 2025

The City Council of the City of Rolfe met on September 8, 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; James Perry; and several citizens.

Cox/Jackson, all ayes, approving the consent agenda including agenda, minutes from 8/11/25 & 8/21/25 meetings, and bills. Motion carried. Building permit #9-2025 for a porch addition at 300 Walnut St. was approved by Jackson/Cox, all ayes. Building permit #10-2025 for a wooden fence at 813 Broad St. was approved by Jackson/Allen, all ayes.

No monthly report from Treasurer Sindergard. Henderson gave an update on the upgraded software. Training has started and will hopefully be fully functional in November. Customers will be able to view their bills online, pay online, and use cards as a method of payment. The new walk-up window in City Hall has been completed. The window was donated by Allen's, along with Dan's time helping the contractor. A donation was made to cover the labor. Total cost to the City was \$0. Clerk asked that everybody please let the City officials do their jobs. Over \$2,700 has been paid to our attorney to respond to false claims turned into regulating agencies. No comments from the Council. Mayor reported there is still a small amount of work to be completed on the highway project. He wanted to thank everyone who came out the Lion's Club fundraiser. Also, thanks to all first responders for their hard work. No utility reports. Sarah Munson addressed the Council regarding the future and being faithful.

Allen made the motion to place the small chipper on the machinery auction. Motion died for lack of a second. Minkler motioned to list it for sale online and in the newspaper. Seconded by Cox, all ayes. Mayor presented an emergency natural gas leak response proposal to cover the City until a new hire is certified to cover the calls. Cox/Pratt, all ayes to engage in the contract with Black Hills Energy, which states the rate of \$125.00 per hour when needed. Fall clean-up days have been set for Oct 15-16. Two roll-off dumpsters will be delivered between the fire station and utility shop. All junk will have to be delivered to these dumpsters, no curb pickup. Pratt/Jackson, all ayes. Trick-or-Treating and Trunk-or-Treat have been set for Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup> from 2-4 p.m. Pratt/Cox, all ayes.

Mayor read the Proclamation on the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United States Post Office. Discussion was held on the Mayor/Council wages. These have remained unchanged since 1997. Cox presented his thoughts on changing the format of pay to lower the yearly overall expense. No decision was made. Utility fees for disconnected properties were discussed. Treasurer De reported on the high number of disconnects each month. Raising the disconnect/reconnect fee was suggested but no decision was made. Minkler/Pratt, all ayes to pause the Indeed ad for hiring and to interview the seven applicants that passed the initial background check. The future of the pool was next on the agenda. Park Board President Kevin Kerns passed around some pictures of the much needed repairs, which

will be very costly. Sarah Munson from the pool committee offered to pay for the antifreeze needed to winterize the pool. Cox/Pratt, all ayes to have the City cover half of the expenses for the antifreeze.

At 6:34 p.m. Cox/Allen, roll call vote Pratt, Cox, Allen, Jackson, Minkler, all ayes to enter closed session per Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(j) to discuss the purchase of real estate. At 6:44 p.m. Cox/Jackson, roll call vote Pratt, Cox, Allen, Jackson, Minkler, all ayes to open the meeting back up to the public. Motion by Allen/Jackson, all ayes to go with Bid A for the real estate.

Allen/Jackson moved to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. All ayes.

Pd prior to meeting		
Payroll	Net payroll Aug 22, 2025	8,335.02
Dept Treasury	Fed/Fica	1,871.72
IPERS	IPERS-Aug	3,760.48
Treas St IA	State Tax-Aug	675.18
Treas St IA	Sales Tax-July	349.33
Treas St IA	WET Tax-July	616.18
Payroll	Net payroll Sept 5, 2025	6,788.82
Dept Treasury	Fed/Fica	1,606.98
Treas St IA	Sales Tax-Aug	339.47
Treas St IA	WET Tax-Aug	578.56
CITY BILLS:		
Alliant	Electric	7,145.39
Clayton Energy	July Reservation	4,884.14
Clayton Energy	July Commodity	1,995.27
Dakota Supply	Sewer Supplies	519.60
Delta Dental	Sept Ins	47.28
Foundation	Labs	347.50
G. Munson	Mileage	99.40
Hach	Supplies	409.57
Hawkins	Chemicals	1,692.42
Johnson, Mulholland	Legal	2,763.75
NW Comm	Internet	166.16
Office Elements	Supplies	43.51
PEFA	July Commodity	3,287.24
Ray Krips Const	Window	665.61
US Cellular	Phones	182.86
Visual Edge	Copier	12.59
Wellmark	Sept Ins	1,018.28
Windstream	Phone	65.23
CITY BILLS:		
Aureon	Phone	24.00
Bennett's	Contract	6,428.00
Bomgaars	Clothing	585.34
Carquest	Supplies	63.51

City of Moville	Nuisance	664.00
C. Poppen	2024 permits	60.00
Dakota Supply	Supplies	33.90
D. Sindergard	Reimburse-Supplies	30.80
Farm & Home	Supplies	68.92
Foundation	Labs	157.25
Hawkins	Chemicals	783.94
Kerns Ent.	Labor	812.50
Rec Demo	Legals/Ads	424.49
Poca Solid Waste	Landfill	2,818.22
Pro Coop	Fuel	274.28
Rolfe Heartland	Fuel	78.64
SWANK	Library License	1,080.00
The Machine Shop	Fire Dept	592.87
VISA	Supplies	527.64

Jul-25

	Revenue	Expense
General	12,837.35	34,832.09
Library	1,000.00	
Hometown Pride	415.70	592.96
Road Use	5,560.54	2,007.38
Emp Benefits	1,503.68	2,014.58
LOST	6,175.02	
Debt Service	767.72	
Water	14,255.77	11,105.42
Sewer	10,304.48	3,561.72
Gas	6,293.49	18,331.90
Garbage	8,285.76	9,103.65
Recycling	1,343.21	537.88
Storm Water	1,078.02	348.06
	69,820.74	82,435.64

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Jim Pentico, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Brandi Henderson, City Clerk