

**MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
VENTURA, IOWA**

Item # 1 –Call Meeting to order/roll call

A regular meeting of the City Council of Ventura, Iowa was held on March 27, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Joe Schmit. The meeting was held at Ventura City Hall, with the following Council Members present: John Quintus, Daryl Heinemann, John Horrigan, Mike Thackery and Brad Peterson via phone. Also present were: City Administrator/Clerk Donna Powers, Public Works Director Bill Bredlow, City Attorney Michael Moeller and Lieutenant Brandon Heinz with the Clear Lake Police Department. Absent: none

Item # 2 - Consent Agenda

Motion by Heinemann/Thackery to approve the consent agenda for March 27, 2023. Passed unanimously.

- a. Agenda March 27, 2023
- b. Regular Minutes March 13, 2023
- c. Claims Register March 27, 2023

604e	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	15-Mar-23	\$1,628.41	941 PR TAXES PR 6.0 3-15-23
29942	BREDLOW, WILLIAM D	15-Mar-23	\$1,691.63	PAYROLL
29943	POWERS, DONNA, M	15-Mar-23	\$1,635.31	PAYROLL
29944	SHROPSHIRE, COUGAN	15-Mar-23	\$1,281.18	PAYROLL
29945	ABC LOCK INC	27-Mar-23	\$375.00	COMM CTR LOCKS
29946	ALLIANT ENERGY-IP&L	27-Mar-23	\$4,793.50	UTILITIES
29948	BROTHERS ACE HARDWARE	27-Mar-23	\$11.16	CC - KEY RINGS
29949	CITY OF CLEAR LAKE	27-Mar-23	\$59,363.15	28E CLPD CONTRACT FY22-23 2ND 1/2 PMT
29950	DIAMOND VOGEL PAINTS	27-Mar-23	\$518.21	PAINT - DUMPTRUCK & POSTOFFICE
29951	FEDEX	27-Mar-23	\$79.10	WT - SMPL SHIPPING
29952	FIVE STAR CO-OP	27-Mar-23	\$33.65	CC - SOFTNER SALT
29953	IAMU	27-Mar-23	\$728.00	WT - ANNUAL MEMBER DUES
29954	JIM HUNT ELECTRIC	27-Mar-23	\$224.62	CC - OUTSIDE LIGHT/BACK STEPS
29955	MENARDS	27-Mar-23	\$52.96	PW - SUPPLIES
29956	MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING CORP	27-Mar-23	\$109.89	LEGAL PUBLICATION - MINUTES 2/27/23
29957	MIDWEST SAFETY COUNSELORS, INC	27-Mar-23	\$195.00	FD - INSTRUMENT CALIBRATION
29958	OFFICE OF AUDITOR OF STATE	27-Mar-23	\$75.00	FILING FEE - AUDIT FY21-22 REMAIN AMT DUE
29959	QUILL CORPORATION	27-Mar-23	\$741.98	PW & CH - SUPPLIES
29960	USA BLUEBOOK	27-Mar-23	\$752.31	WT - LAB EQUIPMENT PW - SAFETY EQUIP
29961	VANWALL EQUIPMENT	27-Mar-23	\$55.06	PW - TRACTOR PLATE
29962	VERIZON WIRELESS	27-Mar-23	\$80.02	FD - TELECOMMUNICATIONS
29963	WOODFORD-WHEELER CO.	27-Mar-23	\$256.50	PW - WORKSPACE MATERIALS
29964	ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	27-Mar-23	\$56.97	PW - DUMPTRK DEFF
29965	INTERSTATE ALL BATTERY CENTER	27-Mar-23	\$144.30	FD - RANGER BATTERY
			\$74,882.91	

Item # 3 - Police Report – Lt. Heinz presented the police report. 46 calls for service from 3/13/2023 – 3/26/2023: Animal at Large (1), Assist Other Agency (1), Business Check (8), CL Medical Call (2), Community Policing (4), Disorderly (1), Found Property (1), Motorist Assist (1), Radar (7), Reckless Driver (3), Suspicious Person (1), Traffic Stop (14), Verbal Domestic (1), Wild Animal Complaint (1).

Item # 4 – Edwards Brandt, Tom Douglas – City Insurance Policy

Powers informed the Council the amount budgeted for the City’s tort liability insurance does not allow for the increase in the renewed policy premiums. Currently the budgeted amount is \$35,000, the new premium will be \$40,724. Powers met with Tom Douglas to discuss other deductible options for the policy. Douglas gave further detail to the council regarding the City’s insurance policy noting that once the water treatment plant is in operation, the building will be added to the policy therefore increasing the cost. Council discussed the options to either increase the deductible amount which decreases the premium or maintain the current deductible. Powers noted maintaining the current policy will require a budget amendment to allow for the additional expense. Motion by Quintus and seconded by Thackery to maintain the current policy deductible with the premium of \$40,724.

Item # 5 – FY22-23 2nd Budget Amendment – Fix Date and Approve Notice for Public Hearing in the Clear Lake Mirror Reporter

Powers summarized the proposed amendment. Debt service and transfers changed due to the amortization tables for the Revenue Bond and GO Bond not being finalized during the initial budget process.

Motion by Horrigan and seconded by Quintus to set the public hearing date for the FY22-23 2nd Budget Amendment for April 10, 2023 and publish notice in the Clear Lake Mirror Reporter. Passed unanimously.

Item # 6 – Public Works Public Works Director Bill Bredlow reported on the following items:

- a. Fire Department Equipment Maintenance
- b. New hire training
- c. Tree planting date has been pushed back. New date is to be announced.
- d. Large item pick-up and Shred-It event will take place Saturday, April 22nd.
- e. Bredlow has been in contact with Clear Lake regarding street sweeping.
- f. Shawver Well is in the process of drilling the well.

Item # 7 – Old Business – Powers informed the Council that the trail project is in NEPA review and sovereign lands permit process. Once complete the final design will proceed.

Powers and Bredlow met with Trace Kendig, Sector Technology Group regarding an insurance status system. Kendig will bring more information to a future council meeting.

Item # 8 - New Business – Powers and Council discussed the upcoming fiscal year's monthly capital improvement fee and usage charge. Powers stated the current fee is not adequate to cover the revenue bond upcoming principal payments. Additional operating costs will rise when the water treatment plant is in operation. Council requested additional information. No formal action was taken on this item.

Item # 9 – Public Forum none

Item # 10 – Adjournment

Motion by Thackery and seconded by Horrigan to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m. Passed unanimously.

Joe Schmit, Mayor

Donna Powers, City Clerk/Administrator