

**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 May 22, 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: Daryl Heinemann, John Horrigan, John Quintus and Mike Thackery present via phone. Also present were: City Administrator/Clerk Donna Powers, Public Works Director Bill Bredlow, Library Director Geri Delaney and Police Lieutenant Deb Ryg with the Clear Lake Police Department. Absent: Brad Peterson.

Item # 2 - Consent Agenda

Motion by Quintus/Horrigan to approve the consent agenda for May 22, 2023. Passed unanimously.

- a. Agenda May 22, 2023
- b. Regular Minutes May 8, 2023
- c. Claims Register May 22, 2023
- d. Treasurer’s Report – April 2023

620e	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	10-May-23	\$1,490.95	941 PR TAXES
621e	IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	15-May-23	\$96,710.00	RB -DOF84R REV BOND PRINCIPAL/INT
622e	IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	15-May-23	\$12,504.88	D0614G GO LOAN INTEREST AND SRVC FEE
30042	DELANEY, GERI	01-May-23	\$1,984.95	PAYROLL
30043	DOMONOSKE, TAMARA	01-May-23	\$990.35	PAYROLL
30044	LECKBAND, CHRISTY	01-May-23	\$351.56	PAYROLL
30045	MATHEW NOLAN, CLARK	01-May-23	\$164.59	PAYROLL
30046	MORROW, JUSTIN	01-May-23	\$213.37	PAYROLL
30047	ROENFANZ, LOUANNA KAY	01-May-23	\$388.36	PAYROLL
30048	TAYLOR, ELSE	01-May-23	\$119.50	PAYROLL
30077	BREDLOW, WILLIAM D	10-May-23	\$1,714.79	PAYROLL
30078	POWERS, DONNA, M	10-May-23	\$1,655.69	PAYROLL
30079	SHROPSHIRE, COUGAN	10-May-23	\$1,322.48	PAYROLL
30080	ALLIANT ENERGY-IP&L	22-May-23	\$3,612.89	UTILITIES
30081	BECKY CHIZEK	22-May-23	\$200.00	REFUND HALL DEPOSIT EVENT 5/13/2023
30082	CITY OF CLEAR LAKE	22-May-23	\$600.00	AMBULANCE CALLS APR 2023 (6)
30083	FEDEX	22-May-23	\$16.50	WT SMPL SHIPPING
30084	GOODNATURE WORK STOP	22-May-23	\$26.99	EMPLOYEE SHIRT - MC
30085	HANCOCK COUNTY COOP OIL	22-May-23	\$2,124.35	FUEL - PW & FD
30086	HOTSY EQUIPMENT COMPANY	22-May-23	\$121.15	PW - POWERWASHER REPAIR
30087	HYGIENIC LABORATORY	22-May-23	\$53.50	LAB FEES
30088	JIM HUNT ELECTRIC	22-May-23	\$190.40	OUTLET
30089	KIMBERLY LUNDGREN	22-May-23	\$500.00	SNOW STORAGE
30090	MENARDS	22-May-23	\$43.60	MULCH/TREE GUARDS
30091	MERCYONE OCC. HEALTH	22-May-23	\$117.00	EMPLOYEE DRUG & ALCOHOL SCREENING
30092	MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING	22-May-23	\$147.51	LEGAL PUBLICATION - MINUTES 4/24/23
30093	STERICYCLE	22-May-23	\$1,164.60	SHREDDING EVENT 4/22/23
30094	VERIZON WIRELESS	22-May-23	\$80.02	FD - TELECOMMUNICATIONS
30095	WELLMARK BLUECROSS	22-May-23	\$7,923.40	HEALTH INSURANCE
			\$136,533.38	

April 2023 Revenue Totals by Fund

General Fund	\$170,659.88
Road Use Fund	\$7,964.71
Local Option Sales Tax	\$8,649.05
Special Assessments	\$0
Debt Service	\$86,640.39
Capital Project	\$0
Water Fund	\$16,198.46
Sewer Fund	\$5,485.36
Total	\$295,597.85

April 2023 Claim Totals by Fund

General Fund	\$91,520.99
Road Use Fund	\$5,289.92
Local Option Sales Tax	\$7,046.45
Special Assessments	\$0.00
Debt Service	\$214,475.00
Capital Project	\$0
Water Fund	\$22,571.23
Sewer Fund	\$2,456.27
Total	\$343,359.86

Item # 3 - Police Report

Lieutenant Ryg presented the police report. 33 calls for service from 5/8/2023 – 5/21/2023: Business Check (4), CL Medical Call (1), Community Policing (4), Conservation Offense (1), Fire Brush/Grass (1), Hang Up (8), Park/Event Check (2), Radar (2), Special Assignment (1), Test Call (1), Traffic Stop (8).

Item # 4 – Resolution 23-10 – A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF MICHAEL MOELLER AND APPOINTING JOHN G. SORENSEN, SORENSEN LAW OFFICE AS CITY ATTORNEY

Resolution 23-10 – A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF MICHAEL MOELLER AND APPOINTING JOHN G. SORENSEN, SORENSEN LAW OFFICE AS CITY ATTORNEY was introduced by Quintus and seconded by Heinemann, to approve the resignation of Michael Moeller and appointing John G. Sorensen as City Attorney. The roll call vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Thackery, Horrigan, Heinemann and Quintus

Nays: none.

Whereupon Mayor Schmit declared Resolution 23-10 duly adopted.

Item #5 - Ordinance No. 202, 3rd and Final Reading – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF VENTURA, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO WATER RATES TO INCREASE THE MONTHLY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FEE, USAGE CHARGE AND ADDING BULK WATER SALES RATE

Powers presented the third reading of an ordinance that would increase the capital improvement fee from the current \$10.00 to \$24.00, a water usage rate increase from \$5.00 per one thousand gallons of water to \$6.00 per one thousand gallons of water and a bulk water rate of \$15.00 per one thousand gallons of bulk water.

Motion by Heinemann and seconded by Horrigan to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 202, 3rd and Final Reading – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF VENTURA, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO WATER RATES TO INCREASE THE MONTHLY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FEE, USAGE CHARGE AND ADDING BULK WATER SALES RATE.

Whereupon the Mayor put the question upon the motion and the following named Council Members voted as follows:

Ayes Quintus, Thackery, Horrigan and Heinemann

Nays none

Whereupon the Mayor declared Ordinance No. 202 duly adopted.

Item # 6 - Public Works

Public Works Director Bill Bredlow reported on the following items:

- a. Street line painting was completed on May 19th.
- b. Maguire Iron, Inc. conducted a water tank inspection on 4-8-2023. Bredlow shared a copy of the inspection report. He noted the overall condition was good and in compliance.
- c. Regarding the water flow and intake issue on N. Weimer St. Bredlow researched installing a curb and gutter on the west side of the road and an additional intake. Council requested Bredlow move forward with an engineer's review and bids. Council requested a list of upcoming infrastructure projects.

Item # 7 – Old Business

Library Director Geri Delaney and Library Board Chair Carol Prescott gave an update on the library summer reading program kickoff and time capsule opening scheduled for June 10th, 2023 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Ventura Street in front of the public library will be closed for the event beginning at 8:00 a.m. The name of the event will be "Past to Present, Finding Your Voice"

Powers informed the council that Tad Gabrielson, 17 Marflow St., contacted her regarding the condition of Marflow St. He requested the council visit the area to see the condition. Gabrielson requested this item be placed on the June 12, 2023 council agenda for discussion.

Bredlow reported Cerro Gordo County contacted city staff regarding a dip in the road north of Highway 18 on Balsam Ave. They will be doing a slurry leveling project and offered to address this section of road at that time. Bredlow will obtain further information from Veenstra & Kimm before moving forward.

Item # 8 - New Business none

Item # 9 – Public Forum none

Item # 10 – Adjournment

Motion by Thackery and seconded by Horrigan to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. Passed unanimously.

Joe Schmit, Mayor
Donna Powers, City Clerk/Administrator