

**Wheatland City Council Proceedings
July 10, 2023**

Mayor Wiese called the regular meeting of the Wheatland City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. with council members Houzenga, Hicks, and Fauser present. Grau and Stankee were absent.

The **consent agenda** included the minutes of the June 12th meeting, clerk's Financial Report, Approval of Wheatland Grocery's liquor license and the following revenues and expenses:

Bills paid prior to Meeting: 941 Tax – 3,926.51, IPERS – 2,655.90 State Sales & Excise Tax – 585.64, Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield, Matt Cavey policy – 2,711.00, Alliant Energy, utilities – 6,138.82, KE Flatworks, pay request #3, polishing reactor – 112,100.00, WGML Refuse Commission, monthly fee – 2,900.00, P&K Midwest, new mower – 8,250.00 **Bills payable for Meeting:** ACCO. Chemicals -781.00 Adam Grau, mileage – 38.85 Badger Meter, tech support – 73.93 Baker & Taylor, books – 231.89 Clinton County Secondary Roads Dept, Bridge loan – 16,410.15 Clinton County Sheriff's Office, monthly contract – 1,600.20 Dakota Kueter, reimbursement – 459.00 ECIA, dues – 573.50 F & B Communications, internet & phone service – 403.38 First Trust & Savings Bank, recycling truck payment – 1,289.30 Hawkins, chemical – 40.00 Ion Environmental, sample testing – 580.00 Iowa DNR, PWS annual fee - 85.27 Jayson Cavey, clothing allowance and cell phone- 550.00 Jeremiah Wiese, mileage – 17.44 JJJ Enterprises, cap waterline – 280.00 Keystone Labs, water testing – 85.50 K.E. Flatworks, Pay app #4 – 85,500.00 Laurie Ganzer, Cell phone- 300.00 LincolnWay Community Foundation, donation – 1,391.00 LL Pelling Co., tar and chip – 39,512.70 Lowden Plumbing & Heating, repairs at library -115.10 Matt Cavey, Clothing allowance and Cell phone- 550.00 Meghan Ganzer, Cell phone – 75.00 MSA Professional Services, polishing pond project – 3,000.00 Observer, publications – 93.96 Orkin, pest control – 742.56 OverDrive online book- 462.75 Petersen Insurance, audit – 1,033.00 QC Networks, freight – 23.81 RVH, fuel – 538.31 Staples, office supplies – 226.32 Technology Solutions, email change – 90.00 WEMS- 4,000.00 Wheatland Wire, publications – 60.00 YWCA, donation- 625.00 **Gross Wages:** \$ 18,504.24 **Revenues:** General Fund – 21,919.29 Employee Benefits – 1,289.60 Road Use – 9,619.45 Water – 6,614.55 Sewer – 142,977.11 Garbage – 3,714.23 Recycling – 1,054.68 **Total Revenues – 187,188.91 Expenses:** General Fund – 27,595.66 Employee Benefits – 2,074.59 Road Use – 4,362.05 Water – 5,592.80 Sewer – 164,063.68 Garbage – 3,730.81 Recycling – 2,338.39 **Total Expenses – 209,757.98**

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Houzenga with a second by Hicks. All ayes.

A motion to approve pay request #4 for the polishing pond project in the amount of \$85,500.00 was made by Hicks with a second by Fauser. All ayes.

At 6:35pm a motion to open a public hearing for CDBG Grant and Status of Funds was made by Hicks with a second by Fauser. All Ayes.

WHEATLAND WASTEWATER FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS
POLISHING REACTOR
PROJECT 22-WS-013

CDBG STATUS OF FUNDED ACTIVITIES
PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA-NARRATIVE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE STATUS OF FUNDED ACTIVITIES FOR THE CITY OF WHEATLAND'S WASTEWATER FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

The project is being funded through a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) provided by the Iowa Economic Development Authority, a Wastewater Financial Assistance Program grant through the Iowa Finance Authority, and a loan through the Iowa State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF).

As of 7/10/2023:

CDBG Funding Awarded:	up to	\$300,000
Requested to Date:		\$111,857
Remaining:		\$178,143

WTFAP Grant:	up to	\$400,000.00
Requested to Date:		\$289,904.71
Remaining:		\$110,095.29

SRF CW Loan:	up to	\$559,000.00
Requested to Date:		\$117,795.00
Remaining:		\$441,205.00

*Includes \$2,795 for Loan Initiation Fee & \$115,000 for P&D Loan Payoff

Please contact City Hall and/or Tara Walters with MSA at 563-424-3695 with any questions.

Additional Comments:

Sharon Westerhof inquired how the new construction will affect her bill. Laurie Ganzer explained billing systems and that bills already are set to reflect the funds needed to pay the loan.

At 6:40 p.m. a motion to close the public hearing was made by Hicks with a second by Houzenga. All ayes.

Resident Sharon Westerhof was present regarding a complaint about the chickens located at her neighbor's residence. The Council discussed Sharon's Concerns.

A motion for the allowance for the current 4 hens to stay in the enclosed space if there are no more complaints from neighbors was made by Hicks with a second by Houzenga. All ayes

A motion to approve the final reading of Ordinance 202-24 which is for the annual 3% water rate increase was made by Houzenga with a second by Hicks. All ayes.

A motion for Resolution 2024-01 to assess past due bills for account # 6001 to property taxes was made by Hicks with a Second by Fauser. All ayes.

A motion to give the Clerk permission to have vehicles towed that cover utility shut offs as needed for the foreseeable future was made by Houzenga with a second by Hicks. All ayes.

Reports – City Maintenance gave an update that the new John Deere Lawn mower has arrived and will be put into service, Hydrants will be flushed July 13th, 2023 from 7:30am- 3:00pm.

Clerk has sent a letter regarding past due utility account 195100, also informed the council of complaints regarding 112 S Wright St and the lawn not being mowed. She will be sending a letter to the owner that it needs to be mowed no later than 3pm on Friday, July 14, 2023.

At 7:16 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Hicks with a second by Houzenga. All ayes.

Jeremiah Wiese - Mayor

Attest:

Meghan Ganzer, City Clerk