## **Slater City Council Meeting January 9, 2023**

The meeting of the Slater City Council was called to order by Mayor John Kahler at 7:30pm on January 9, 2023, at Slater City Hall, 101 Story Street, Slater, Iowa. Roll being called Present: Sue Erickson (via Zoom), Ken May, Joel Newman, Shawn Birdsall, and Tina Howell. Absent: None. Also present: Jennifer Davies – City Administrator / Clerk.

Motion by May, seconded by Birdsall, to approve the consent agenda. Items approved include agenda for January 9, 2023 meeting; minutes from the December 12 and December 19, 2022 meetings; and claims paid totaling \$ 112,940.36. Motion approved with a vote of 5–0.

VENDOR	REFERENCE	<u>AMOUNT</u>	
AHLERS & COONEY P.C.	SEPT BOND/VOTE PREP	\$	2,253.30
ALLIANT ENERGY	UTILITIES 5231311000	\$	14,456.81
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	ACCT # A29CRGDM0GBBXE	\$	449.70
AMERICAN UNDERGROUND SUPPLY	FIRE HYDRANTS & SUPPLIES	\$	12,598.49
AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSN.	3/1/23 THRU 2/29/2024 DUES	\$	90.00
AUDITOR OF STATE	AUDIT FILLING FEE	\$	625.00
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	BOOKS	\$	469.48
BOWMAN & MILLER, P.C.	FY 2022 AUDIT	\$	11,000.00
ELAN	CASTER, W2 FORMS, LIB PROGRAMS	\$	7,040.55
CASEY'S MASTERCARD	FUEL	\$	262.25
CENTRAL IOWA DISTRIBUTING, INC	ICE MELT & GLASS CLEANER	\$	689.00
COCKERHAM CONCRETE	505 4TH CURB & GUTTER	\$	600.00
CULLIGAN	WATER	\$	46.87
CYBRARIAN	ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION/LICENSE	\$	529.95
D & D PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL @ PUBLIC WORKS	\$	200.00
ECHO GROUP, INC	POWER OUTLET 20A 120V W/BRKR	\$	276.78
FICA	FED/FICA TAX	\$	4,340.92
FINCO	REMOVAL & GRIND SPRUCE & CEDAR	\$	1,200.00
FIRE SERVICE TRAINING BUREAU	INSTR1 FOR TODD TROGU	\$	50.00
GARBAGE GUYS	GARBAGE SERVICE	\$	491.00
GIS BENEFITS	LIFE INSURANCE	\$	122.32
HAWKINS, INC	CHEMICALS	\$	1,404.37
HEARTLAND AG SYSTEMS	PARTS	\$	24.54
HOKEL MACHINE SUPPLY, INC.	WEDGE ANCHOR	\$	190.08
HORNBUCKLE, DARLA	MILEAGE FOR TOUR OF HOMES 12/2	\$	12.40
HUXLEY COMMUNICATIONS	PHONES, INTERNET	\$	498.32
INTERSTATE BATTERY OF UPPER IA	BATTERY FOR FIRE TRUCK 312	\$	677.56
IOWA ONE CALL	IOWA ONE CALL	\$	45.10
ISOLVED BENEFIT SERVICES WDM	SELF FUNDING ADMIN	\$	387.50
JEO CONSULTING GROUP INC	WT&SW TO SIEVERS/LT INDUSTRIAL	\$	2,280.00
JORDAN & MAHONEY	AUDIT RESPONSE	\$	60.00
KEMPKERS TRUE VALUE	THERMOMETER	\$	19.47
KEYSTONE LABORATORIRES	TESTING	\$	367.25

LAWSON PRODUCTS	DRILL SET, REGENCY KIT;SFTY GL	\$ 240.89
LOCALIQ	LEGAL PUBLICATIONS	\$ 399.37
MAX MOULDEN	EMS TRAINING	\$ 460.00
MENARDS - AMES	GABLE VENT, GATE CLIP, GR TRT	\$ 1,112.36
MENARDS - ANKENY	DUCT TAPE, HAMMER DRILL BIT	\$ 37.16
METERING & TECHNOLOGY SOL	MAG METER CIRCUIT BOARD/PROG	\$ 1,060.66
MICROBAC LABORATORIES INC	TESTING	\$ 198.50
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC.	TERMINAL	\$ 6,555.45
OMNISITE	ANNUAL FEE FOR SW&SW ALARMS	\$ 404.00
PLUMB SUPPLY COMPANY	NIPPLE & ELBOW	\$ 62.20
POSTMASTER-SLATER	January water bill postage	\$ 280.72
SAFE BUILDING COMPLIANCE&TECH	INSPECTIONS	\$ 300.00
SECRETARY OF STATE	KAREN DENGER/NOTARY RENEWAL	\$ 30.00
SENSUS USA INC	ANNUAL SOFTWARE SUPPORT	\$ 1,949.94
SLATER FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOC	SEPT, NOV, DEC 2022 MEETINGS	\$ 92.00
SNYDER & ASSOCIATES	WWTF-ENGINEERING	\$ 730.88
STOREY KENWORTHY	UTILITY BILL FORMS	\$ 725.00
STORY CO TREASURER (SHERIFF)	FY 2023 3RD QTR PAYMENT	\$ 25,139.33
TOWN & COUNTRY MARKET	MEAT & CHEESE TRAY	\$ 53.18
UNITED BENEFIT SOCIETY, INC	FIRE LIFE INSURANCE	\$ 35.00
US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	COPIER CONTRACT	\$ 61.08
VAN-WALL EQUIPMENT	ELBOW FITTING	\$ 0.81
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONES	\$ 206.55
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS & SHIELD	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 7,730.56
WENDLING QUARRIES, INC	BALL DIAMOND LIME	\$ 246.81
XENIA	WATER USAGE 11/15 THRU12/16/22	\$ 1,068.90

56,486.89

18,092.08

48,717.24 2,893.33 89,890.66

January Expenses above by category:

**GENERAL** 

December Revenues = \$ 216,080.20

Library Director, Jennifer Gogerty, reported they are working on accreditation, which is due in February. This includes a survey and an updated 5 year plan which are now complete. The Library will be starting a new program for babies. And all the Libraries in Story Co met with the County Supervisors to discuss

the distribution of funding.

EMS Chief Fleenor reported calls for December and all of 2022; Pitcher has elected not to return after her leave of absence; Moulden's are finishing up training/testing. AED needs replaced. Currently, Slater EMS is using the one purchased for the pool because replacement batteries are NOT available; Story County is completing a needs assessment for local services; and there is discussion of what it would take to get a vote passed to recognize EMS as an "Essential Service" and potentially collect tax dollars as a revenue source.

Motion was made by May, seconded by Newman, to waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and have the 3<sup>rd</sup> / Final reading for Ordinance #295: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 230 AND GRANTING TO INTERSTATE POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, A NON-EXCLUSIVE TWENTY-FIVE YEAR FRANCHISE TO ERECT, CONSTRUCT, RECONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN, AND OPERATE PLANT AND SYSTEMS FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF NATURAL GAS IN THE CITY OF SLATER, IOWA AND TO SELL, DISTRIBUTE, AND SUPPLY NATURAL GAS TO SAID CITY AND ITS INHABITANTS, AND REQUIRING SAID COMPANY TO PAY A FRANCHISE FEE TO THE CITY. Roll Call vote: Ayes: May, Newman, Erickson, Birdsall, and Howell. Nays: none

Motion was made by May, seconded by Birdsall, to waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and have the 3<sup>rd</sup> / Final reading for Ordinance #296: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 171, AND GRANTING TO INTERSTATE POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, A NON-EXCLUSIVE TWENTY-FIVE YEAR FRANCHISE TO ACQUIRE, CONSTRUCT, ERECT, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE AN ELECTRIC SYSTEM IN THE CITY OF SLATER, IOWA AND TO FURNISH AND SELL ELECTRIC ENERGY TO THE CITY AND ITS INHABITANTS, AND REQUIRING SAID COMPANY TO PAY A FRANCHISE FEE TO THE CITY. Roll call vote: Ayes: May, Birdsall, Howell, Erickson, and Newman. Nays: none

Council reviewed the recommendation to add 2 holidays to the Employee Handbook. This item was tabled for more information.

Council considered Ordinance #297: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING TIME LIMIT FOR PUBLIC FORUM AT ALL MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL AND/OR ANY CITY BOARDS OR COMMISSIONS. This item was tabled for revisions, additions, and review by City Attorney.

Council reviewed and considered Ordinance #298: AN ORDINANCE CHANGING MEETING TIME FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS. Motion was made by Birdsall, seconded by Howell, to establish the meeting time of 6pm (changing it from the current time of 7:30pm) and hold the 1st reading of said Ordinance. Roll call vote: Ayes: Birdsall, Howell, May, Newman, and Erickson. Nays: none

Council reviewed FY 2022 Audit report completed by Bowman and Miller. Motion was made by Newman, seconded by Howell to approve and accept said Audit Report. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Motion was made by Newman, seconded by Howell, to approve Resolution #25 (2022-2023): Setting a Public Hearing for the FY 2024 Max Levy Rate during the next regular scheduled Council meeting to be held February 13, 2023 starting at 7:30pm. Motion approved with a vote of 5-0.

Council considered Resolution #26: Request for Zero Interest loan for "The Parlour"/ 321 Main Street. Item was tabled for more information.

A resident discussed issues with a neighbor using a pellet gun and causing damage to others property. Since the Sheriff has already spoken with the individual, Council suggested videoing the individual would be beneficial in being able to take further action.

Motion by Newman, seconded by Birdsall, to adjourn the meeting at 8:47pm. All Ayes.

Reminder: Budget work session for Council is scheduled for Monday, January 23, 2023 @ 5:30 pm at Slater City Hall, 101 Story Street, Slater, Iowa