

Slater City Council Meeting May 8, 2023

Slater City Council met in closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Sec. 21.5(1)(c) to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation; beginning at 5:34pm at Slater City Hall, 101 Story Street, Slater, Iowa for discussion of the Sewer Agreement with Sheldahl. Those present were Mayor John Kahler, Council members Sue Erickson, Ken May, Shawn Birdsall, and Tina Howell. Also present: Mark Land- City Engineer with Snyder and Associates; Maria Brownell-Legal Counsel with Ahlers and Cooney via phone; Jennifer Davies – City Administrator/Clerk; and Mark Estrem – Public Works Director. Closed Session ended at 6:02pm.

The regular/open session of the Slater City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor John Kahler at 6:05pm on May 8, 2023, at Slater City Hall, 101 Story Street, Slater, Iowa. Roll being called Present: Sue Erickson, Ken May, Shawn Birdsall, and Tina Howell. Absent: Joel Newman. Also present: Jennifer Davies – City Administrator / Clerk; and Mark Estrem- Public Works Director.

Council discussed the Sewer Agreement with Sheldahl. Motion was made by Erickson, seconded by Howell, to accept the informal proposal from the City of Sheldahl to have Sheldahl pay 12.5 % of the total costs associated with design and construction for the new waste water treatment facility and to have the new fee for operations and maintenance begin 7/1/2023. Motion approved with a vote 4-0.

Motion by May, seconded by Howell, to approve the consent agenda. Items approved include agenda for May 8, 2023 meeting; minutes from the April 10, 2023 meeting; and claims paid totaling \$433,761.23. Motion approved with a vote of 4–0.

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>REFERENCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
ACCO	POOL PAINT	\$ 3,987.10
AHLERS & COONEY P.C.	SHELDAHL SEWER CONTRACT	\$ 2,062.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	UTILITIES 5231311000	\$ 11,347.87
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	ACCT # A29CRGDM0GBBXE	\$ 1,142.75
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	BOOKS	\$ 1,004.51
CARROLL CONSTRUCTION SUPPLY	2'X4' BLACK PAVEMENT	\$ 324.64
CASEY'S MASTERCARD	FUEL	\$ 332.15
CULLIGAN	WATER	\$ 48.62
DRAINTECH	PUMPED PIT @ LAGOON	\$ 425.00
ECHO GROUP, INC	CANOPY LIGHT	\$ 81.35
ELAN / CREDIT CARD	POOL LICENSE; GAURD TRAIN; LIBRARY	\$ 3,303.02
FICA	FED/FICA TAX	\$ 4,331.50
GARBAGE GUYS	GARBAGE SERVICE	\$ 491.00
GIS BENEFITS	LIFE INSURANCE	\$ 122.32
HAWKINS, INC	CHEMICALS	\$ 1,321.41
HUXLEY COMMUNICATIONS	PHONES, INTERNET	\$ 498.32
INTERSTATE BATTERY OF UPPER IA	GENERATOR	\$ 155.51
IOWA DEPT OF INSPECTIONS & APP	LICENSING FEES/FUNDRAISING	\$ 150.00
IOWA DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION		\$ 182.26
ISOLVED BENEFIT SERVICES WDM	SELF FUNDING ADMIN	\$ 20.00
JEO CONSULTING GROUP INC	WT & SW EXPANSION TO SIEVERS	\$ 5,311.25
KEMPKERS TRUE VALUE	WHEELBARROW	\$ 201.94
MICROBAC LABORATORIES INC	TESTING	\$ 177.00
LOCALIQ	LEGAL PUBLICATIONS	\$ 326.87
MALLON EXCAVATING, L.L.C.	DELIVERY OF ROCK FOR 500TH AVE	\$ 2,186.08
MANFULL CONSTRUCTION	STUMP GRINDING	\$ 2,250.00
MARTIN OIL WHOLESALE	FUEL	\$ 813.60
MENARDS - AMES	SHOP LT; STAIN; GFCI; SWITCH	\$ 1,300.00
PLUMB SUPPLY COMPANY	BALL VALVE; O-RING	\$ 30.82
PORTABLE PRO, INC	PORTABLE RESTROOMS	\$ 330.00
POSTMASTER-SLATER	MAY WATER BILLS	\$ 308.64
SAFE BUILDING COMPLIANCE&TECH	BUILDING INSPECTIONS	\$ 3,772.38
SERNETT, SUZY	SUMMER READING PROGRAMS	\$ 147.70
STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	3 RING BINDERS	\$ 137.83
STOREY KENWORTHY	CHECKS	\$ 550.00

STORY COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL	1 CAT & AFTER HOURS CHARGE	\$	88.50
STORY CO TREASURER (SHERIFF)	4TH QTR 2023	\$	25,139.32
THE HOME DEPOT PRO	TP; PAPER TOWELS; SANITIZER; SP	\$	1,288.88
TRUE NORTH COMPANIES, LC	PROPERTY & WORK COMP INSURANCE	\$	87,288.00
TOWN & COUNTRY MARKET	COOKIES, DONUTS, JUICE	\$	41.87
UMB BANK NA	STREET PROJECT 2017/2018	\$	264,400.00
US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	COPIER CONTRACT	\$	61.08
VAN-WALL EQUIPMENT	MATCH BUSHINGS, QUICK HITCH	\$	472.76
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS & SHIELD	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$	4,999.04
XENIA	WATER USAGE	\$	806.34

May Expenses above by category:

APRIL 2023 Revenues = \$ 612,051.97

GENERAL	480,195.51
ROAD USE	17,284.88
LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX (LOST)	17,985.55
WATER, SEWER, STORM, RR	96,586.03
GENERAL	119,134.15
ROAD USE	13,266.35
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	5,087.84
BOND PAYMENT/STREETS	264,400.00
ECON DEVELOPMENT	215.97
WATER	13,497.14
SEWER	14,735.10
STORM WATER	674.72
RESOURCE RECOVERY	2,749.96

Story County Board of Supervisors presented a ARPA funds to the City of Slater in the amount of \$500,000 to go towards the construction of the new Waste Water Treatment Facility. Many thanks to the County for all their time and efforts in awarding these funds.

EMS Chief Fleenor reported calls for April 2023. They are working through county wide service levels to all be the same.

Estrem reported the tower is up and running for emergency response / paging. This has greatly improved service. And June 3rd is the Fireman's Dance / Family Day at Nelson Park.

Motion was made by May, seconded by Birdsall, to hold the 2nd reading of Ordinance #300: An Ordinance establishing additional stop signs in Trailside Development. These additions include 1) Sheffield Ave, at Ryen Rd., southbound and 2) Ryen Rd. at Sheffield Ave., eastbound. Roll call vote: Ayes: May, Birdsall, Erickson, and Howell. Nays: none.

Motion was made by Erickson, seconded by Howell, to approve Resolution #44 (2022-2023): Request to increase Zero Interest Loan – for Public House 421/Coffee House. Motion approved with a vote of 4-0.

Motion was made by Erickson, seconded by May, to approve the renewal of liquor license for Nite Hawk Bar. Motion approved with a vote of 4-0.

Motion was made by May, seconded by Birdsall, to approve the liquor license for the Firemen's Dance being held June 3, 2023. Motion approved with a vote of 4-0.

Motion was made by Erickson, seconded by Birdsall, to approve the street closure of 4th Ave between Benton St and Tama St for the Firemen's Dance on June 3, 2023 from noon to midnight. Motion approved with a vote of 4-0.

Motion was made by May, seconded by Howell, to approve the street closure of Main Street from Tama St to Story St for a car show on June 6, 2023 from 5pm to 10pm. Motion approved with a vote of 4-0.

A property owner expressed his opinion on the need to discuss changing the way the City bills for water/sewer on multiplexes with single meters.

Owners of 421 Main Street gave an update on opening the coffee house and shared concerns on the process they had to go through to make improvements to the property in order to open this business.

The Owners of Garbage Guys shared their plans to hopefully open a recycle center for construction materials ONLY on the southwest side of Slater. There are questions and concerns to be addressed before this becomes a reality.

Neighbors of 306 2nd Ave expressed concerns and shared photos of the extremely poor condition of the property and the garbage that is building up at this location. City staff will send a letter and start the process required to get this property cleaned up.

Council will have a special meeting on May 30, 2023 to hold a public hearing for Budget Amendment #2 for FY 2023

Sheriff's office reported there have been break-ins of cars. This seems to be a crime of opportunity, they are only taking things from cars NOT locked. For your safety, Please lock your cars and homes.

Motion by Erickson, seconded by May, to adjourn the meeting at 7:13pm. All Ayes.

NOTE: As of March 13, 2023, meetings for Slater City Council begin at 6:00pm.