

COUNCIL MEETING AVOCA CITY COUNCIL, September 19, 2023

Mayor Tom Bruck called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM with Matt Gramkow, Fred Miller III, William Dea, Diane Stamp and Deb Calhoon present. Motion by Dea, seconded by Gramkow to approve the agenda with the date change of September 19, 2023. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Gramkow, seconded by Miller to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following:

- Approval of the minutes: August 15, 2023
- Approval of the claims, payroll, financials and bank reconciliation
- Approval of the liquor license renewal: Avoca Food Land
- Approval of the liquor license – new: Dolgencorp, LLC dba Dollar General #7290
- Approval of partial pay app: 450th Street Improvements – Carley Construction – Pymt #3-Final

Motion carried 5-0.

Holiday's on Main committee submitted a Block Party Permit to close down 2 blocks of Elm Street during their event. Motion by Calhoon, seconded by Stamp to approve the Block Party Permit closing the 100th Block of North and South Elm Street on November 25, 2023. Motion carried 5-0.

American Legion Commission board member position expired. Motion by Stamp, seconded by Calhoon to appoint Adam Pieken to the board. Motion carried 5-0.

The City of Avoca hired a new Public Works Supervisor, Gale Kiesel. Motion by Gramkow, seconded by Dea to approve RESOLUTION 23-0919-01: NEW HIRE. On a roll call: AYES: 5, NAYS: 0.

The City of Avoca is contracting with Snyder & Associates to repair the three blocks of Elm St. Motion by Gramkow, seconded by Dea to approve RESOLUTION 23-0919-02: ELM STREET IMPROVEMENTS AGREEMENT. On a roll call: AYES: 5, NAYS: 0.

Project 450th Street Improvements has been completed. Motion by Miller, seconded by Calhoon to approve RESOLUTION 23-0919-03: ACCEPTING THE WORK. On a roll call: AYES: 5, NAYS: 0.

The City of Avoca is updating its Investment Policy. Motion by Stamp, seconded by Calhoon to approve RESOLUTION 23-0919-04: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNCIL TO APPROVE AN INVESTMENT POLICY FOR THE CITY OF AVOCA. On a roll call: AYES: 5, NAYS: 0.

The American Legion Committee needs new cooler at the Veteran's Community Center. Council is in agreeance that the cooler purchase can come from the Community Center Project Fund since the cooler will be used in the remodel. Motion by Miller, seconded by Gramkow to allow for the purchase of the cooler for the Veteran's Community Center. Motion carried 5-0.

The council is looking at changing the rate of pay and pay structure of the council and mayor. Motion by Calhoon, seconded by Gramkow to approve the first reading of ordinance 2023-05: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2.7 AND 2.9 OF THE AVOCA CITY CODE PERTAINING TO COMPENSATION OF THE MAYOR, AND CITY COUNCIL. On a roll call: AYES: 4, NAYS: 1 (Diane Stamp).

Tyler Gartenberg and John Kraft with MidAmerican Energy presented to the council how the Franchise Fees Ordinance that is expiring soon works. Council is interested in collecting Franchise Fees for the

purpose of Public Safety and infrastructure purposes. The council would like Mr. Trout to move forward with getting the Franchise Fee Ordinance prepared.

Motion by Dea, seconded by Calhoun to approve setting Public Hearing for Franchise Fee Ordinance for October 17th at 5:30 PM. Motion carried 5-0.

City of Avoca sold a golf cart by sealed bids. 3 bids and Cheryl Overgaard had the highest bid of \$1975.00. Motion by Calhoun, seconded by Gramkow to approve the sale of the golf cart. Motion carried 5-0.

Officer Heiny gave his monthly police report.

Council Comments:

William Dea: Asbestos abatement follow up, DNR pumping from the River, Water update

Motion by Miller, seconded by Gramkow to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 PM. Motion carried 5-0.

08-01-23 THRU 08-31-23	CLAIMS	AMOUNT
DOLLAR GENERAL	SUPPLIES	\$122.50
ACCO	CHEMICALS/FLOW SWITCH	\$1,891.45
AFLAC	VOL INS	\$98.64
AGRILAND FS INC	CHEMICAL/PROPANE/FUEL	\$13,921.75
ANITA ENGRAVING	ENGRAVING	\$22.00
AQUATIC RESOURCE	CHEMICALS	\$436.42
ATLANTIC COCA-COLA BOTTLE	POP	\$276.12
AV BUILDING	MISC ITEMS	\$116.98
AV FOOD LAND	MISC ITEMS	\$211.78
AV MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	WATER BILL	\$989.71
AV SEED & CHEMICAL	WEED SPRAY	\$163.75
BADGER METER, INC.	MONTHLY HOSTING SERVICE	\$51.00
BEELNER'S SERV	SPINKLER RPR	\$1,151.00
BOMGAARS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$601.01
BOUND TREE MED	EMS SUPPLIES	\$19.74
BURNHAM ELECTRICAL SVC	EXHAUST FAN INSTALL	\$400.08
CB - WATER WORK	POOL WATER TEST	\$25.00
CENTER POINT	BOOKS	\$33.89
CLEAR TITLE AND ABSTRACT	EXISTING HOME INCENTIVE	\$5,000.00
COMPUTER SYSTEMS, INC.	COMPUTER SVCS	\$2,844.00
CORWITH PUBLIC LIBRARY	BOOK	\$18.24
DELTA DENTAL	DENTAL PAYABLE	\$193.52
DEMCO	SUPPLIES	\$142.72
DORSEY & WHITNEY LLP	LEGAL SVC	\$3,303.00
ELECTRIC PUMP	SRVC MAIN LIFT STATION	\$591.75
FARNER-BOCKEN	FOOD FOR RESALE	\$303.16
FIRE SVC TRAIN BUREAU	HAZMAT/FF1	\$100.00

GUYER MACHINE	PLATE FOR POOL	\$84.44
HANSON ATTYS	LEGAL SVC	\$598.00
HARLAN HARDWARE	PARK BSKTBLL NETS	\$15.98
HOLTZ SERVICE	TIRES/FILTERS	\$279.60
HORIZON EQUIP	MWR PARTS	\$340.92
I C A P	2022 TRACTOR LOADER RENTAL	\$554.00
I P E R S	IPERS	\$6,843.55
I R S	FED/FICA TAX	\$13,779.27
IA D N R	23-24 ANNUAL FEE	\$210.00
IA D O T	CONTRACT 78-0593-042	\$159,686.00
IA FIRE CHIEF	YRLY MEMBER DUES	\$50.00
IA TREASURER	JULY 23 EXCISE TAX/SALES TAX	\$4,903.34
JAMES JOHNSON	POOL PARTY REFUND	\$300.00
JOURNAL-HERALD	PUBLICATIONS/ADV	\$757.78
KEAST FORD	AMB MAINTENANCE	\$377.95
KIESEL GALE	MONTHLY SERVICE	\$800.00
LEWIS SABRINA	MILEAGE	\$49.78
MARNE ELK HORN	PHONE/INTERNET/CABLE	\$675.24
MATT PARROTT	WARRANT CHECKS	\$740.77
MCCARTHY TRENCH	HWY 59 SEWER	\$3,035.30
METERING & TECHNOLOGY	1 M70 ORION ME TOP"	\$388.68
METRO FENCE	FENCE	\$8,102.78
MIDAMER ENERGY	UTILITY BILL	\$7,803.64
MIDSTATES BANK	SAFTEY DEPOSIT BOX	\$25.00
MIDWEST LABS	TESTING EXPENSE	\$153.96
MUNICIPAL EMERG	FIRE GEAR	\$21,400.14
NAPPA	MISC ITEMS	\$555.34
NEBRASKA MACHINERY	BACKHOE RPR	\$2,639.73
NISHNA VALLEY PEST CONTRL	PEST CONTROL	\$215.00
OLESEN CHEVY	GOLF CART	\$6,558.79
PENWORTHY	MATERIALS	\$299.90
PROTECH	SNOWPLOW RPR	\$1,535.57
R & S WASTE	TRASH/COLLECTION	\$11,984.95
RATZLAFF LAWN CARE LLC	JULY MOW	\$5,400.00
READER ZONE	PROGRAM	\$13.99
REGIONAL WATER	JULY USAGE	\$18,490.90
RK'S TREE SERVICE LLC	RIGHT OF WAY TREES	\$27,595.00
RYAN JIM	GRILL PART	\$180.43
SELDERS SARAH	MUSIC FARMERS MARKET	\$50.00
SIEVERS PLUMB	PARTS/STOOL FAUCET	\$562.59
STRYKER	BALANCE/COT	\$433.77
TOOLEY JUSTIN	BAY SUPPLIES	\$83.67
TREASURER OF STATE	STATE TAX	\$1,630.17
TROUT TYLER	MOVING EXPENSE	\$1,500.00

U S POST OFFICE	SEPT 23 UT BILLS	\$440.96
UNITYPOINT CLINIC	DRUG SCREEN	\$42.00
US BANK	MISC ITEMS	\$5,149.92
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONE	\$526.67
VOYAGER FLEET	FUEL	\$231.84
VSP	VISION INS	\$202.07
WELLMARK	HEALTH INS	\$13,901.54
WELLS FARGO-COPIER LEASE	COPIER LEASE	\$513.71
WESTERN ENGINE	RIVER ROCK	\$492.15
DEPOSIT REFUNDS	REFUND DATE 08/17/2023	\$78.61
DEPOSIT REFUNDS	REFUND DATE 08/31/2023	\$290.61
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 08/04/2023	\$634.18
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 08/09/2023	\$24,211.72
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 08/23/2023	\$22,594.28
	CLAIMS TOTAL	\$414,025.39
	GENERAL FUND	\$123,415.15
	GOLF COURSE FUND	\$34,415.85
	AQUATIC CENTER FUND	\$20,613.54
	ROAD USE TAX FUND	\$11,351.06
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUND	\$7,217.99
	LIBRARY TRUST FUND	\$174.95
	CAP PROJ - COMM CENTER FUND	\$267.09
	CAP PRCT - HWY SIDEWALK FUND	\$159,686.00
	URBAN RENEWAL CAP PROJ FUND	\$5,598.00
	WATER FUND	\$33,266.97
	SEWER FUND	\$16,029.99
	STORM WATER FUND	\$1,988.80

08-01-23 THRU 08-31-23	REVENUE
GENERAL TOTAL	\$59,147.97
GOLF COURSE TOTAL	\$22,007.20
AQUATIC CENTER TOTAL	\$7,969.80
HOTEL/MOTEL TAX TOTAL	\$37,649.45
ROAD USE TAX TOTAL	\$18,714.29
LOCAL OPTION TAX TOTAL	\$33,822.36
LIBRARY TRUST TOTAL	\$1,260.30
CAP RESERVE TOTAL	\$50.00
CAP PROJ - COMM CENTER TOTAL	\$1,000.00
LIBRARY TRUST -PERPETUAL TOTA	\$195.00
WATER TOTAL	\$65,703.99
WATER SINKING FUND TOTAL	\$10,230.21

SEWER TOTAL	\$37,972.31
SEWER SINKING FUND TOTAL	\$8,234.25
STORM WATER TOTAL	\$8,386.13
STORM WATER SINKING FUND	
TOTAL	\$2,307.92
TOTAL REVENUE	\$314,651.18

ATTEST:

Teresa M Hoepner, City Clerk