

December 13, 2023

The Dike City Council met for public hearing regarding vacating the alley east to west from the 4th Street to the Alley going North and South behind Main Street. Mayor Soppe opened the public hearing for comments or concerns. No comments or concerns were given. A motion by Cutsforth to adjourn the public hearing. Second by Camarata. All ayes, motion carried.

The Dike City Council met for a regular council meeting on Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 7:10 pm with Mayor Soppe presiding. Council in attendance: Cutsforth, Feaker by phone, Mikkelsen, Kauten and Camarata. Several citizens were in attendance also.

Motion by Cutsforth to approve the following on the consent agenda: sheriff's report, library report, minutes as presented and delinquent utility accounts. Second by Mikkelsen. All ayes, motion carried.

Fire/Ambulance report – eleven ems call and three fire calls last month. The department will be helping with the burning of a house on 4th Street this month.

Jeff Kolb with Butler – Grundy Development Alliance spoke to the council regarding the Community Catalyst Grant that Angie Koop will be applying for. This is for her project at 560 Main Street. Angie also gave a short presentation of the project. Jeff spoke to the council about how the grant works and how the city will be the applicant. Jeff spoke about an Urban Revitalization plan the city could put into place. A motion by Camarata to begin the grant application process for 560 Main Street for the Community Catalyst Grant. Second by Kauten. All ayes, motion carried.

Cutsforth introduced Resolution #1213202302, A RESOLUTION APPROVING SADIE SIX TO BECOME A SIGNER ON THE CITY OF DIKE BANK ACCOUNTS BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024 AT PEOPLES SAVING BANK AND FIDELITY BANK AND TRUST. Second by Kauten. Roll call vote: ayes: Cutsforth, Feaker, Mikkelsen, Kauten and Camarata. Nays: none. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution #1213202302, duly adopted.

Camarata introduced Resolution #1203202301, A RESOLUTION TO OPPOSE ALLIANT ENERGY'S RATE INCREASE AS THE FOLLOWING: WHEREAS, ALLIANT 'S PROPOSED \$248 MILLION ADDITIONAL REVENUE REQUIREMENTS WILL DRAIN, ON AVERAGE, ANOTHER \$565 FROM EACH ONE OF ALLIANT'S 502,937 ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS AND WHEREAS A 15%-20% INCREASE TO THE CITY OF DIKE CURRENT ELECTRICITY PURCHASES WILL RESULT IN A INCREASED EXPENSE OF \$1080 THAT COULD OTHERWISE BE SPENT ON VITAL PUBLIC SERVICES, NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: THE CITY OF DIKE CITY COUNCIL 1. OPPOSED THE MAGNITUDE OF ALLIANT ENERGY'S PROPOSED ELECTRIC RATE INCREASE AND URGES THE IOWA UTILITIES BOARD TO: A. ADDRESS ALLIANT'S HIGH, RISING, AND UNREASONABLE COST THAT ARE IMPOSTING SERIOUS HARDSHIP FOR LOW AND MODERATE-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS, FIXED INCOME HOUSEHOLDS, SMALL BUSINESSES, INDUSTRIES, NONPROFIT INSTITUTIONS, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, AND OUR OWN MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT. B.MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE THE ABILITY OF CUSTOMERS AND COMMUNITIES TO SAVE AND PROSPER THROUGH INVESTMENTS IN CUSTOMER AND COMMUNITY OWNED DISTRIBUTED ENERGY RESOURCES, SICH AS ENERGY EFFICIENCY, SOLAR POWER, GEOTHERMAL ENERGY AND BATTERY STORAGE. C. REQUIRE RATE-REGULATED UTILITIES TO CONDUCT

INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLANNING AND COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT TO ENSURE ALL UTILITY INVESTMENTS ARE JUSTIFIED AND COST-EFFECTIVE. D. CEASE APPROVING UNNECESSARILY HIGH RETURNS ON EQUITY THAT REWARD SHAREHOLDERS AT THE EXPENSE OF ALLIANT RATE PAYERS.2. AUTHORIZES OUR CITY MANAGER/CLERK TO FILE THIS RESOLUTION AS AN OFFICIAL COMMENT IN DOCKET RPU-2023-0002 WITHIN TEN DAYS AND TO SEND COPIES OF THIS RESOLUTION TO OUR STATE REPRESENTATIVE AND STATE SENATOR TO INFORM THE LEGISLATURE’S CURRENT STUDY OF RATEMAKING IN IOWA.3. ENCOURAGE ALL CITIZENS AND RATEPAYERS IN OUR COMMUNITY TO VOICE THEIR PERSPECTIVE AND CONCERNS TO THE IOWA UTILITIES BOARD BY SUBMITTING COMMENTS AND OBJECTIONS BY EMAIL TO CUSTOMER@IAU.IOWA.GOV OR BY MAIL AT IOWA UTILITIES BOARD, 1375 E. COURT AVENUE, DES MOINES, IA 50319-0069. ALL COMMUNICATION SHOULD HOLD REFERENCE DOCKET RPU-2023-0002 IN THE SUBJECT LINE OF THE EMAIL OR LETTER. Second by Mikkelsen. Roll call vote: Ayes: Cutsforth, Feaker, Mikkelsen, Kauten and Camarata. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution #1203202301, duly adopted.

Motion by Kauten to approve the memorandum of agreement between the City of Dike and Clean Energy Districts of Iowa. Second by Camarata. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Cutsforth to approve the renewal of liquor license for Hoff Co Golf DBA Foxy’s Liquor. Second by Kauten. All ayes, motion carried.

Camarata introduced Resolution #1213202303, A RESOLUTION TO VACATE THE ALLEY GOING EAST AND WEST BETWEEN 4TH STREET AND ALLEY BEHIND MAIN STREET AND ACCEPT BIDS FOR THE ALLEY. Second by Kauten. Roll call vote: Ayes: Cutsforth, Feaker, Mikkelsen, Kauten and Camarata. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution #1213202303, duly adopted.

Cutsforth introduced Resolution #1213202304, A RESOLUTION TO BEGIN THE PROCESS TO PUT DELINQUENT AMBULANCE BILLS ON THE IOWA OFFSET PROGRAM. Second by Mikkelsen. . Roll call vote: Ayes: Cutsforth, Feaker, Mikkelsen, Kauten and Camarata. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution #1213202304, duly adopted.

Camarata introduced Resolution #1213202305, A RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER THE AMBULANCE MILEAGE FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE AMBULANCE IPAIT ACCOUNT AT THE END OF EVERY FISCAL YEAR. Second by Cutsforth. . Roll call vote: Ayes: Cutsforth, Feaker, Mikkelsen, Kauten and Camarata. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution #1213202305, duly adopted.

Superintendent’s Report – Electrical project is 95% done for this portion of the project. Some of the trees at the cemetery are beginning to die and would like to take out and replace.

A motion by Cutsforth to approve the financial reports. Second by Mikkelsen. All ayes, motion carried.

Financial reports-November 2023

Revenues		Expenses	
General	\$32095.34	General	\$46899.79
RUT	\$14434.11	RUT	\$5426.59

Employee Ben.	\$2935.15	Employee Ben.	\$8690.75
Emerg. Fund	\$345.84	Emerg. Fund	\$0.0
LOST	\$13285.10	LOST	\$0.0
Debt Service	\$3320.13	Debt Service	\$37536.25
Water	\$27235.88	Water	\$23903.52
Sewer	\$41617.68	Sewer	\$20408.71
Electric	\$126074.34	Electric	\$115882.63

A motion by Camarata to approve the bills to be allowed and paid. Second by Cutsforth.

CLAIMS REPORT	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
VENDOR		
ACCESS SYSTEMS	LIBRARY COPIER LEASE	413.61
AGVANTAGE FS	FUEL - CITY SHED	1,000.00
AMERICAN FIRE EQUIPMENT	TORPEDO NOZZLE SET	3,496.00
ANN HILLIARD	MILEAGE TO BANK	8.52
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	LOADER REPAIR	413.6
BAKER & TAYLOR	LIBRARY BOOKS	637.28
BLACK HAWK COUNTY LANDFILL	NON ROUTINE GARBAGE	18.06
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS BIL	564.21
CENTURYLINK		610.48
CITY OF DIKE	ELECTRIC BILL	1,461.45
COAST TO COAST SOLUTIONS	LIBRARY HALLOWEEN TOTES	220.61
COOLEY PUMPING	GARBAGE/RECYCLING PICKUP	5,593.62
DIKE FIRE DEPT	AUGUST23 FIRE CALL/TRAINING	636
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	961.82
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	1,066.26
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	967.19
FORBIN	EMAILS	4
GREENS KEEPER LAWNS	WEED CONTROL	810
BUTLER GRUNDY DEVEL. ALLIANCE	DUES	3,385.00
GRUNDY COUNTY SHERIFF	SHERIFF CONTRACT	8,130.00
ROBERT HEERKES	HSA- CITY CONTR	114
SHANE METZ JR	HSA- CITY CONTR	228
LINDSAY NIELSEN	HSA- CITY CONTR	285
IA DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE AND	MOSQUITO PERMIT RENEWAL - ROB	15
INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES	LIBRARY BOOKS	127.88
IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES	STREET SIGNS	343.42
IPERS	IPERS	2,342.36
ISU EXTENSION SVC	ROB MOSQUITO CONTINUING ED	70
THE JONES LAW FIRM	ATTORNEY FEES	27.5
KWIK TRIP INC	FIRE DEPT FUEL	559.58
MED COMPASS	FIRE DEPT PHYSICALS	3,250.00
MEDIACOM	CITY HALL INTERNET	1,071.42
MENARDS	SHOP WASHBAY HEATER	1,136.93
MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING CORP	LEGALS	894.36
MIDWEST TAPE	LIBRARY DVD	134.94
MODERN MARKETING	SUMMER READ 2024 COLOR BOOKS	372.57

NOAH CONNOLLY	UMPIRE 4 GAMES	80
NORTHWEST IA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	BOOK DAMAGED	5
PHYSICIAN'S CLAIMS COMPANY	AMBULANCE BILLING	465.92
PURCHASE POWER	POSTAGE	1,141.75
DIKE POST OFFICE	POSTAGE UTILITY BILLS	114.1
QUILL CORPORATION	CLEANING SUPPLIES	431.41
ROBERT HEERKES	MILEAGE	19.65
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY	SCBA TESTING/BATTERY SERVICE	1,440.85
IA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	302.89
SUPERIOR WELDING	AMBULANCE OXYGEN	22.5
TOYNE INC	FIRE TRUCK REPAIRS	3,647.65
UBBEN BUILDING SUPPLIES	SHOP SUPPLIES	114.86
US CELLULAR	FIRE CELL PHONES	95.72
VISA	FORKLIFT SUPPLIES/SUPPLIES	411.72
WAL-MART COMMUNITY BRC	LIBRARY SNACK/CRAFTS	438.18
WATERLOO MEDICAL CENTER	MUTUAL AID	160
WOLVERINE REPAIR	DUMPTRUCK TIRES MOUNT	670.12
VAN WERT INC	WATER ERW REMOTES	1,620.00
ASPRO INC	STREET SWEEPING - 3 DAYS	1,850.00
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	409.76
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	420.34
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	421.96
ROBERT HEERKES	HSA- CITY CONTR	57
SHANE METZ JR	HSA- CITY CONTR	114
LINDSAY NIELSEN	HSA- CITY CONTR	142.5
HSA-169	HSA- CITY CONTR	142.5
IPERS	IPERS	853.63
IA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAX	171.86
VISA	FORKLIFT SUPPLIES/SUPPLIES	119.98
DEARBORN NATIONAL LIFE INSURAN	INSURANCE PREMIUMS	267
IMWCA	WORKS COMP PREMIUMS	2,436.00
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS AND BLUE	HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	3,009.55
MENARDS	RAZZLE DAZZLE LIGHTS	299.88
AGVANTAGE FS	FUEL - CITY SHED	619.75
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS BIL	77.88
CITY OF DIKE	ELECTRIC BILL	196.03
IOWA REGIONAL UTILITIES ASSOC	WATER BILL	9,718.48
CONTRACTOR SOLUTIONS	WATER SUPPLIES	2,561.66
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	343.43
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	385.46
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	393.29
ROBERT HEERKES	HSA- CITY CONTR	57
SHANE METZ JR	HSA- CITY CONTR	114
HSA-169	HSA- CITY CONTR	142.5
IPERS	IPERS	764.41
KWIK TRIP INC	FUEL	1,068.34
SERVICE TECH OF CENTRAL IOWA	FIRE HYDRANT REPAIR	870.32
IA DEPT OF REVENUE	SALES TAX EXPENSE	525.43
IA DEPT OF REVENUE	WATER EXCISE TAX	1,432.35
IA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	142.85
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS AND BLUE	HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	1,000.00
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS BIL	38.88
CIT SEWER SOLUTIONS	SEWER FY24 CONTRACT	15,311.30
CITY OF DIKE	ELECTRIC BILL	1,232.05

JOHN WEBER	SEWER SLUDGE REMOVAL	4,725.00
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	471.96
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	521.07
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	521.94
ROBERT HEERKES	HSA- CITY CONTR	57
SHANE METZ JR	HSA- CITY CONTR	114
HSA-169	HSA- CITY CONTR	142.5
IOWA PUMP WORKS, INC.	SEWER PUMP REPAIRS	4,235.60
IPERS	IPERS	1,131.01
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	SEWER LOAN INTEREST/FEES	4,532.50
IA DEPT OF REVENUE	SALES TAX EXPENSE	350
IA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAX	154.38
EUROFINS ENVIROMENT TESTING	WWTP TESTING	930.9
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS AND BLUE	HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	1,000.00
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	SEWER LOAN INTEREST/FEES	31,727.50
ALLIANT ENERGY	STREET LIGHTS ELECTRIC	831.02
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	374.32
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	370.21
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	336.02
FLETCHER-REINHARDT COMPANY	ELECTRIC PROJECT SUPPLIES	4,056.43
LINDSAY NIELSEN	HSA- CITY CONTR	142.5
HSA-169	HSA- CITY CONTR	142.5
IPERS	IPERS	723.33
MENARDS	SHOP SUPPLIES/XMAS LIGHTS	3.79
GRUNDY COUNTY R.E.C.	ELECTRIL BILL	48,941.49
GRUNDY COUNTY R.E.C.	ELECTRIC BILL	46,557.70
RISE BROADBAND	GENERATOR INTERNET	245.62
IA DEPT OF REVENUE	SALES TAX EXPENSE	350
IA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAX	142.77
UBBEN BUILDING SUPPLIES	SHOP SUPPLIES	5.29
VISA	FORKLIFT SUPPLIES/SUPPLIES	55.89
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS AND BLUE	HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	1,000.00
Accounts Payable Total		255,158.60
Payroll Checks		28,541.37
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		283,699.97
GENERAL		62,683.33
ARPA FUNDS		1,620.00
ROAD USE TAX		8,821.99
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		5,712.55
LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX		299.88
WATER		24,058.72
SEWER		41,074.10
SEWER SINKING FUND		31,727.50
ELECTRIC		107,701.90
TOTAL FUNDS		283,699.97

Mayor's Comments – I was always blessed to be surrounded by great people. I would like to thank our old, new and current city council whom I have worked with for their service to our community. We have always been fortunate to have a council that could get along even when they disagreed. Thank you to Lindsay and Annie. They do so much in the office that goes unnoticed. Thanks to Marty, Rob, Shane and John for all their efforts to keep Dike running smooth and looking great. Thank you to the community members who have been resources to me. Kevin Hemmen, Joe Becker, and many more were instrumental in lot of our accomplishments within the City. Best of luck to the incoming Mayor Sadie Six. She will do great.

A motion by Cutsforth to adjourn the meeting. Second by Camarata. All ayes, motion carried.

Michael Soppe, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lindsay Nielsen, City Clerk