

Minutes City of Mechanicsville  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
March 13, 2023

The Mechanicsville City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 13, 2023 at 102 N John Street, Mechanicsville. Mayor Pro tem Amy Bishop called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present for roll call were Amy Bishop, Adam Paidar, and Randy Brown. Doug Weber and Jennifer Lester were absent. Others present included Daniel Pike, Josh Miller, Jake Koch, Meredith Dehmer, Donna Paup, Pat Albaugh, Janice Moffitt, and Dee Cook.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Adam Paidar motioned, Randy Brown seconded to approve the consent agenda including the agenda, the minutes from 2/13/23; the finance reports, and claims. Roll call vote: Ayes: Bishop, Paidar, and Brown. Weber and Lester were absent. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The following claims were approved:

STATE OF IOWA	SALES AND WET TAX	\$589.81
CHASE CARD SERVICES	POSTAGE/SHIPPING	\$305.17
IRS	PAYROLL	\$2,848.70
ACCO	CHEMICALS	\$160.50
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC/GAS EXPENSE	\$9,202.31
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	LIBRARY MATERIALS	\$29.90
BAKER & TAYLOR	LIBRARY MATERIALS	\$628.31
BANKERS BANK	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$197.04
BIBLIONIX	SUBSCRIPTION & ED MATERIAL	\$1,540.00
CAR QUEST AUTO PARTS	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$140.89
CASEYS GENERAL STORE	VEHICLE OPERATIONS	\$1,351.92
CEDAR COUNTY SOLID WASTE	PAYMENTS TO OTHER AGENCIES	\$1,224.00
CHASE CARD SERVICES	MINOR EQUIPMENT	\$1,644.48
CLIA LABORATORY PROGRAM	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$180.00
COPPESS, LINDA	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$30.00
CVIKOTA	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$1,803.34
DANIEL PIKE	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$30.00
DANS TIRES & MORE	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$296.73
DELTA DENTAL	GROUP INSURANCE	\$438.56
DEMCO	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$234.23
DES MOINES STAMP MFG CO	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$33.00
ECIA	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$1,040.43
FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE	GROUP INSURANCE	\$120.06
GOOD HOUSEKEEPING	SUBSCRIPTION & ED MATERIAL	\$18.18
HIGHWAY 30 COALITION	ASSOCIATION DUES	\$150.00
IMAGINE VIDEO PRODUCTION	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$250.00
IOWA FIREMENS ASSOCIATION	ASSOCIATION DUES	\$51.00
IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY	TRAINING	\$25.00
JOHN DEER FINANCIAL	OTHER SUPPLIES	\$972.82
JOHNSON COUNTY AMBULANCE	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$200.00
KIRKWOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE	TRAINING	\$27.00

KOCH, LONNI	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$34.25
KOCHS SERVICE & SUPPLY LLC	BLDG MAINT & REPAIR	\$1,002.22
LISBON-MT VERNON AMBULANCE	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$1,800.00
LYNCH FORD	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$2.51
MECHANICSVILLE TELEPHONE CO	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$449.66
OVESON REFUSE & RECYCLING LLC	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$3,150.00
QUILL	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$245.73
READERS DIGEST	SUBSCRIPTION & ED MATERIAL	\$30.00
SCOTT KASIK PAINTING	BLDG MAINT & REPAIR	\$1,300.00
SCOTT, RICKY	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$30.00
SEEHUSEN INSURANCE AGENCY	INSURANCE EXPENSE	\$269.00
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$491.00
TIPTON CONSERVATIVE & ADVERTIS	PRINTING & PUBLISHING EXP	\$366.45
UNITY POINT HEALTH	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$400.00
US CELLULAR	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$86.14
USA BLUEBOOK	CHEMICALS	\$263.22
WELLMARK BC BS	GROUP INSURANCE	\$13,406.80
WENDLING QUARRIES INC	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$272.49
PAYROLL	WAGES	18,000.66

#### Total Receipts and Disbursements for month of February by fund

Fund	Receipts	Disbursements
General	9,772.19	69,051.73
Road Use Tax	11,662.74	7,708.56
Employee Benefit	663.50	10,791.69
Local Opt Sales Tax	11,687.98	
Library Trust Fund	33.68	
Ambulance Trust	19,277.02	7,433.63
Fire Trust Fund	13.11	
Debt Service	445.77	
Water Utility	9,879.21	3,930.17
Sewer Utility	350,574.92	143,133.48
Sewer Sinking Fund		
Solid Waste	10,816.04	6,469.92
Storm Water Utility	1,268.03	7.39
Water Deposit	50.00	

**Receive visitors/public comment:** Donna Paup inquired about SF 181, Janice Moffitt presented her information about neighbors parking campers next to alley, impeding the alley, and that she needs access to the full alley to park her vehicles back there and a place to put her snow on the half of the alley being blocked; Dee Cook presented photos of the alley to show how and where the campers were parked on private property and not blocking the alley. It was suggested that Janice could proceed with having her property surveyed to determine where the alley begins as the sewer manholes are probably not in the exact center of the alley.

#### REPORTS:

**Ambulance Report:** Lonni Koch reported 22 calls for February and the education opportunity will be on Pediatric Seizures.

**Fire Report:** Jake Koch reported 6 calls for February and will be doing thermal imaging training with the dance coming up on March 25, and new member Michael Pearson has joined the department.

**Police Report:** Rick Scott police report consisted of 56 Calls for service, 2 theft; 2 traffic stops, 2 warnings, 5 investigations worked, 5 public assist; 1 animal call, 7 assist other agencies, 3 assaults; 1 domestic, 2 accidents and 275 miles driven.

**Public Works Report:** Daniel Pike reported removing snow for 2 events, 2 mowers have been taken in to get tuned up for spring, the sweeper is ready, and punch list at waste water treatment facility is almost complete. Direction on seeding the sidewalk at the ballfield was provided and Lowden has requested that we bring street sweeper over to do streets.

**Administration Report:** Coppess reported that the grant for the Iowa Foundation for Parks and recreation was not awarded the \$1000 for the storage building at ballpark. The Comprehensive Neighborhood Revitalization grant that ECIA applied for on our behalf was also declined. Board of Adjustments will meet 3/21 to discuss a variance request.

#### **Discussion and possible action on:**

**Resolution 2023-7 changing the date for public hearing on FY24 Budget 4-10-2023:** Adam Paidar motioned, Randy Brown seconded to approve setting the public hearing for April 10 at 6:30 p.m. Ayes: Adam Paidar, Randy Brown, and Amy Bishop. Nays: None. Absent: Doug Weber and Jen Lester. Resolution adopted.

**Set date for Spring Clean Up:** Adam Paidar motioned, Randy Brown seconded to set the date for spring cleanup for April 18. Residents will need to contact city hall to sign up to have their items picked up. The fee is passed thru on the water bill. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Set date for cemetery clean up:** Randy Brown motioned, Adam Paidar seconded to set the date for cemetery clean-up for April 19. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Approve Fireworks Permit:** Adam Paidar motioned, Amy Bishop seconded to approve the Fireworks permit for July 4, 2023 for the Fire Department. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Estimate to repair well #2 with 3 phase motor starter:** Randy Brown motioned, Adam Paidar seconded to approve the estimate from Koch's to repair the motor starter. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Estimate to repair 2010 F250 pickup:** Adam motioned, Amy Bishop seconded to repair the F250 pickup per the estimate provided. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**20 year material warranty WWTF Metal Roof:** Amy Bishop motioned, Adam Paidar seconded to approve the clerk signing the 20 year warranty. Ayes all. Motion carried.  
**Correspondence** from the State Auditor's Office regarding the upcoming audit, sidewalk correspondence from 213 E First St, and a library board members resignation was received.

**Set next meeting date:** 4/10/2023 6:30 p.m. at the Memorial Building

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, council member Adam Paidar motioned, Randy Brown seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 p.m. Ayes all. Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

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Linda K. Coppess, MMC

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Amy Bishop, Mayor pro-tem