

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
City of Steamboat Rock • Aug. 15, 2022

The Steamboat Rock City Council met in regular session August 15th, 2022, 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Steamboat Rock City Council met in chambers on August 15, 2022. Present were Mayor Stearns and the following council members: Adam Blackburn, Kevin Pieters, Cory Schurman, Absent: Jon Schurman. Also present were JD Holmes, Dave Mull, and Melissa Johanson.

Mayor Stearns called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. C. Schurman moved, seconded by Pieters to approve the posted agenda. Motion carried unanimously, Absent: J. Schurman. Mayor Stearns swore in new councilperson, Dave Mull.

C. Schurman moved, seconded by Blackburn to approve the minutes as amended from July 11th, 2022 with the correction of STEM is actually Thursday not Wednesday. JJ Veld and Nederhoff discussed finding the curb stop for 106 E Main St the easiest and most cost effective way. Corrected should be 106 E Market St not 106 E Main St. Motion carried unanimously, Absent: J. Schurman. Pieters moved, seconded by C. Schurman to approve the minutes from July 25th, 2022 special council meeting. Motion carried unanimously, Absent: J. Schurman. Pieters moved, seconded by Blackburn the motion to approve City bills as presented with discussion on solar panels, welcome sign, and Hackbarth property. Motion carried unanimously, Absent: J. Schurman. Hours were presented for Renee Oltrogge, City Clerk and Kelly Haskin, Water/Sewer Supervisor. Blackburn moved, C. Schurman seconded the motion to approve hours as presented. Motion carried unanimously, Absent: J. Schurman.

Public comments: Mayor Stearns presented building permit for 407 W Sycamore St. C. Schurman moved to approve as presented, seconded by Pieters. Motion carried unanimously, Absent: J. Schurman. Letter from Dave Hagberg regarding the wood chips at the stick dump was presented.

Melissa Johanson, Librarian, presented the library report. Kids summer programs went over very well this summer. Starting to put together adult programming. Johanson presented PO's Baker & Taylor, 202207301 \$197.47, Summer Reading Program, 202207302 \$158.56, Microsoft, 202207303 \$267.49, Amazon, 202207304 \$62.03. Mull moved, C. Schurman seconded the motion to approve PO's as presented. Motion carried unanimously, Absent: J. Schurman.

Scott Williams, Fire Chief was unable to attend. Mayor Stearns presented PO #81 for approval in the amount of \$1152.75. Blackburn moved, C. Schurman seconded the motion to approve PO's as presented. Motion carried unanimously, Absent: J. Schurman.

JJ Veld was unable to attend to present the public works report. Mayor Stearns advised JJ is working on replacing a break line on the end loader. The two manhole covers have been installed on Main Street. Mayor Stearns discussed the intensity of the city water system in regard to the recent water tower cleaning, which all went well.

Mayor Stearns presented the nuisance report for discussion.

Mayor Stearns advised on distressed properties; 106 4th St some news about proposed concrete work. 208 3rd St picked up more garbage from the property, removed two copper ground rods, and it has been mowed around the perimeter. 301 W Market St has a new tenant and they are working on cleaning up the property inside and out and installing a new roof. 308 6th St & 601 W Sycamore has been contacted with no response, new letters will be issued.

Mayor Stearns discussed status of current grants. Mayor Stearns presented the new Impact 7G agreement and discussed the Brownfield Grant. C. Schurman moved, Pieters seconded the motion to approve the Brownfield Grant Redevelopment Program Asbestos Study and Impact 7G

contract to only pay the portion the grant will cover and exclude core sampling the gym roof. Motion carried unanimously, Absent: J. Schurman. Pieters advised the lights have been delivered for the school gym. Hardin County Conservation & Sewer Hook Up: Nothing new. Proposed River road sewer installation: Mayor Stearns reporting the access has been granted to the city into the grant writing system and phase 2 will be worked on this week. Discussion about the proposed storm-water drainage for north of E Market St using ARPA grant money. Discussion on FEMA grant application for a new emergency generator for the lift station. Expecting the new emergency generator for the city wells to show up any day. The remainder of the cost of the well generator project will be paid for by the ARPA grants.

Update on road repairs per Mayor Stearns and others. The county will be working near Garden City next year so we will obtain a quote from their company and also price out concrete. Pieters advised he has someone to give a quote on cleaning our patches and redoing those areas to budget for.

Mayor Stearns presented the amended language to update policies on nuisance and municipal infractions codes for discussion. Some minor adjustments were recommended by council along with a request to have the city attorney review.

Mayor Stearns presented the new proposed policy for an animal control code. This new code, recommended by City Attorney Nederhoff, would replace existing Code 5-3-1 Chapter 3. Language was discussed with a couple questions. With this proposed new code, all complaints for dogs to be called into Hardin County Sheriff dispatch. Questions about bees and vaccinations to be discussed with the city attorney.

Mayor Stearns presented Committees thru 2023 and Dave Mull has been placed secondary on Fire/

Safety and Streets/Alleys. C. Schurman moved, Pieters seconded the motion to approve the Committees as presented. Motion carried unanimously, Absent: J. Schurman, Abstained: Mull.

Mayor Stearns presented the Annual Financial Report and Resolution #22-06. C. Schurman moved, Mull seconded the motion to approve Resolution #22-06 as presented. Roll call – Blackburn-aye, Mull-aye, Pieters-aye, and C. Schurman-aye. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: J. Schurman.

Mayor Stearns present the Streets Financial Report. Blackburn moved, Pieters seconded the motion to approve report as presented. Roll call – Blackburn-aye, Mull-aye, Pieters-aye, and C. Schurman-aye. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: J. Schurman.

Mayor's comments: We all need to work at having a more positive attitude.

C. Schurman moved, Mull seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously, Absent: J. Schurman. Meeting adjourned at 8:41 pm.

Timothy A. Stearns, Mayor
Renee Oltrogge, City Clerk

**Transfer \$23,434.57 from
#4521804809 Sewer Operating
Savings to #4521770588
Checking as of 10/22/2019**

Check 10/15/2019 1246
Ag Machinery, Bearing at treatment plant..... \$ 180.62
Check 10/15/2019 1251
City of Eldora, Lift Station Repair \$ 2,363.00
Check 10/15/2019 1253
Current Electric, Repairs at Lift Station & Lights in Rock Solid Fitness \$ 424.61
Check 10/15/2019 1262
Iowa pump works, Labor, machine work..... \$ 19,713.77
Check 10/15/2019 1264
Kesley Electric, Invoice #39239..... \$ 752.57

TOTAL.....\$ 23,434.57