MINUTES OF THE TRAER CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of Traer, Iowa met in regular session on Monday, June 5th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at Municipal Hall.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Holden called the meeting to order at 7:00pm with Council Members Rausch, Panfil, Erhardt and Holst present. Kennedy was absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Rausch, seconded by Erhardt, that the agenda is approved. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT

Michelle Cheever and Jeff Morrow with Anderson Bogert were present to introduce themselves. Anderson Bogert is an engineering company who works closely with communities similar to ours. Dysart being a community they serve, they just wanted stop in and introduce themselves and make us aware of their services.

Tina Jones, chairman of the Sesquicentennial Civil War reenactment committee, was present to discuss the plans the committee has been working on for a reenactment tentatively scheduled on August 24-27th, 2023. Tina informed the council that this reenactment is being planned to be hosted at Mo McWhirter's place on Vista Street with more than 100 actors planned to attend. Having not heard about this prior the council had some questions. Some questions included parking, garbage, bathrooms, housing, noise, etc. The council told Tina they would need to see a solid plan, addressing many concerns, of the festivities prior to them taking place.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Panfil, seconded by Rausch, that the minutes of the May 1st, 2023 meeting are approved. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

MOTION by Panfil, seconded by Holst, that the May Checks (#30620-30683) and 3 ACH payments (53020231, 23020232, 53020233) totaling \$459,633.25, are approved. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

BEER/LIQUOR LICENSES

MOTION by Panfil, seconded by Rausch, to approve the license renewal for Traer Short Stop. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

SALE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY

Mayor Holden declared a public hearing at this point in the meeting to discuss the sale of Lot 59 in the Prairie West addition. Clerk Blaine had not received any written or verbal comments from anyone prior to the meeting, and no comments were made during the public hearing. Mayor Holden closed the public hearing. MOTION by Erhardt, seconded by Rausch, approving RESOLUTION 06-05-23-01 authorizing the Sale of City Real Property to Tiffany and Richard Morgan. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

CONCERNS/COMMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS

Traer Ambulance Service recently accepted an application for an EMT/Driver to fill the open position that has been posted for many months. Travis Waller, a NT alum and Traer resident, recently gradated from the EMT course at Hawkeye Community College and is planning to peruse paramedic schooling. MOTION by Holst, seconded by Erhardt to hire Waller on as an EMT/Driver with the Traer Ambulance Service starting at \$15.00/hr. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

Kennedy, who was absent from the meeting, had requested that we look at increasing lifeguard and pool manager wages. She feels we need to stay competitive and look appealing to applicants. Kennedy had suggested to the council, via email, to increase starting lifeguard wages from \$9.50 to \$11.00 and starting manager wages from \$11.50 to \$13.00. All guards and managers would start the season at the new rate, and as always, returning guards and managers would receive an additional .25 cents. MOTION by Holst, seconded by Rausch, to approve the proposed wage increase to the lifeguards and pool managers effective this 2023 pool season. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

Since the start of the pool season is here it was brought to our attention that the Traer Municipal Swimming Pool does not have an AED device anywhere on the premises. Clerk Blaine informed the council that the pool is the only city building that doesn't have an AED present and probably the building that needs it the most. With the help of Traer Ambulance Manager Shaun Kennedy a quote of \$2,051 was presented to the council, for the purchase of the AED and pediatric sized pads that would also be needed. MOTION by Rausch, seconded by Panfil, to approve the purchase of an AED and the pediatric pads needed. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

STAFF REPORTS

Months ago Katherine with Tama County Econ. Development had told us about La Terraza working with Member's 1st to acquire the empty bank building on the corner of Hwy 63 and Hwy 8 to expand their restaurant. Little has been said about it and today Clerk Blaine received a call form a company inquiring about demoing the Member's 1st building. There were questioning permits and the process they need to go through with the City. Clerk Blaine wanted everyone aware as nobody wants to see that building come down.

The next regular council meeting will be July 10th at 7pm There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

PETE HOLDEN, MAYOR HALEY BLAINE, CITY CLERK

TRAER CHECK REGISTER JUNE 2023		
A.W.E SERVICE	Parts/Service	77.38
AFD GRAPHIC SOLUTIONS	Paper Products	372.76
AFLAC	Insurance	38.52
ALISON HOWARD	Library Hours	640.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	Library Supplies	572.84
AMY LIDGETT	Refund	100.00
ANNA MCBRIDE	Refund	50.00
Blue Cross & Blue Shield	Insurance	6,922.45
BOUND TREE MEDICAL L.L.C.	Amb. Supplies	7,479.80
CENTRAL IOWA DISTRIBUTING, INC.	Paper Products	39.00
CHAMPION ENTERPRISES, LLC	Repairs/Service	971.76
CHELSEA JAMIESON	Refund	50.00
CHICK STUDIOS	Reimbursement	4,229.74
CHRIS COOPER	Reimbursement	50.00
COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC	Publication	12.96
COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC	Publication	17.28
COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC	Publication	82.56
COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC	Publication	102.72
COOLEY SANITATION LLC	Garbage	14,795.00
COOPER FARMS, INC.	Lights	2,599.20
DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP	Parts/Service	2,292.09
DEB UNKER	Refund	50.00
DIANE PANFIL	Reimbursement	2,358.42
DONNA DEBOEF	Refund	100.00
EMS Learning Resources Center	Pool CPR/Aide	46.00
HOMETOWN FOODS	Misc. Supplies	88.62
Ingram Library Services	Library Books	1,756.05
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY	Reimbursement	2,450.00
KCL GROUP BENEFITS	Insurance	148.17
KENSINGTON PICK	Park Cleaning	50.00
MASTERCARD	Misc. Supplies	4,315.75
MERCYONE	Amb. Drugs	33.53
MICHELLE SEALOCK	Refund	100.00
Municipal Supply, Inc.	FD Addition Meters	3,309.30
NAPA AUTO PARTS	Parts/Supplies	38.54
NEIL O'BRIEN	Refund	50.00
PERFECT CIRCLE, LLC	Property Clean-Up	1,290.00
PRECISION LAWN CARE	Park Mowing	1,380.00
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RACOM CORPORATION	Radios	1,015.00
RANDY MATHEWS	Property Mowing	40.00
REDHAWK YOUTH SPORTS	Option Tax Money	5,000.00
SCHOLASTIC INC.	Library Supplies	172.28
SCHUMACHER ELEVATOR COMPANY	Elevator Maint.	2,536.01
Shamrock Lawn Services	Park Weed Control	450.00

SHAUN KENNEDY	Reimbursement	1,000.00
SINCLAIR	Fuel	1,372.52
SMALL BUT MIGHTY		
STOREY KENWORTHY	Office Supply	85.58
TAMA CO. SHERIFF'S OFFICE	Letter Delivery	67.00
TAMA CO. SHERIFF'S OFFICE	Contract	13,953.24
TAMA CO. SOLID WASTE COMISSION	Fees	18,204.50
TAMA/GRUNDY PUBLISHING	Ads	230.85
TRAER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	Reimbursement	4,439.98
TRAER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	Utilities	4,765.71
TRAER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	Office Services	9,000.00
Traer Theatre Inc.	Library Purchase	120.00
Traer Theatre Inc.	Reimbursement	3,250.00
TRUE BUILDERS	FD Addition	31,150.00
U.S. CELLULAR	Phones	229.42
UMB BANK, N.A.**	Loan	38,760.00
UMB BANK, N.A.**	Loan	81,443.75
UMB BANK, N.A.**	Loan	178,546.25
WENDT TIRE & SERVICE	Repairs/Service	835.00
WHANNEL'S HARDWARE	Misc. Supplies	152.54
WINDSTREAM	Phones	69.16
WINDSTREAM	Phones	530.02
**Denotes ACH Payment	-	459,633.25
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	MAY 2023 REVENUES	
	GENERAL FUND	
	SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	\$175,645
	DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$25,887
CAPITAL PROJECT		\$9,955
	CAFITAL PROJECTS	\$0
		\$211,487
	MAY 2023	
	DISBURSEMENTS	
	GENERAL FUND	\$332,280
	SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	\$45,519
	DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$298,750
	CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$0
	-	\$676,549
	MAY 2022 FUND	
	MAY 2023 FUND BALANCES	
	GENERAL FUND	\$1,479,965
	SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	\$597,173
	DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$27,513
	CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$27,515
	-	\$2,104,651
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