

MINUTES OF THE TRAER CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of Traer, Iowa met in regular session on **Monday June 1st, 2020** at 7:00 p.m. The session was held remotely, via Zoom, due to the current restrictions COVID 19 has caused.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Holden called the meeting to order with Council Members Holst, Kennedy, Rausch, Schafer and Foster answering roll call.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Holst, seconded by Foster, that the minutes of the May 4th, 2020 meeting are approved. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

MOTION by Foster, seconded by Schafer, that the May Checks (#28546-28593), total of \$151,705.59 are approved. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

FY20 2nd BUDGET AMENDMENT

The Mayor noted that this was the time for the public hearing on the FY20 2nd budget amendment, as published in the Traer Star Clipper. The City Clerk noted that there were no written or verbal objections to the notice prior to the meeting, and there were no verbal objections at the meeting. The public hearing was closed.

MOTION by Rausch, seconded by Kennedy, to approve RESOLUTION 06-01-20-1; adopting the FY20 2nd Budget Amendment. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

SEWER SERVICE CHARGE ADJUSTMENTS

The council discussed current sewer service charges and the need to make adjustments in order to help pay, operate, upgrade and maintain the system. Currently customers pay 50% of the bill for water. This new developed rate schedule would repeal and replace Chapter 99 Section 99.01 of the City Code of Ordinances.

Basic Service and Monthly Minimum per Meter	\$12.10
First 1000 gallons per month	included in base charge
Next 4,000 gallons per month	\$4.95
Next 15,000 gallons per month	\$4.65
Over 20,000 gallons per month	\$4.35

MOTION by Schafer, seconded by Rausch, to approve RESOLUTION 06-01-20-2 Adopting Sewer Service Charges for Users of the City of Traer Waste Water Collection System.

REDEMPTION/PARTIAL REDEMPTION OF SEWER REVENUE CAPITAL LOANS

The City of Traer currently has 2 outstanding sewer revenue loans from 2001 & 2003 from previous projects done. The council discussed paying ahead on these loans to alleviate some debt before starting the wastewater upgrade/sewer lining project that's on track to start next year. These loans are held by the City of Traer but are paid for from TMU's sewer fund. The funds are available to make these payments if the council chooses to do so.

MOTION by Foster, seconded by Kennedy to approve RESOLUTION 06-01-20-3, Authorizing the Partial Redemption of Outstanding Sewer Revenue Capital Loan Note, Series 2001, dated August 31, 2001.

MOTION by Foster, seconded by Kennedy to approve RESOLUTION 06-01-20-4, Authorizing the Redemption of Outstanding Sewer Revenue Capital Loan Note, Series 2003, dated August 05, 2003.

CONCERNS/COMMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS

The council discussed the 2020 pool season once more. It was decided that the pool would open for lap swimming and lessons following all the guidelines that Governor Reynolds has in place at this time. Manager Cindy Youel was hopeful that the pool could open as early as next week, with lessons hopefully starting late June. Cindy and Assistant Manager Josie Hulme will talk with the City office to discuss opening day and more details later this week.

The council also decided to open both the Traer Memorial Building & Taylor Park Shelter for rentals again. Both venues will also be following all guidelines put in place by Governor Reynolds. Both venues will also have additional rules to follow during this time, such as no buffet service/self-serve food allowed, all the utensils, plates, cups, etc. will be locked during this time and will be the responsibility of the renter to supply. The council also decided to keep the Taylor Park restrooms locked to the public, unless the shelter is rented.

Council member Holst was approached by the Traer Chamber of Commerce with a few ideas about “sprucing” up the City in time for our 150th anniversary in a couple of years. A few projects they mentioned were painting light poles, repairing or replacing the drinking fountain downtown, and the condition of the park driveway. The council agreed to discuss these options further, and maybe work alongside the Chamber to get projects started.

City Clerk Blaine mentioned being approached by a citizen with the concern of vehicle speed in the new addition. She wondered if a speed bump could be put in the area to help slow traffic down. The City currently has 2 speed bumps available for use. The council discussed making this speed bump a “floating speed bump” and moving it around town to help control the speed in some areas. Public Works Superintendent Cooper and City Clerk Blaine were going to look into signage and the possibility of moving forward with this idea.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Check Register attached.

PETE HOLDEN, MAYOR
HALEY BLAINE, CITY CLERK

TRAER CHECK REGISTER JUN 2020

ALLIANT ENERGY	GAS	791.66
AMAZON.COM	LIBRARY SUPPLIES	1,673.84
AMERICAN BUSINESS PHONES	CAMERA MAINT.	480.88
AUDITOR OF STATE	AUDITOR FEES	212.50
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	LIBRARY BOOKS	17.43
Blue Cross & Blue Shield	INSURANCE	5,430.64
Calhoun-Burns & Associates, Inc.	ENGINEER WORK	8,695.25
CHRIS COOPER	REIMBURSEMENT	50.00
CINDY YOUEL	REIMBURSEMENT	195.74
COOLEY SANITATION LLC	GARBAGE	10,198.00
Demco Inc.	LIBRARY	493.84
DENNY GREINER	REFUND	100.00
EXPERIENCE LIFE MAGAZINE	LIBRARY	27.95
HOMETOWN FOODS	COFFEE/CLEANER	37.22
Ingram Library Services	LIBRARY	2,449.70
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY--ACH	NOTE PAYMENT	6,281.25
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY--ACH	NOTE PAYMENT	51,461.50
J.E.T. ENTERPRISES	MEM. BLDG. PAINTING	2,698.00
JARED BAUCH	TREES	643.99
JOHNSON CONTROLS FIRE PROTECTION LP	LIBRARY CONTRACT	652.58
KCL GROUP BENEFITS	INSURANCE	116.50
KELLY JANTZEN	REFUND	100.00
L.L. OWENS & ASSOC.	INSURANCE	332.00
MARSHALL MULLNIX	REIMBURSEMENT	65.55
MASTERCARD	MISC. SUPPLIES	86.83
NAPA AUTO PARTS	PARTS/SUPPLIES	209.72
NEIL O'BRIEN	REIMBURSEMENT	635.09
New Century FS	GREENYARD DELUXE	90.95
PHYSICIAN'S CLAIMS COMPANY	AMB. BILLING	1,177.43
PRECISION LAWN CARE	PARK MOWING	1,380.00
PREMIER	LIB. COPIER CONTRACT	423.50
RACOM CORPORATION	AMB. RADIO WORK	819.00
Reuman's Clothing	CLOTHING	164.00
ROSANNE FOSTER	REIMBURSEMENT	1,090.26
SCHUMACHER ELEVATOR COMPANY	LIBRARY MAINT.	2,389.69
SINCLAIR	FUEL	1,049.09
STOREY KENWORTHY	MISC. SUPPLIES	110.75
SUPERIOR WELDING	AMB. OXYGEN	100.55
TAMA CO. SHERIFF'S OFFICE	CONTRACT	9,756.00
TAMA CO. SOLID WASTE COMISSION	PER CAPITA FEES	13,624.00
TAMA/GRUNDY PUBLISHING	LEGALS	773.25
THOMPSON TRUCK & TRAILER, INC.	DUMP TRUCK WORK	5,407.94

TRAER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	UTILITIES	3,465.76
TRAER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	LAGOON REIMB.	4,156.05
TRAER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	OFFICE SERVICES	9,000.00
Traer Theatre Inc.	REIMBURSEMENT	1,700.00
U.S. CELLULAR	AMBULANCE PHONES	151.31
WHANNEL'S HARDWARE	MISC. SUPPLIES	159.50
WINDSTREAM	PHONE LINE/FAX	73.85
WINDSTREAM	PHONE LINES	505.05
		151,705.59

MAY 2020 REVENUES

GENERAL FUND	\$72,442
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	\$27,366
DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$65,883
CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$0
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	\$165,691

MAY 2020 DISBURSEMENTS

GENERAL FUND	\$311,593
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	\$36,616
DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$0
CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$341,406
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	\$689,615

MAY 2020 FUND BALANCES

GENERAL FUND	\$1,336,597
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	\$255,079
DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$0
CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$0
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	\$1,591,676