

PROCEEDINGS: BATTLE CREEK CITY COUNCIL NOV. 8 MINUTES & CLAIMS

**NOV. 8, 2022
BATTLE CREEK, IA**

The Battle Creek City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2022, at 6 p.m. at the Fire Station. Mayor Pierce presided over the meeting. Council members present: Jary Vermeys, Myra Meek, Jeanette Holmes, Jill Wingert, and Kevin Dausel.

Mayor Pierce called the meeting to order. Motion by Meek, seconded by Wingert to approve the agenda and meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Lydia Peterson presented the council their plan of obtaining the lot at 507 Maple Street, removing the current house, and constructing a shed with water and sewer. The council did not see an issue with that idea and advised her to get a building permit prior to construction.

Gloria Rickabaugh expressed her concerns with the condition of the property at 414 Clara Street. Doug Loehr was also present. Discussion was held. The council noted that as long as Doug continues to show progress with the property they will not pursue action at this time.

The clerk was directed to send a nuisance letter to 500 Elm Street for excessive brush and weeds, 305 5th Street is awaiting clean up, 406 Clara Street has been served with a nuisance abatement letter and 507 Willow Street nuisance abatement letter will be issued by the attorney.

Craig stated that hydrants will be flushed this week.

The Mt. Hope Cemetery Board was present and expressed their concerns/challenges. Sheryl Goodman submitted her resignation from the board effective immediately and Dixie Brueck will be resigning Dec. 31, 2022. The Maple Township clerk and trustees were also present. Motion by Vermeys, seconded by Holmes to further pursue ways/ideas to address the concerns and the future operations of the cemetery. Motion carried unanimously.

Craig will get a quote for the broken window at the shelter house and reimbursement will be requested from the responsible party.

The air unit for the community hall was tabled until spring.

Motion by Holmes, seconded by Wingert to increase the rent for the shelter house and community hall from \$50 to \$75 effective Jan. 1, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

A building permit for 515 6th

Street for a ramp was issued.

The next monthly city council meeting will be held Tuesday, Dec. 5 at 6 p.m. in the Community Hall.

Motion by Wingert, seconded by Meek to approve the reports and bills. Motion carried unanimously.

Wingert moved to adjourn at 7:57 p.m. Dausel seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Diane Lansink, City Clerk

Charles Pierce, Mayor

CLAIMS: 10/13/22 – 11/8/22:

Consolidated Electrical Dist, generator testing \$859.20; Al's Corner, fuel \$262.50; Amazon, supplies \$147.20; Battle Creek Ambulance, support \$5,500; Battle Creek Library, support \$9,250; Birds & Bloom, subscription \$15; Boerner & Goldsmith, legal fees \$212.50; Bomgaars, supplies \$160.73; Builders Sharpening, supplies \$1,895; Corey Tarr, fire \$20; EFTPS, taxes \$2,691.31; Feld Fire, supplies \$1,179.14; Foundation Analytical Lab, testing \$33; Frontier, utilities \$802.67; Growmark, fuel \$707.59; Gworks, annual license \$2,806; Hoefling Lawn Services, spraying \$750; Ida County EMS, support \$1,719.50; Ida County Sanitation, service \$5,414.68; Ida County Sheriff's Dept., serving papers \$39; Ida Grove Food Pride, supplies \$4.50; Ida Grove NAPA, supplies \$317.84; Iowa One Call, locates \$33.50; IRWA, dues \$225; IPERS, pension \$1,570.45; Jeanie Grove, supplies \$83.45; Menards, supplies \$166.83; Mid-America Publishing, publications \$69.30; MidAmerican, utilities \$1,828.30; Mt. Hope Cemetery, support \$500; Neville Construction, repairs \$998.97; Postmaster, postage \$192; Sam's Club, supplies \$60.72; Selections, supplies \$49.84; U.S. Postal Service, box rent \$66; Uline, supplies \$288.80; Payroll (10/11/22) \$3,986.95; Payroll (10/25/22) \$3,709.25.

OCTOBER:

DISBURSEMENTS: General \$34,789.29; Library \$1,410.62; RUT \$36,728.96; T&A \$602.62; Emergency \$0; LOST \$72.36; Sliplining \$0; Water \$5,677.01; Sewer \$4,897.23; Garbage \$60,00; Storm Water \$0.

REVENUE: General \$75,263.51; Library \$6.81; RUT \$8,062.73; T&A \$6,210.36; Emergency \$1,628.01; LOST \$3,749.68; Sliplining \$1,566.92; Capital Equipment Fund \$0; Water \$6,709.88; Sewer \$5,668.24; Garbage \$5,202.20; Storm Water \$1,581.89.