

# PROCEEDINGS: BATTLE CREEK CITY COUNCIL MARCH 14 MINUTES & CLAIMS

**March 14, 2023  
Battle Creek, IA**

The Battle Creek City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, March 14, 2023, at 6 p.m. at the Community Hall. 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 Vermeys, seconded by Wingert to approve the agenda and meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Pierce opened the public hearing at 6 p.m. on the Issuance of conduit revenue notes for Horn Memorial Hospital in an amount not to exceed \$7,700,000.

Budget Hearing rescheduled for April 11 at 6 p.m.

Rick Nichols and Lauri Hummelgard with the Hoffman Agency were present to review with the council the annual insurance renewal at a cost of \$32,811. Motion by Meek, seconded by Holmes to approve as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

The mayor closed the hearing at 6:07 p.m. with no comments/input received. Motion by Wingert, seconded by Vermeys to approve Resolution 2023-04 authorizing and providing for the issuance of not to exceed \$7,700,000 aggregate principal amount of one or more revenue notes (Horn Memorial Hospital Project), of the City of Battle Creek, Iowa, for the purpose of lending the proceeds thereof to the borrower; the execution and delivery of one or more loan agreements between the city and the borrower providing for the repayment of the loan of the proceeds of said notes and the securing of said repayment obligation; the sale of said notes; the execution of an assignment and pledge agreement; and the execution of other documents related thereto. Ayes: Wingert, Dausel, Holmes, Vermeys; Abstain: Meek. Motion carried. A \$10,000 issuer fee will be collected by the city.

Jody Jepsen was present to request rezoning of his property along Clara Street from residential to commercial. A motion was made by Vermeys, seconded by Dausel to set a public hearing for the next meeting – April 11 at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. The public can voice their thoughts at this time. Letters will be sent out to property owners within 250' of the Jepsen property informing them of the request and of the hearing on April 11.

Pat Stevens, Ambulance, presented the council with quotes to redo the floor in the ambulance building. Pat asked if the city would be willing to help with the cost. Motion by Vermeys, seconded by Wingert to pay half of the costs involved. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Harriman gave a report on his department. He and the

council discussed funding of countywide law.

Justin George, Ida County Sanitation, presented the council with a \$1.25 increase per household for garbage/recycling collection. Motion by Vermeys, seconded Meek to accept the increase. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Vermeys, seconded by Dausel to use LOST funds to absorb this rate increase and revisit garbage rates at a later date. Motion carried unanimously.

Nuisances were reviewed.

The City Clerk will work with Ida County Sanitation to determine a date for Citywide Clean Up.

The city has 10 – 8' tables for sale. \$15/each. Contact the clerk's office if interested.

Motion by Holmes, seconded by Meek to approve the liquor license renewal for Fred's Place. Ayes: Wingert, Meek, Dausel, Holmes; Abstain: Vermeys. Motion carried.

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

Wingert moved to adjourn at 7:42 p.m. Meek seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Diane Lansink, City Clerk  
Charles Pierce, Mayor

**CLAIMS: 2/16/23 – 3/14/23:**

ACCO, supplies \$1,507.90; Al's Corner, fuel \$314.43; Bomgaars, supplies \$345.85; Cash, petty cash \$25.89; Chad's Plumbing, repairs \$810; Charles Pierce, mileage \$11.25; Council Bluffs Online, domain renewal \$35; Craig Young, uniform allowance \$35.65; Crawford County Sheriff, fees \$47.55; Diane Lansink, supplies \$13.96; Discover, tables \$1,353.70; EFTPS, taxes \$2,735.50; Foundation Analytical Lab, testing \$36.25; Frontier, utilities \$875.34; Growmark FS, fuel \$656.51; Ida County Sanitation, service \$5,238.87; Ida Grove NAPA, supplies \$15.65; IMFOA, dues \$50; Treasurer State of Iowa, water excise tax \$310.22; IPERS, pension \$1,587.34; J.P. Cooke Tag Co, supplies \$80.05; Mid-America Publishing, publications \$185.61; MidAmerican, utilities \$3,011; Office of Auditor of State, exam fee \$1,200; Postmaster, postage \$96; Rehab Systems, repairs \$837.50; USA Bluebook, supplies \$885.31; Payroll (2/14/23) \$3,891.08; Payroll (2/28/23) \$4,221.95.

**FEBRUARY:**

**DISBURSEMENTS:** General \$3,562.29; Ambulance \$2,645.41; Library \$1,348.61; RUT \$4,36.70; T&A \$610.75; Emergency \$0; LOST \$4,669.98; Sliplining \$0; Water \$5,874.55; Sewer \$5,049.96; Garbage \$5,238.87; Storm Water \$0.

**REVENUE:** General \$961.58; Ambulance \$1,584.13; Library \$36.29; RUT \$8,003.84; T&A \$63.20; Emergency \$16.57; LOST \$11,585.34; Sliplining \$1,431.23; Capital Equipment Fund \$0; Water \$5,807.15; Sewer \$4,729.20; Garbage \$4,670.98; Storm Water \$1,520.63.