

PROCEEDINGS: BATTLE CREEK CITY COUNCIL APRIL 11 MINUTES & CLAIMS

**APRIL 11, 2023
BATTLE CREEK, IA**

The Battle Creek City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, at 6 p.m. at the Community Hall. Mayor Pierce presided over the meeting. Council members present: Jary Vermeys, Myra Meek, Jeanette Holmes, and Jill Wingert. Kevin Dausel was absent.

Mayor Pierce called the meeting to order. Motion by Vermeys, seconded by Holmes to approve the agenda and meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Mayor Pierce opened the public hearing at 6 p.m. on the FY24 Budget. The public hearing was closed at 6:11 with no public comment received. Motion to approve Resolution 2023-05 by Wingert, seconded by Meek to approve the budget as published. Motion carried.

Motion by Vermeys, seconded by Meek to accept the bid from Johnson Propane for a new heat/cooling unit for the community hall at a cost of \$12,900. Motion carried.

Roger Kropf was present to discuss concerns over the discolored water at his residence. The city did experience a 4" water main break and the fire trucks had filled their tanker often in the past few weeks due to fire calls and controlled burns. Craig explained what he does for testing and what the city does to help control the rust in the water. Residents are encouraged to direct their issues/concerns with city water to Craig, Water Superintendent, in the future.

At 6:30, the mayor opened the rezoning hearing. Jody Jepsen requested rezoning of his property along Clara Street from residential to commercial. Several property owners were present to voice their concerns along with one letter received against the rezoning. The mayor closed the public hearing at 6:47. Motion by Vermeys, seconded by Wingert to deny Jepsen's request to rezone. Motion carried.

Pat Stevens, Ambulance, reported on his department. They are holding an Omelet Breakfast Fundraiser at the Fire Station on April 23rd and they are conducting a raffle for a 3-night fishing trip.

An update on nuisances was reported.

The city council set the date of Saturday, June 10 for City Wide Clean Up.

Battle Creek Library will be holding a game night on Tuesday, April 18.

The Clerk asked the council to review a new building permit application and changes were recommended.

Motion by Meek, seconded by Wingert to approve a building permit for 101 Elm Street – deck on front of house and 507 Maple – privacy fence. Motion carried.

Motion by Meek, seconded by Wingert to approve the renewal of liquor license for Sparky's. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Vermeys, seconded by Meek to approve a building permit for 507 Maple – 34' x 54' shed. Motion carried.

Vermeys moved to adjourn at 7:32 p.m. Meek seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Diane Lansink, City Clerk

Charles Pierce, Mayor

CLAIMS: 3/16/23 – 4/11/23:

ACCO	supplies	145.44
Al's Corner	fuel	342.74
Battle Creek Ambulance	support.....	5,500.00
Battle Creek Library	support.....	9,250.00
Bomgaars	supplies	461.78
Boysen Electric...repairs		316.69
EFTPS	taxes.....	2,751.32
Empire Excavation.....	digging	1,442.50
Foundation Analytical Lab	testing	36.25
Frontier	utilities	875.34
Good Housekeeping.....	subscription	32.07
Growmark FS	fuel	333.44
Hoffman Agency	insurance	24,136.00
Ida County EMS	support.....	1,719.50
Ida County Sanitation	service	5,200.49
Ida County Sheriff..law...29,655.75		
Ida Grove NAPA . supplies... 161.22		
IPERS..... pension		1,709.11
Johnson Propane . repairs...273.30		
Mid-America Publishing.....	publications.....	196.52
MidAmerican..... utilities....2,583.95		
Mt. Hope Cemetery	support.....	500.00
People Magazine.....	subscription	20.00
Postmaster	postage	207.00
Selections..... supplies.....		20.06
Treasurer State of Iowa	withholding.....	1,209.38
USA Bluebook ... supplies...638.96		
WITCC..... training		540.00
Payroll..... (3/14/23).....		3,863.43
Payroll..... (3/28/23).....		4,840.78

MARCH:

DISBURSEMENTS:

General.....	6,069.63
Ambulance.....	7,838.64
Library.....	1,312.45
RUT	4,817.78
T&A.....	708.31
Emergency	0
LOST	0
Sliplining	0
Water	6,902.29
Sewer	6,460.81
Garbage.....	5,356.03
Storm Water	0

REVENUE:

General.....	64,329.93
Ambulance.....	5,239.23
Library.....	28.89
RUT	4,643.78
T&A.....	321.26
Emergency	84.22
LOST	19,751.81
Sliplining	1,675.04
Capital Equipment Fund	0
Water	7,583.49
Sewer	5,617.76
Garbage.....	5,632.45
Storm Water	1,732.34