

# PROCEEDINGS: IDA GROVE CITY COUNCIL MARCH 6 MINUTES

## CITY OF IDA GROVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2023

5:30 p.m.

### TEMPORARY CITY HALL 311 BARNES STREET

**1. Call to Order:** Mayor, Nathan Weitzl, called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

**2. Roll Call:** Present: Gregor Ernst, Jeff Miesner, Ange Johnson, Jared Bogue. Absent: Jason Schable.

**3. Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Johnson to approve, second by Ernst. Motion carried 4-0.

**4. Wade Harriman - Countywide Law Budget Update:** Sheriff Harriman provided a personnel update, arrest report and discussed the FY24 Countywide Law Budget. Harriman noted he understands the City's are struggling with a \$258,000 Countywide Law Budget increase from FY23 to FY24. Harriman further explained that approximately 73% of the budget increase is due to salaries and benefits and the remaining 27% being directly related to annual line item increases such as motor vehicle purchases/maintenance and fuel.

**5. Travis Loutsch - Request for Sewer Forgiveness:** Loutsch was not in attendance. Motion by Ernst to approve the sewer forgiveness request in the amount of \$40.60 due to an outside spigot leak, second by Miesner. Motion carried 4-0.

**6. Consent Agenda:** Motion by Miesner to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following: Clerk's Report, claims in the amount of \$69,478.24, financial reports, minutes of the 2/21/2023 & 2/28/2023 meetings and permits, second by Johnson. Motion carried 4-0.

**7. Ida County Public Safety & Communications Commission:** Motion by Miesner to appoint Weitzl as the City's voting representative and Johnson as the alternate voting

representative, second by Ernst. Motion carried 4-0.

**8. Authorized Signors - United Bank of Iowa, Shelby County State Bank:** Motion by Bogue to approve removing Whiteing and adding Weitzl as authorized signor at United Bank of Iowa and Shelby County State Bank, second by Johnson. Motion carried 4-0.

**9. Ida Grove Cemetery Agreement:** Council reviewed a draft agreement between the City of Ida Grove and Ida Grove Cemetery. The agreement outlines snow removal responsibility and determines annual payment to the Cemetery in the amount of \$2,533. Motion by Miesner to table decision until further information can be obtained regarding liability for damages, second by Johnson. Motion carried 4-0.

**10. Mid-Sioux Agreement:** Motion by Ernst to approve the agreement authorizing annual payment to Mid-Sioux Opportunity, Inc. in the amount of \$1,000, second by Miesner. Motion carried 4-0.

**11. Summer Mowing - Hiring & Wage:** Motion by Ernst to approve hiring a temporary, seasonal employee for summer mowing help, not to exceed 30 hours per week, \$12/hour, second by Bogue. Motion carried 4-0.

**12. Kiwanis - Ballfield Heaters:** Motion by Miesner to approve NJB Electric to install four heaters at the ballfields, to be 100% reimbursed by Kiwanis, second by Ernst. Motion carried 4-0.

**13. City Council Member News & Notes:** Council will discuss parking on the 300 Block of Main Street at a future meeting.

**14. Adjournment:** Motion by Bogue to adjourn, second by Ernst. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Heather Sweeden, City Clerk  
Nathan Weitzl, Mayor