

CITY OF ODEBOLT - REGULAR MEETING

March 3, 2025 – Odebolt City Hall., 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Bengford called the meeting to order with the following Council in attendance: Carl Hemer, Seth Duff*, Drew Stuhrenberg, and Ron Sorensen. Absent: Levi Thies. Also present: Supt. Public Works Michael Grote, City Clerk Samantha Reese, Nancy Janssen (MAP), Jason DeJean (Swanson Insurance), Vicki Beckman, Rick Roeder, Dale Godbersen, Vance Lundell, Tisha Lindgren, and Lauren Mohrhauser

Motion was made by Stuhrenberg and seconded by Hemer to approve the consent agenda except building permits which included the agenda, February 2025 regular meeting minutes, bills, and financial reports, and library reports. 3 ayes.

*Seth Duff joined the meeting at 7:03PM.

Motion was made by Sorensen and seconded by Hemer to approve Hoefling Truck Wash's building permit. Note: other building permits set aside for clarification and will be considered at a later date.

CLAIMS FUND SUMMARY (February)

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| General | \$ 32,367.33 |
| Library | \$7,549.74 |
| Road Use Tax | \$4,116.90 |
| Capital Improvement | \$86,000 |
| American Rescue Plan | \$10,100.96 |
| Water | \$9,432.71 |
| <u>Sewer</u> | <u>\$15,401.49</u> |
| Total | \$ 164,969.13 |

RECEIPTS (February)

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|--------------------|-----------------|
| General | \$57,222.94 |
| Library | \$95.83 |
| Road Use Tax | \$10,029.16 |
| Employee Benefit | \$83.00 |
| LOST | \$7,770.22 |
| Debt Service | \$172.27 |
| Water | \$17,657.19 |
| Sewer | \$21,495.67 |
| <u>Storm Sewer</u> | <u>\$477.00</u> |
| Total | \$115,003.28 |

CLAIMS REPORT FEBRUARY 2025

| VENDOR | REFERENCE | AMOUNT |
|---|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| ACCO | CHEMICALS | \$ 484.80 |
| AMAZON BUSINESS | BOOKS/PROGRAMMING | \$ 406.50 |
| BADGER METER | BEACON METER HOSTING JAN 2025 | \$ 48.20 |
| BAKER & TAYLOR | LIBRARY BOOKS | \$ 136.80 |
| BEDROCK GRAVEL, INC. | BUILDING DEMOLITION | \$ 86,000.00 |
| JEFF ALLEN RAASCH | WEB MANAGER | \$ 75.00 |
| C&N TREE SERVICE LLC | TREE REMOVAL | \$ 6,300.00 |
| CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES INC | COPIER LEASE LIBRARY | \$ 174.68 |
| CITY OF ODEBOLT | FEB 2025 LIB PAYROLL REIMBURSE | \$ 2,496.63 |
| COLLECTION SERVICES CENTER | CHILD SUPPORT | \$ 230.00 |
| COMPUTER MD | TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE | \$ 293.00 |
| CUBBY'S INC. | FUEL CITY | \$ 702.49 |
| DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP | PLOW BLADE & SWEEPER BROOM | \$ 869.68 |
| DEARBORN LIFE INSURANCE CO. | LIFE INSURANCE | \$ 289.50 |
| EFTPS | FED/FICA TAX | \$ 3,597.53 |
| ED M FELD EQUIPMENT CO INC | FIRE EQUIPMENT | \$ 3,315.00 |
| FOUNDATION ANAYTICAL LAB | WATER TESTING | \$ 155.00 |
| GEORGE BLAZEK LAW OFFICE | LEGAL SERVICES | \$ 300.00 |
| HACH | SALT SOLUTION | \$ 63.87 |
| HALLETT MATERIALS | ROCK FOR 2ND ST | \$ 1,097.52 |
| HEMER'S PLBG & HTG | WATER TOWER MOTOR | \$ 843.30 |
| ISG | OPERATOR SERVICES | \$ 925.00 |
| IOWA FIRE CONTROL | LIBRARY | \$ 477.00 |
| IOWA ONE CALL | LOCATION SERVICES | \$ 5.40 |
| IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY | CLERK SCHOOLING | \$ 144.00 |
| IPERS | IPERS | \$ 2,761.11 |
| JULIE CHILDERS | FEB 2025 LIB REIMBURSEMENT | \$ 85.47 |
| LOFFLER COMPANIES, INC. | COPIER MAINTENANCE CONTRACT | \$ 72.12 |
| DEVON PIERCE METERING & TECHNOLOGY SOLUTION | PARTS, HISTORICAL SIGN REPAIR | \$ 130.52 |
| MIDAMERICAN ENERGY | METER SUPPLY | \$ 20,159.66 |
| MUNICIPAL MANAGEMENT CORP | LIB UTILITIES | \$ 476.76 |
| ODEBOLT LUMBER | EMERGENCY LEAK & ISOLATION | \$ 1,000.00 |
| ODEBOLT SOFT WATER | WIRE BUILD CITY HALL REPAIRS | \$ 201.77 |
| BRIAN PIERCE | LIB WATER COOLER/WATER SOFTENE | \$ 198.70 |
| POSTMASTER | CITY SNOW REMOVAL | \$ 820.00 |
| REIS AUTO PARTS AND SERVICE | POSTAGE UTILITY BILLS | \$ 217.50 |
| ROBERT A RUDD | BRAKE CLEANER | \$ 115.35 |
| SAC CO MUTUAL TELEPHONE | CONTRACT JAN 2025 | \$ 7,583.90 |
| STATE W/H | PHONE/FAX/INTERNET | \$ 486.15 |
| SAC COUNTY NEWSPAPER | STATE TAX | \$ 390.19 |
| TREASURER STATE OF IOWA | ADS/LEGAL | \$ 520.30 |
| U.S. CELLULAR | WATER EXCISE TAX JAN 2025 | \$ 1,288.62 |
| VISA | TELEPHONE | \$ 236.23 |
| WELLMARK | SUPPLIES, EXAKTIME LICENSE | \$ 624.09 |
| Accounts Payable Total | WELLMARK | \$ 4,039.69 |
| Payroll Checks | | \$ 150,839.03 |
| ***** REPORT TOTAL ***** | | \$ 14,130.10 |
| | | \$ 164,969.13 |

Jason Dejean was at the meeting to discuss insurance rates for the upcoming fiscal year. He discussed the premium increase that will be happening and that it will be about at 22% increase. He explained the rate increase is largely due to a higher loss ratio on top of regular rate increases. He talked with council about different options to try and drop the cost, but it wouldn't be by much. Motion was made by Hemer and seconded by Sorenesen for Tentative Approval of FY26 Budget and Consolidated General Fund Levy for FY26.

Res 25.29 Appoint Title VI/ADA Coordinator. Motion was made by Hemer and seconded by Sorensen to make current city clerk the Title VI/ADA Coordinator for the City of Odebolt. Roll Call Ayes: Hemer, Duff, Stuhrenberg, and Sorensen

Res 25.30 Set Hearing for Consolidated General Fund Levy FY26. Motion was made by Hemer and seconded by Duff to set CGFL Hearing for March 24, 2025 at 6:00 PM at Odebolt City Hall. Roll Call Ayes: Hemer, Duff, Stuhrenberg, and Sorensen.

Res 25.31 Set Hearing for Approval of Final FY26 Budget. Motion was made by Sorensen and seconded by Duff to set the Final Budget Hearing for April 7, 2025 at 7:05PM. Roll Call Ayes: Hemer, Duff, Stuhrenberg, and Sorensen.

Res 25.32 Insurance Resolution. Motion was made by Duff and seconded by Stuhrenberg to approve the insurance proposal Swanson's Insurance through Provident for Property, Inland Marine, General Liability, Automobile, Crime, Umbrella Excell Liability, Public Officials Liability, Fire Dept Insurance, and service fee for a total of \$52,619. Roll Call Ayes: Hemer, Duff, Stuhrenberg, and Sorensen.

Res 25.33 Hire & Set Wage for Assistant City Clerk. Motion was made by Hemer and seconded by Stuhrenberg to hire Shae Leinbaugh as Assistant City Clerk at \$20.00 per hour. Roll Call Ayes: Hemer, Duff, Stuhrenberg, and Sorensen.

Motion was regrettably made by Hemer and seconded by Duff to accept resignation of City Clerk. Four ayes.

Motion was made by Hemer and seconded by Stuhrenberg to name Assistant City clerk as "Interim" City Clerk pending job posting for 10 days. Four ayes.

Council decided to go ahead and stick with Edmunds System.

Unanimous consent was given to schedule Clean Up Days.

Water/Sewer Rates for FY26 were not discussed.

Motion was made by Hemer and seconded by Duff to hire Hannah Pontious as the Pool Manager/CPO for 2025.

Motion was made by Duff and seconded by Hemer to hire all 12 Lifeguard applicants for 2025.

Michael brought all quotes he received for fixing the 2nd St Water Main. Hemer's Plumbing and Heating quote was \$21,993.50, Empire Excavation quote was \$24,376.25, Schmidt Construction was \$21,910.00, Quality Drainage Solutions was \$19,500.00, King Construction was \$38,905.00. After some discussion, motion was made by Stuhrenberg and seconded by Sorensen to stay local and go with the lowest local bid making the bid winner Hemer's Plumbing and Heating. Three Ayes. Hemer was not included in on the vote.

There were no delinquent water bills to be disconnected.

County Law Enforcement Report was available.

Supt of Public Works Report: Michael talked about his meeting with the DNR about the chloride testing. He explained that the one bad test in 2017 was flagged by a computer and that it was the only bad test for years. DNR said they were able to just keep monitoring that instead of having to test it frequently. He mentioned we will have to have our water supply permit upped since our water usage has been more than normal with water leaks. He said the plow truck was looked at by Rockin H, and they

repaired what they can for now to see if it will hold up, but will possibly need to replace a gasket. They're keeping an eye on it for now.

Committee Reports: Duff reported that the Betterment Committee put a bid in for playground equipment in Wall Lake to go up at the pool. Vicki Beckman mentioned they did have highest bid, but Wall Lake council decided they wanted it to stay in their town and that will go to the new daycare in Wall Lake. Duff reported that the tennis courts are at a stand still for now until more decisions are made on that.

Citizens to be heard: Dale Godbersen mentioned having Service Master come in to clean carpets and clean up at City Hall. Mayor said we have not checked on that, but City Clerk will look into it. Vicki Beckman attended to ask if the city had any requirements on the height of the yield sign by the Monument Circle. Mayor was not aware of any requirements, but Vicki will look into DOT requirements. Vance Lundell represented the Odebolt Community Foundation and talked about possible upcoming things they would like to do. Vance mentioned they would like the city to tear down 203 S Main, they would purchase the other two vacant lots next to it and would like to build storefronts there. One possibly to be a thrift store. Duff asked a timeframe and Vance stated as early as summer, but could be longer since things could pop up. Mayor said he would get quotes on the building tear down.

Motion was made by Hemer and seconded by Duff at 8:41 PM to adjourn. Four ayes.

Mayor, Todd Bengford

Samantha Reese, City Clerk