

The Independence City Council met in regular session in the council chambers at 5:00 p.m., on Monday, May 9, 2022.

OPENING/ROLL CALL

Mayor Pro Tem Kurtz opened the meeting by calling the meeting to order with Council Members Callahan, Hanna, Prusator, O'Loughlin, and Jensen in attendance. Council Member Huston was excused.

This meeting was available for public attendance. The meeting was also broadcasted on the local access channel in addition to being hosted electronically on Microsoft Teams.

APPROVE THE AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Hanna, second by Council Member O'Loughlin to approve the agenda as presented for the regular meeting held May 9, 2022. Ayes: All. Absent: Huston.

Mayor Pro Tem Kurtz read a proclamation declaring May 20-21, 2022, as Poppy Days.

Mayor Pro Tem Kurtz read a proclamation declaring May 11 – 17, 2022, as National Police Memorial Week.

Mayor Pro Tem Kurtz read a proclamation honoring fallen Independence Officers Patrolman Pitt McClellan Doxsie and Officer Harold Humphrey Pearce.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Council Member O'Loughlin, second by Council Member Hanna to accept and approve the consent agenda that approves the following: 1) The minutes of the April 25, 2022, Regular Meeting. 2) The minutes of the May 4, 2022, Special Meeting. 3) Casey's General Store #3292 Class E Liquor License Renewal application that includes Class B Wine Permit, Class C Beer Permit, and Sunday Sales, June 15, 2022, thru June 14, 2023. Ayes: All. Absent: Huston.

FINANCIALS

Motion by Council Member Callahan, second by Council Member O'Loughlin to approve the following bills for payment. Ayes: All. Absent: Huston.

ALLEN OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH	Wellness-ST	\$ 172.00
ALTORFER INC	Equip Maint-W	\$ 1,812.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	Supplies-B	\$ 1,405.82
BEATTY, ROBERT	Phone Allowance	\$ 45.00
BLAD, CHRISTIAN	Reimburse-FD	\$ 493.17
BODENSTEINER IMPLEMENT	Repair-A	\$ 164.92
BOOMERANG CORP	Contract Serv-CH	\$ 23,056.31
BOWMAN, RICHARD	Reimburse-FD	\$ 62.86
BURNS, JEFFREY	Volunteer Fire-FD	\$ 507.68
CERAS, JOSHUA	Reimburse-FD	\$ 343.29
CITY LAUNDERING CO INC	Bldg Maint-PD,PR,CH,W,A	\$ 325.35
CLINTON, CASEY	Reimburse-FD	\$ 449.66
CLOSE, NATHAN	Reimburse-FD	\$ 285.27
CONSOLIDATED ENERGY CO	Fuel-All	\$ 6,920.58
CORBETT, LUCAS	Phone Allowance	\$ 45.00
CRAWFORD ENGINEERING & SU	Engineering-CH	\$ 15,944.50
CY & CHARLEY'S FIRESTONE	Services-PD,ST,W	\$ 433.36
DAVE SCHMITT CONSTRUCTION	Hwy 150 Recon-ST,W	\$ 218,968.24
DECKER, JASON	Reimburse-FD	\$ 159.56
DORSEY & WHITNEY LLP	Services-CH	\$ 3,000.00
ERICKSON-DALE, TANNER	Reimburse-FD	\$ 116.04
ESCH, BRAD	Phone Allowance	\$ 45.00
FENNER, GORDY	Reimburse-FD	\$ 145.05
FOLEY, TRAVIS	Phone Allowance	\$ 45.00
GALLS INC	Uniform-PD	\$ 85.75

GROUP SERVICES INC	\$afe-T Fund-All	\$ 9,070.30
GROVER, JEFF	Bldg-Maint-FD	\$ 3,198.80
HANNA, DEB	Reimburse-CH	\$ 24.49
HARDWARE HANK	Supplies-CH	\$ 26.19
HAWKINS, INC.	Chemicals-W	\$ 1,108.98
HAYWARD, BLAKE	Phone Allowance	\$ 45.00
HILL, ROBERT	Mileage-CH	\$ 330.66
HOLIDAY INN	Lodging-CH	\$ 112.00
HOOKEM, WES	Reimburse-FD	\$ 556.03
IIMC	Dues-CH	\$ 115.00
INDEPENDENCE LIGHT & POWE	Utilities-All	\$ 1,086.98
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	\$ 23,165.31
IRVINE, TRENT	Reimburse-FD	\$ 188.57
JACOBS, MORGAN	Reimburse-FD	\$ 222.41
JOHNSON PLBG HEATING & AI	Services-W	\$ 300.00
KEYSTONE LABORATORIES INC	Lab Analysis-W	\$ 117.60
KILER, ANGELA	Phone Allowance	\$ 45.00
KURTZ, JOHN	Phone Allowance-CH	\$ 64.28
LAU, BRIAN	Phone Allowance	\$ 45.00
LOVELESS, MIKE	Reimburse-FD	\$ 546.36
M&T BANK	ICMA-RC \$	\$ 1,665.65
MAYNER, MATTHEW	Volunteer Fire-FD	\$ 154.72
NAPA AUTO PARTS	Supplies-ST,FD,PR,W	\$ 535.91
NEWTON, DICK	Phone Allowance	\$ 45.00
NICOLAS, ROY	Reimburse-FD	\$ 304.61
OELWEIN PUBLISHING COMPAN	Publicat-CH,A	\$ 761.41
OFFICE TOWNE INC	Supplies-PD	\$ 526.12
P & N CORPORATION	Fuel Profits-A	\$ 431.12
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS	\$ 73,158.42
PRICE, TRAVIS	Reimburse-FD	\$ 352.96
QUAD COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS	Training-FD	\$ 150.00
RECK, BRENT	Phone Allowance	\$ 45.00
RESTORATION SERVICES INC	Services-CH	\$ 14,250.00
RJS WELDING LLC	Services-ST	\$ 2,200.00
RODER, ALBERT W.	Phone Allowance	\$ 132.48
ROUNDS, GABE	Reimburse-FD	\$ 387.80
SHIVE HATTERY	Water Tower Insp-W	\$ 497.70
SIMMONS, JENNIFER	Reimburse-FD	\$ 241.75
SIMMONS, TAYLOR	Reimburse-FD	\$ 212.74
SPEER FINANCIAL INC	Services-CH	\$ 2,250.00
STRAND ASSOCIATES	SERVICES-W	\$ 650.00
T & W GRINDING & COMPOST	Services-ST	\$ 4,000.00
TASC	FLEX MEDICAL	\$ 1,188.19
TESTAMERICA LABORATORIES	Lab Analysis-W	\$ 2,374.58
TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	Supplies-FD	\$ 725.68
US CELLULAR-FIRE DEPT	Cell Phone-FD	\$ 15.00
USA BLUE BOOK	Supplies-W	\$ 644.78
VERIZON WIRELESS	Utility-CH,F,PR	\$ 86.80
WALMART COMMUNITY	Supplies-PR,FD,CH,W,B	\$ 334.71
WASTE MANAGEMENT	Garbage-ALL	\$ 45,536.69
WINTHROP NEWS, THE	Publicat-A,CH	\$ 791.95
WOLF, JACOB	Reimburse-FD	\$ 459.33
WULFEKUHLE, JORDON	Reimburse-FD	\$ 227.25
ZIMMER & FRANCESCON INC	Equip Repair-W	\$ 2,241.22
ZIMMERLY, MIKE	Reimburse-FD	\$ 72.53

CLAIMS TOTAL \$473,052.47; General Fund \$131,742.13; Library \$9,205.53; Streets Dept-Road Use \$15,525.68; Economic Development \$2,250.00; Cap Project-Visioning Project \$26,743.34; Cap Project-Airport \$54.13; Cap Outlay Savings/LOST \$18,050.98; Cap Project Highway 150 \$234,225.74; Water Fund \$5,969.23; Sewer Utility Fund \$20,833.66; Self Insurance \$7,267.46; Self Insurance-Enterprise \$1,184.62.

REVENUES MONTH TO DATE TOTAL \$432,890.53; General Fund \$154,496.26; Employee Benefits \$1,527.48; Economic Development \$69,525.39; Cap Outlay Savings/LOST \$115,543.76; Water Fund \$14,326.97; Sewer Utility \$66,801.50; Storm Water \$2,217.09; Self Insurance \$7,267.46; Self Insurance-Enterprise \$1,184.62.

The April 2022 bank reconciliation and the revenues and expenses by department to date were available for council review and discussion.

HEARINGS & ORDINANCES

Council Member Hanna with a motion to set a public hearing for May 23, 2022, at 5:00 p.m., to amend Code Section 55.17 Number of Animals Limited, second by Council Member Callahan. Ayes: All. Absent: Huston.

Council Member Callahan with a motion to set a public hearing for June 13, 2022, at 5:00 p.m., for the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Amendment #2, second by Council Member Hanna. Ayes: All. Absent: Huston.

Council Member O'Loughlin with a motion to approve the second reading of the amendment to Code Section 63.04 Special Speed Zones, second by Council Member Jensen. The roll being called the following Council Members voted: Ayes: Hanna, Kurtz, Prusator, O'Loughlin, Jensen, and Callahan. Absent: Huston.

RESOLUTIONS

Council Member Callahan with a motion to approve a resolution that amends the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget, CIP, and Transfers, second by Council Member Hanna. The roll being called the following Council Members voted: Ayes: Kurtz, Prusator, O'Loughlin, Jensen, Callahan, and Hanna. Absent: Huston.

Resolution adopted and upon approval by Mayor assigned No. 2022-82 in the Official Book of Resolutions.

Council Member O'Loughlin with a motion to approve a resolution that appoints J. Bass to serve as a member on the Independence Library Board of Directors, second by Council Member Hanna. The roll being called the following Council Members voted: Ayes: Prusator, O'Loughlin, Jensen, Callahan, Hanna, and Kurtz. Absent: Huston.

Resolution adopted and upon approval by Mayor assigned No. 2022-83 in the Official Book of Resolutions.

Council Member Jensen with a motion to approve a resolution that appoints N. Dodge to serve as a member on the Independence Library Board of Directors, second by Council Member Hanna. The roll being called the following Council Members voted: Ayes: O'Loughlin, Jensen, Callahan, Hanna, Kurtz, and Prusator. Absent: Huston.

Resolution adopted and upon approval by Mayor assigned No. 2022-84 in the Official Book of Resolutions.

Council Member O'Loughlin with a motion to approve a resolution that accepts the work covering the 6th Avenue SW Trail Project, second by Council Member Callahan. The roll being called the following Council Members voted: Ayes: Jensen, Callahan, Hanna, Kurtz, Prusator, and O'Loughlin. Absent: Huston.

Resolution adopted and upon approval by Mayor assigned No. 2022-85 in the Official Book of Resolutions.

Council Member Callahan with a motion to approve a resolution that awards the contract for the Airport Taxiway/Apron Expansion Project to Wicks Construction in the amount of \$331,850.75, second by Council Member O'Loughlin. The roll being called the following Council Members voted: Ayes: Callahan, Hanna, Kurtz, Prusator, O'Loughlin, and Jensen. Absent: Huston.

Resolution adopted and upon approval by Mayor assigned No. 2022-86 in the Official Book of Resolutions.

OTHER BUSINESS

Council Member O'Loughlin with a motion to fill the Mayor council seat vacancy by special election, second by Council Member Hanna. The roll being called the following Council Members voted: Ayes: Hanna, Kurtz, Prusator, O'Loughlin, Jensen, and Callahan. Absent: Huston.

Council Member Callahan with a motion to approve the write-off's submitted by Independence Light & Power, second by Council Member O'Loughlin. The roll being called the following Council Members voted: Ayes: Kurtz,

Prusator, O'Loughlin, Jensen, Callahan, and Hanna. Absent: Huston.

Council Member Callahan with a motion to approve the purchase of a Bomag BW900 Roller and accessories in place of the salt sander in the Fiscal Year 2022 CIP, second by Council Member O'Loughlin. The roll being called the following Council Members voted: Ayes: Prusator, O'Loughlin, Jensen, Callahan, Hanna, and Kurtz. Absent: Huston.

Council Member Hanna with a motion to extend the completion date to May 1, 2022, for the 6th Avenue SW Trail Project, second by Council Member O'Loughlin. The roll being called the following Council Members voted: Ayes: O'Loughlin, Jensen, Callahan, Hanna, Kurtz, and Prusator. Absent: Huston.

Brian Crawford, Crawford Engineering, spoke on the Highway 150 Reconstruction Phase 2 Project and the Liberty Trail South Extension Project.

Council Members, City Manager Roder, and City Clerk/Treasurer Lampe held a discussion on continuing to broadcast the Committee of the Whole Meetings. City Manager Roder shared that this will be brought to a future meeting for action to be taken.

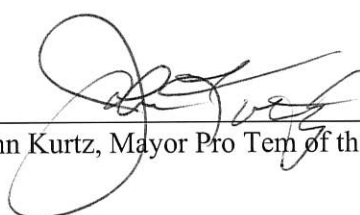
REPORTS

The following comments were heard from Council and Staff: Hanna- Received calls this week regarding junk in yards. Had a conversation with Todd about possible ordinance changes and assessing fees to property owners for the City removing the items. City Attorney- Will talk with Todd regarding steps to take in revising City Code to take care of nuisance properties. Kurtz- Urged anyone with interest in city government to take out candidate papers for the mayor vacancy when they are available. City Clerk- Reminded Council to please bring in their code books if they haven't already so amendments may be put in. City Manager- Will work with the Buchanan County Auditor's office regarding the timeline for the special election for the Mayor vacancy. Passed out information on the National League of Cities conference later this year for any council members that may be interested in attending.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Council Member Jensen, second by Council Member O'Loughlin to adjourn. Ayes: All. Absent: Huston.

Whereupon Mayor Pro Tem Kurtz declared the meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m.


John Kurtz, Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Independence, Iowa

ATTEST:



Susi Lampe, IaCMC, IaCFO, City Clerk/Treasurer of the City of Independence, Iowa