Rowan City Council Meeting November 4, 2024

Mayor Lennea Groom opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Council present- Dale Hollman, Mark Bruns, Heather Baumgartner, and Virgil Park.

Minutes of October meeting were approved with a motion by Hollman, 2nd by Park. Approved unanimously.

Financials/Vouchers – Motion by Bruns to approve, 2nd by Hollman. Approved unanimously.

November Expenditures – AgSource Labs (water testing) \$299.00; Alliant Energy (electric) \$1,059.32; Belmond Independent (snow bids) \$96.00; Belmond Laundry (rugs) \$40.00; Bruns Machine & Welding (Fire truck/Mower service) \$18.75; Mark Bruns (Fire bldg. repair) \$123.21; Central Waste Solutions (sewer repairs/pumps) \$8,295.00; Iowa Rural Water (dues) \$305.00; IPERS (pensions) \$297.03; Rowan Library (LOST/apportion) \$2,064.61; S&H Environmental (water super) \$850.00; Sewer (transfer) \$4,310.98; T&S Sanitation (dumpster) \$20.00; USDA (loan) \$3,000.00; Virgil Park (mower filter) \$35.59; VISA (postage) \$19.36; WMTel (phone) \$41.04; Aimee Frohling (City Clerk) \$976.93; David Eriksen (water assist) \$344.24; Lennea Groom (Mayor) \$92.26; Terri Curtis (Janitor) \$85.85.

October Receipts – Property Taxes \$11,874.57; LOST \$1,693.84; Rents/Interest \$1,239.47; Road Use Tax \$1,153.27; Utilities \$9.081.89.

Public Input – Ashley Bosch encourages everyone to vote tomorrow, will come to our meetings quarterly. Maintenance – Serviced the lawn mower.

City Attorney – Wasn't able to make it due to illness, however the Council reviewed his letter and resume that was sent previously. Motion by Hollman to go ahead and appoint Jason Palmer as the City Attorney, 2^{nd} by Park. Approved unanimously.

Ordinance Amendment 24-04 Water Rates – Motion by Hollman to approve, 2nd by Bruns. Approved unanimously. Motion by Hollman to set the Public Hearing for December 2nd at 7:00 PM, 2nd by Bruns. Approved. Would like an explanation of upcoming expenses and requirements to be posted along with the Amendment.

Water Meters – The last 32 meters are ready for delivery, Council would like to hold off until Spring if they will honor the price that long.

Sewer System – Clerk will follow up with Forrest Aldrich regarding the system at 723 Duffy, Council would like a final decision to be made by November 10th, it will require some hand digging and need to get it covered back up before it freezes. All pumps in town were inspected and all but one were clogged with debris, possibly from holes where wires come in that need to be sealed up or from loosely fit piping.

Snow removal – one bid received from Mountain Movers, same pricing as last year. Motion by Hollman to accept the bid, 2^{nd} by Bruns. Approved.

Soup Supper – Clerk will get sign up list sent out to Council and Library Board members.

Storm Drains/Tiles – would like to get the tile jetted out that runs West on the Northwest side of town, will ask farmland owner for permission to look for outlet on property and/or dig if necessary.

Nuisance Abatement – Have had several racoons in town in the last week with distemper. Will ask Danny about doing more trapping.

Building permits – None.

Bruns moves to adjourn, 2nd by Hollman. Adjourned.

Next regular meeting of the council will be December 2, 2024 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Aimee J Frohling - City Clerk