

Minutes City of Mechanicsville  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
June 10, 2024

The Mechanicsville City Council met in regular session on Monday, June 10, 2024 at 102 N John Street, Mechanicsville. Mayor Andrew Oberbreckling called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present for roll call were Randy Brown, Doug Weber, Brian Steele, and Tracy Miller. Amy Bishop was absent. Others present included Daniel Pike, Josh Miller, Lonni Koch, Meredith Dehmer, Dan Paidar, Alex Paidar, Dan Baker, Matt Shields, Donna Paup, Pat Albaugh, Carla Barnhart, Lacey Sauer, Richard Woods, and Jean Miller.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Randy Brown motioned, Doug Weber seconded to approve the consent agenda including the agenda, the minutes from 5/13/24; the finance reports, and claims. Roll call vote: Ayes: Brown, Weber, Steele, and Miller. Nays: None. Bishop absent. Motion carried.

The following claims were approved:

STATE OF IOWA	WET AND SALES TAX	\$681.09
IRS	PAYROLL	\$2,828.53
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ACE HARDWARE	MINOR EQUIPMENT	\$47.97
AIRGAS NORTH CENTRAL	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$103.02
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC/GAS EXPENSE	\$6,618.12
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$453.58
BADGER METER	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$42.28
BAKER & TAYLOR	LIBRARY MATERIALS	\$651.31
BANKERS BANK	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$418.65
BANYON DATA SYSTEMS INC	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$2,075.00
CAR QUEST AUTO PARTS	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$139.59
CASEYS GENERAL STORE	VEHICLE OPERATIONS	\$1,166.14
CEDAR COUNTY SOLID WASTE	PAYMENTS TO OTHER AGENCIES	\$1,234.00
CENTRAL TANK COATINGS INC	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$1,800.00
CHALLIS ENTERPRISES	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$300.00
CHASE CARD SERVICES	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$716.10
COPPESS, LINDA	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$30.00
CVIKOTA	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$2,057.47
DANIEL PIKE	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$30.00
Dans Overhead Doors	BLDG MAINT & REPAIR	\$317.90
DANS TIRES & MORE	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$224.51
DELTA DENTAL	GROUP INSURANCE	\$354.18
FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE	GROUP INSURANCE	\$120.02
GAGE, MAUREEN	REFUND DEPOSIT	\$50.00
HIGHWAY 30 COALITION	ASSOCIATION DUES	\$150.00
IOWA ONE CALL	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$28.80
JOHN DEER FINANCIAL	MINOR EQUIPMENT	\$86.98
KELLY TREE FARM	GROUNDS MAINTENANCE & REPAIR	\$150.00
KOCHS SERVICE & SUPPLY LLC	BLDG MAINT & REPAIR	\$92.73
MECHANICSVILLE TELEPHONE CO	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$452.47
OVESON REFUSE & RECYCLING LLC	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$3,150.00

PAL MOWING SYSTEM	OTHER CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$2,050.00
PDT SERVICES	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$613.53
QUILL	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$177.26
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY LLC	OPERATIONAL EQUIP REPAIR	\$861.46
SCOTT, RICKY	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$30.00
SHIELD TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION	SUBSCRIPTION & ED MATERIAL	\$500.00
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$1,488.50
SUMMIT COMPANIES	BLDG MAINT & REPAIR	\$217.00
THOMPSON TRUCK & TRAILER INC	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$1,819.88
TIPTON CONSERVATIVE & ADVERTIS	PRINTING & PUBLISHING EXP	\$218.46
US CELLULAR	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$106.55
WEBER, TIMOTHY	REFUND DEPOSIT	\$50.00
WELLMARK BC BS	GROUP INSURANCE	\$14,876.78
WENDLING QUARRIES INC	STREET MAINT EXP	\$254.65
WILD TIMES EXOTICS	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$500.00
PAYROLL	WAGES	\$18,898.70

#### Total Receipts and Disbursements for month of May by fund

Fund	Receipts	Disbursements
General	46,211.47	83,067.20
Road Use Tax	11,615.84	36,449.73
Employee Benefit	7,381.10	11,435.82
Local Opt Sales Tax	12,011.03	
Library Trust Fund	54.78	
Ambulance Trust Fund	18,057.85	8,395.85
Fire Trust	200.00	
Debt Service	1,599.06	61,229.65
Perpetual Care	100.00	
Water Utility	7,586.60	14,272.50
Sewer Utility	28,664.73	11,421.13
Sewer Sinking Fund		135,975.00
Solid Waste	11,477.90	12,257.18
Storm Water Utility	1,215.30	6.54
Water Deposit	50.00	110.61

**Receive visitors/public comment:** Richard Woods addressed the council regarding property tax assessment and that a person can protest and can win.

#### REPORTS:

**Ambulance Report:** Lonni Koch reported 25 calls for May; 134 calls ytd attend meeting in Tipton with MCM consultants.

**Fire Report:** Assistant Fire Chief Matt Shields reported 14 calls, 53 ytd; 161 is out of service. Fireworks is coming up on July 4.

**Police Report:** Police Chief Rick Scott reported 50 Calls for service, 2 thefts, 1 burglary, 10 traffic stops; 2 citations; 8 warnings, 4 investigations worked, 6 speak with officer; 5 public assists; 4 animal calls; 7 assist other agencies, 1 assault, 1 domestic, 1 arrests. The property at 110 N John Street is sold with closing happening later this month; Court dates for Struck and Bibas are also scheduled for later this month for failure to abate nuisances.

**Public Works Report:** Daniel Pike reported mowing and weed whipping, hydrants flushed, tower was cleaned; garbage truck is in the shop; dump trailer wheel bearings needed to be replaced.

**Administration Report:** Coppess reported completing the annual Sam.gov registration to renew opportunities for federal grants and that the Audit was released by the state.

**Discussion and possible action on:**

**Salary resolution 2024-5 for part time public works:** Randy Brown motioned, Doug Weber seconded to approve the resolution setting the wage at \$15.00 per hour for Alex Paidar, with a review in 90 days. Ayes: Miller, Weber, Brown, Steele. Nays: None Absent: Bishop. Resolution adopted.

**Keep Iowa Beautiful Committee meeting June 11 at 4:30:**

Council reviewed results from survey indicating that the items with the most yes results were adding sidewalks to the north and south side of the park; have a music in the park night and invite food trucks to the park once a month, add heating and air conditioning to the existing park shelter and add a splash pad. The issue ranking as the highest priority was lack of community activities and the amount of “junk” nuisance problems. June 28 was set as a clean up the park day and volunteers are encouraged to bring rakes, saws, brooms, pruners, and gloves to weed, blowers to sweep and brushes to paint at the park. Consideration of a request to reinstate the park board was made, however, encouraged everyone to become a part of the Keep Iowa Beautiful Committee at this time.

**Retaining wall, sidewalk, rock for alley and to replace the wood around the shed:** Pictures of the area out back of city hall were reviewed. Randy Brown motioned, Tracy Miller seconded to approve replacing the wood with cement blocks when doing the retaining wall and other clean up out back. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Fire Department request to install a container for storage at the lagoon site:** Volunteers want to purchase a 40 foot storage container for the fireworks to replace the trailer that is currently out back. Randy Brown motioned, Doug Weber seconded to approve the volunteers funding the purchase and permission to place on the south side of the south fence at lagoon site. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Proposal for installing clutch in fire truck 161:** Doug Weber motioned, Randy Brown seconded to approve the proposal as prepared by Dan’s Tires. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Proposal for installing catch basin:** Randy Brown motioned, Tracy Miller seconded to approve the proposal from Luke Oberbreckling to replace the catch basin on S Monroe St for \$4200. The other quote was \$7200. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Proposal from TextMyGov:** Council reviewed and would like to see quotes from other companies.

**Open Sealed bids for compressor:** Randy Brown motioned, Doug Weber seconded to accept the proposal for \$3500. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2024-6 approve minor plat waiving subdivision within 1 mile of the corporate limits of the city:** Randy Brown motioned, Tracy Miller seconded to approve the resolution. Ayes: Miller, Weber, Brown, and Steele. Nays: None. Absent: Bishop.

**Correspondence:** None.

**Set next meeting date:** July 8, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

**Mayor's Comments:** None.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, council member Doug Weber motioned, Brian Steele seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m. Ayes all. Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

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Linda K. Coppess, MMC

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Andrew Oberbreckling, Mayor