

Council Chambers, City Hall, January 30, 2023, at 6:00 P.M.

West Union City Council met January 30, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. in Council Chambers with Mayor Cameron Granger presiding. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance	Present: Croal, McElree, Miller, Smith, and Gumm-by phone. Absent – None
Approval of the Agenda	Motion was made by Croal, seconded by Smith, to approve the agenda as presented. All Aye. Carried.
Approval of Minutes	Motion was made by Croal, seconded by Smith, to approve the January 16th, 2023 minutes as presented. Miller abstained; Rest All Aye. Carried.
Approve Fire Dept. Roster and 2023 Officers	West Union Fire Department held their annual election on December 15, 2022. Roster has 25 firemen, and 2023 officers elected are: Rory Starks, Chief, LeRoy Soppe, Assistant, Scott Johansen, 2 nd Assistant, Dan Winter, Captain, Mike Lauer, Lieutenant, Dan Woods, 2 nd Lieutenant, Ryan Wagner, Secretary/Treasurer, and Mark Baumler, Safety Officer. Motion to approve was made by Smith, seconded by McElree. Gumm abstained; Rest All Aye. Carried.
Approve December 2022 Financials	Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Croal, to approve the December, 2022 Financials as presented. All Aye. Carried.
Approve January 2023 Expenditures	Motion was made by Croal, seconded by Miller, to approve January Expenditures Totaling \$270,441.19. All Aye. Carried.

CLAIMS LIST:

Aflac – Insurance	\$123.12
All Stop- vehicle fuel	711.97
Allamakee-Clayton Econ Dev-Loans	3,602.90
Allamakee-Clayton Elec – Electric	3,631.31
Alliant Energy-Electric Bill	5,982.63
Amazon –Supplies	7.69
Amie Johansen- Dental	98.00
Andy Larson – Dental	1,500.00
Baker & Taylor – Books	128.74
Black Hawk County Landfill – Landfill	68.45
Black Hawk Waste- Garbage	234.00
BP Express- Fuel	101.20
CenturyLink – Phones	293.20
City Laundering Co- shop towels, uniforms, mats	492.78
City of West Union-Camera	100.00
Clermont Impl. – Mower	14,200.00
Dale Bilden- City Hall Janitorial	125.00
Don’s Truck Sales – Repair	229.24
Doug Harris – Cell Phone	150.00
EFTPS-Payroll Taxes	15,146.01
Engineered Equip Solution – Supplies	836.75
Eurofins - Testing	605.90
Fayette Co Auditor- Geo Reading	227.50
Fayette Co Recorder- Recording Fees	44.00
Fayette County Recycling- Recycling Fees	7,638.08
Fayette County Union – Publications	254.31
FCSWM – Landfill Fees	20,747.94
Galls- Supplies	88.64
Geothermal Eco Options – Connections	975.50
Gordon Flesch Company- Copier	107.41
Hawkeye Communication – Alarms	141.00
Hawkeye Interconnect- Fiber Optic Internet	174.46
Hawkins, INC- Chlorine Cylinders	1,441.43
IA Dept of Revenue – Sales Tax	1,701.53
Ingram – Books	82.14
International Assoc of Chiefs – Dues	190.00
IA Dept of Public Safety – Warrants	300.00
Iowa Insurance – Cemetery Report	131.00
Iowa One Call- Locates	73.90
IPERS	16,285.90
Jansen Prod – Web Host	224.00

Jill Clark- Dental/Vision	1,000.00
John Deere Credit – Supplies	533.16
Kent Halverson – Airport Mgr	635.00
KSB Solar – Solar Fees	774.77
LeRoy Soppe – Chief Qtrly Pay	250.00
Lincoln Investments- 457b Deferred	4,180.00
Loomis Plumbing & Heating- Repairs	100.00
Marco- Konica Copier Contract	162.92
Mick Gage Plumbing & Heat- Restroom Rental	85.00
Napa Auto Parts- Parts & Supplies	86.13
North Central Labs – BOD Seed	308.19
Northern Balance Scale – Calibration	201.00
Northway Corp – Well Repair	48,373.48
Petty Cash – Library Postage	74.50
RNR Solar – Solar	878.63
Sims TV & Electronics- Shipping	91.11
Skyline Construction – Jefferson St.	3,686.44
Spahn & Rose – Supplies	132.60
Storey Kenworthy – Supplies	134.67
T&W Grinding – Brush Pile	4,387.50
Take A Shot – Supplies	40.00
Tom Luhman- Fire Compensation	300.00
Treasurer State of Iowa- State Taxes	3,697.00
UERPC – 2023 Match	5,000.00
UNUM – Life & Disab.	515.12
US Cell – Phones	689.78
U.S. Postmaster- Water bills postage	438.68
USA BlueBook – Supplies	1,939.62
Util Equip Co – Clamps	432.90
Verizon Wireless- Phones	247.09
Visa – Hotel, Filters, SIP	1,261.58
Washington National Insurance- Insurance	125.85
Wellmark – 2 months Insurance	42,509.28
WU Chamber – Script	150.00
WU District Energy – Geo Tonnage	336.00
West Union Motor Supply- Supplies	31.38
Wex Bank- Fuel	1,904.04
Wilbur Ford Sales- Repairs	313.92
Total Payroll	<u>45,153.81</u>
Total	\$ 270,441.19

Budget Review	Council discussed numbers for FY23-24 budget, expressing concerns with the SSB1056 bill possibly rolling back residential from the calculated valuations at 56.49% to 54.65% yet for this budget. Losses are projected in General, Employee Benefits, and Sewer. Council directed Johansen to see what tax rate does with the rollback and adjusting benefits numbers.
Set Hiring Committee For Deputy Clerk	McElree, Granger, Trey Kuhens, and Johansen will interview February 7 th for the Deputy City Clerk opening.
Extend Term on Housing Committee For Steve Roach	Motion was made by Smith, seconded by Croal to approve extending Steve Roach's term as our representative on the Regional Housing Board to 2025. All Aye. Carried.
Increase Dale Bilden's Janitorial Fees at City Hall	Dale Bilden submitted a letter requesting an increase for the janitorial services at City Hall from \$125 to \$150 per month. Motion to approve was made by Smith, seconded by Croal. All Aye. Carried.
Change Money Market Interest to go to Each Account	As the council had previously requested, Johansen changed the interest on the Money Market from going to the General Fund, to disbursing by % to each fund effective back to the 10/1/2022 date. The spreadsheets showing the work, and December Bank balance showing all is in balance was attached. Discussed continuing to look for best rates and move money to receive the best interest. Motion to approve was made by Gumm, seconded by Miller. All Aye. Carried.
Next Council Meeting	Next regular council meeting will be February 6, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Adjourn

With no further business to bring before the Council, a motion was made by Smith, seconded by Miller, to adjourn. All Aye. Carried.
Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Cameron Granger, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Amie Johansen, City Administrator