

September Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the East Peru City Council was held on September 11, 2023 in the Community Building. Council members Darlene Miller, David Vasey, and Roman Avila were present. Jason Harper and Rick Kimmel were absent. Mayor Chris Jordan called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

August Meeting Minutes for the month were read and approved by Darlene Miller and 2nd by Roman Avila. All in Favor.

Motion to pay the bills for the month of August was made by David Vasey and 2nd by Roman Avila. All in Favor.

Alliant Energy - Street Lights			\$462.65
Total Bills paid from Road Use			\$462.65
Warren Water District			\$64.74
IPERS			\$39.33
T.R.M. Disposal LLC			\$988.00
Darlene Miller - Council Pay			\$23.08
Todd Porter - Fire Chief			\$23.09
Chris Jordan - Mayor			\$92.35
Emily Kimzey- Clerk			\$215.15
David Vasey - Council Pay			\$23.08
Office of Auditor - 2021 fee			\$200.00
Roman Avila - Council Pay			\$23.08
Rick Kimmel - Council Pay			\$23.09
Alliant Energy - Community Building			\$68.53
Rachel Avila, Website Maint.			\$25.00
Isaac Dixon - Mow			\$640.00
Total Bills paid from General Fund			\$2,448.52
Grand Total Receipts			\$2,911.17

Receipts for the month of August were as follows:

State Warrant (R.U.T.)			\$405.05
State of IA - Beer License			\$100.00
Farmer's & Merchants (interest on R.U.T.)			\$3.11
Total in Road Use Tax Receipts			\$508.16
State Warrant (1% Local option sales tax)			\$1,281.97
Farmer's & Merchants (interest on checking)			\$13.21
Interest from CD			\$30.00
Warren Water - Garbage Collection			\$1,896.00
ARPA NEU Funding			\$9,793.75
Annette Dillinger - Community Bldg Rent			\$25.00

Total in General Fund Receipts			\$13,039.93
Grand Total Receipts			\$13,548.09

The Financial Report was given and approved by Roman Avila and 2nd by David Vasey. All in favor. Balances as of August 31, 2023 were as follows:

General Fund			\$177,892.61
Road Use Taxes			\$2,918.37
CD			\$10,000.00
Total			\$190,810.98

Old Business:

Review of our Flood Plain Management Ordinance, the mayor reviewed with a county supervisor, NCRS office and county zoning associate. They recommended the mayor contact a representative at the DNR whom are requesting the updates to the ordinance to go over questions. The mayor will then move forward with a draft ordinance for the council members to review, then submit for review to the DNR. Then once all parties reviewed will begin reading for approval of the updated ordinance.

Bridge/Road Updates: the county engineer is hoping to have the bridge/road on Peru Rd open to the public the week of 9/25/23. However, final signage, road paintings, seeding and grading may not be 100% complete.

Elections for city officials will be 11/7/23 this year. Mayor and council member submissions can be submitted to the county auditor between 8/28 - 9/21.

The clerk has begun advertisements in the newspapers, shopper - Madisonian to find a contractor for the 2023-24 Snow Removal season.

New Business:

The clerk presented the Street Finance Report for fiscal year 2023. Resolution #216

1st motion: Roman Avila 2nd motion: Darlene Miller All in favor.

New state and local fiscal recovery funds interim final rule released for use of funds by end of 2024 to include: Emergency relief from natural disasters, surface transportation projects, and Title I projects.

It was brought to the council and mayor's attention that up on Stewart on the east side of the hill/road there are trees about 4 feet above the power lines. Mayor, Chris, advised she would reach out to the city's Alliant Energy contact requesting someone come out to trim the trees around the power lines.

Citizens, Samantha and Demarcus present at the meeting to express their interest in obtaining the old fire/warning siren sitting behind the community building. Demarcus is and belongs to a siren enthusiast group. Council discussed talking with a lawyer about a liability waiver if the city wanted to sell/donate the siren. Council and mayor also discussed they had already approved a motion for the siren to be sold for scrap. Mayor to discuss with Dio, the emergency management director to determine if we can even sell/donate the old siren to anyone.

Fire Department Update:

Update on Madison County Sheriff's office investigation of the East Peru fire department.....the sheriff will provide a written report to the mayor/council/city once review is complete. Warren Water District has been notified by the sheriff's office about the misuse of the water.

Motion to adjourn was made by Roman Avila and a 2nd by David Vasey. All were in favor.

Mayor

City Clerk

