

# HUBBARD COUNCIL MINUTES

October 9, 2023 - 6:00 P.M.

The Hubbard City Council met in regular session in Council Chambers with Mayor Marshall Simmerman presiding and the following Council members present: Randy Smuck, Tracy Below, Chad Ball, & Scott Cross. Absent: Wes Kix.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**-Motion by Smuck, seconded by Ball to approve the agenda. AMVA. (All members voted aye).

**CONSENT AGENDA**-Motion by Smuck, seconded by Cross the following items on the Consent Agenda be approved: Minutes of the September 11th regular meeting, bills as presented, & Clerk's Financial Report. AMVA.

**RESOLUTION #774** – *Adopt Hardin County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update*. Motion by Smuck, seconded by Below to approve hazard mitigation plan. Roll: Ayes – Smuck, Ball, Below, Cross. Absent: Kix

**ORDINANCE #406** - *An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Hubbard, Iowa by Amending Provisions Pertaining to Solid Waste General Provisions*. Motion by Ball, seconded by Smuck to approve the first reading of the ordinance. Roll: Ayes – Smuck, Ball, Below, Cross. Absent: Kix. Motion by Ball, seconded by Smuck to waive second and third readings and approve Ordinance #406. Roll: Ayes – Smuck, Ball, Below, Cross. Absent: Kix

**ORDINANCE #407** - *An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Hubbard, Iowa by Amending Provisions Pertaining to Solid Waste Collection*. Motion by Smuck, seconded by Cross to approve the first reading of the ordinance. Roll: Ayes – Smuck, Ball, Below, Cross. Absent: Kix. Motion by Ball, seconded by Below to waive second and third readings and approve Ordinance #407. Roll: Ayes – Smuck, Ball, Below, Cross. Absent: Kix

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**- No report for Fire, Hardin County Emergency Management, Ambulance, Park, or Mayor. HCSWC is reviewing the employee handbook and hiring CDL drivers. Recycling prices are steady. Clerk is attending continuing education training on October 13, 19 & 20, city hall will be closed.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**- Public Works Superintendent, Bob Imsland reported issues with the flow meter are almost resolved. Pool has been drained and winterization will be completed next week. Chad reported for the Rental Inspection Code committee. Committee reviewed multiple code examples from other cities and recommended that adopting a code be tabled due to recent legal action against a city in Iowa.

**NEW BUSINESS**- Danko representative, Rex Crosser updated Council on the status of the new ambulance. Completion date has been pushed out to February/March 2024 due to chassis issues and labor shortage. Motion by Smuck, seconded by Ball to approve Dollar General's Iowa Retail Permit Application for Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor. Roll: Ayes – Smuck, Ball, Below, Cross. Absent: Kix. Motion by Ball, seconded by Smuck to approve Dollar General's Liquor License. Roll: Ayes: Smuck, Ball, Below, Cross. Absent: Kix. Motion by Ball, seconded by Below to approve Hubbard Chamber's request to plant a tree on property next to library. AMVA. Council discussed adding additional parking to the west side of Studio G and adding crosswalk lines across Maple Street from Studio G to Hometown Grocery to reduce parking congestion and add a visual aid for pedestrian's crossing the street. Hardin County Sheriff's office has been contacted to bring in a mobile speed radar trailer to help slow down traffic. Terry and Char Krogh on behalf of Salem Church discussed the possibility of gifting the church building to the city to use as a community center. No decision made as more information is needed. Michael Bond with Mid Iowa Consulting, LLC presented information to Council on building and home inspections. City Attorney, Seth Schroeder updated Council on dilapidated properties. Kathy Ziebell addressed Council with ongoing concerns with junk, junk vehicles, health safety, and ability to enforce nuisances.

**ADJOURNMENT**-Motion by Smuck, seconded by Ball that the meeting be adjourned at 7:53 P.M. AMVA.

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Mayor

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City Clerk