

Council Meeting

The Graettinger City Council met in a regular session on Monday, February 10, 2025, at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall with Mayor Armstrong presiding. Currans completed the roll call: Present were council members Hoffman, Dyhrkopp, Masters, and T. Anderson, as well as employees Currans and Petersen. Absent: Alderson. No visitors.

Motion by Dyhrkopp, seconded by T. Anderson to approve consent agenda. 1. Motion to approve the agenda. 2. Motion to approve minutes. 3. Motion to approve bills. 4. Motion to approve financial statement. 5. The motion to approve Liquor and Sunday Liquor Licenses for Hillcrest Golf and Country Club is pending proper paperwork. All ayes carried.

Petersen reviewed the Public Awareness plan and had the council complete their annual questionnaire. Emergency Plan for the City of Graettinger was reviewed. Peterson delivered a report to the council regarding the current status of the wells, Well 7 and Well 8 were evaluated; the probe for Well 8 was replaced, and Well 7 was tested satisfactorily. Public awareness mailings are sent to residents in the spring and fall.

Armstrong introduced Ordinance no. 232, "An Ordinance amending the code of ordinances of the city of Graettinger, Iowa, by amending special 35 MPH and 50 MPH Speed Zones", Then the ordinance was read and discussed. Motion by T. Anderson, seconded by Dyhrkopp to approve the first reading of said ordinance. Aye-4. Motion carried. Motion by Hoffman, seconded by T. Anderson, to waive the rule requiring said ordinance be read at three separate meetings and move that it be adopted. Ayes-4. Motion carried.

The council reviewed pictures of property nuisances. The City of Graettinger has completed two additional city cleanups with the involvement of Harris Sanitation and the local police agency. Additional nuisance abatement letters will be sent to Graettinger residents regarding complaints. The City of Graettinger acknowledges the efforts of residents who have addressed nuisances and aims to maintain the city's appearance.

Motion by Dyhrkopp, seconded by T. Anderson to set a public hearing for the Proposed Property tax meeting for budget for fiscal 2025-26 for Wednesday, March 26, 2025, at city hall at 6:00 P.M. All thanks. Carried.

The City of Graettinger renewed two CDs, the city was given a rate of 2.25 instead of 3.14 for renewal, auto renewal will be yearly in January.

Masters introduced resolution no. 9-2025, "A resolution authorizing to certify an assessment against taxable property located at 504 E Kent St. Graettinger IA." and moved that it be adopted. Seconded by Hoffman. Ayes-4. Resolution adopted.

Hoffman introduced resolution no. 10-2025, "A resolution authorizing to certify an assessment against taxable property located at 402 N Van Gordon Ave Graettinger IA." and moved that it be adopted. Seconded by Dyhrkopp Ayes-4. Resolution adopted.

City Clerk Currans reviewed ideas for the Palo Alto County Gaming Grant's per capita funds. Priorities include new playground equipment, Citizen Park improvements, an ADA-accessible concrete pad at the Senior Center, alleyway upgrades, well improvements, city camera enhancements, and street work.

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Amazon	Story walk	\$488.08	PEFA	Gas	\$17,874.06
Arnold Motor Supply	Supplies	\$186.50	RVTC Loan	Loan	\$8,101.85
IRS	Tax	\$3,780.22	Layne Co	Testing	\$2,968.00
Clayton	Energy	\$24,136.80	City Laundering	Supplies	\$13.79
Dakota Supply	Supplies	\$437.52	MacQueen Co.	Supplies	\$359.52
GR. Market	Supplies	\$8.90	Scholastic	Books	\$81.94
GMU	Lights	\$3,512.49	IA Lakes Electric Coop	Pole	\$6,318.90
Hach Co.	Testing	\$529.20	Blichman Engineering	Catalyst	\$3,389.45
Harris Sanitation	Contract	\$5,945.52	Jake Masters	Rebate	\$50.00

Hawkins Inc.	Supplies	\$150.21	Diane Heinrichs	Rebate	\$150.00
IMFOA	Dues	\$50.00	Payroll		\$13,284.54
IAMU	Dues	\$2,195.00	Claims		\$114,084.92
IPERS		\$1,162.47	General		\$30,261.92
NW IA Planning	Dues	\$540.80	RUT		\$4,531.89
PA Treasurer	Contract	\$693.33	Emp Ben		\$2,721.90
Pro Coop	Gas	\$600.07	Debt		\$8,101.85
RVTC		\$1,031.75	Catalyst		\$3,389.45
US Cellular	Phone	\$216.03	Water		\$11,628.20
Wellmark	Insurance	\$6,611.42	Sewer		\$2,450.30
Able 2 Products	Supplies	\$112.50	Gas		\$50,999.41
PA Sheriff	Contract	\$5,231.33	Receipts		
GMLP	Light	\$36.07	General		\$8,912.71
JKP DESIGNS LLC	Supplies	\$75.00	RUT		\$9,885.82
Visa	Envelopes	\$1,273.42	Emp Ben		\$102.03
Culligan	Supplies	\$7.50	LOST		\$13,481.09
GR. Times	Legals	\$153.36	Water		\$11,896.07
GR. Hardware	Park	\$627.38	Sewer		\$10,472.61
	Tree				
Hoch Tree Service	Removal	\$1,700.00	Gas		\$69,258.69
			Total		\$129,600.57

Motion by Hoffman, seconded by Dyhrkopp to adjourn at 7:50 P.M.

Brandon Armstrong, Mayor

Kara Currans, City Clerk