

KANAWHA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES 9.13.23

Kanawha City Council Proceedings from September 13, 2023

The Kanawha City Council met in open session on Wednesday, September 13th, 2023. All council members were present. The Mayor or Pro tem Vanderploeg called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Bassett moved approval of the agenda subject to the removal of item #18, Receive complaint from Denise Buren. The motion to approve with the change was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Bassett moved approval of the minutes, clerk's report and payment of the following:

Amazon, traps, text book, vest plates.....	360.49
KC Nielsen, exhaust.....	29.32
Swenson Hdwe, traps, paint, other.....	421.89
MacQueen Equip, sweeper repair.....	5542.56
Team Lab, solvent, graphite.....	319.00
Gold-Eagle, fuel.....	1018.48
Nelson Septic, portable restroom.....	125.00
Trulson's, spark plug.....	12.87
Pitney Bowes, equip lease.....	163.53
Galls, clothing allowance.....	131.57
Iowa Pump Works, service agreement.....	1315.00
Lodin Lawn, spraying.....	810.00
Priority Electric, labor ball field light.....	155.00
Odp, city hall supplies.....	161.73

Mid-America Publ, publications.....	140.96
BMC, rock.....	98.44
N la Environmental, operator fee.....	615.00
Galls, batteries.....	24.56
Muni Supply, meters.....	2325.00
Visual Edge, water copier.....	14.95
CL Sanitary, tests.....	369.70
Newman Signs, street signs.....	414.79
Hawkins, chemicals.....	813.44
Visa, tool chest, other.....	893.57
Walk Construction, lift station roof replaced.....	3100.00

The motion to approve was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The following report was given to the council:

August 2023 Expenditures	
IRS, 941 tax Aug.....	4788.44
State of Iowa, W.E.T.....	716.18
IPERS, ipers.....	2883.59
IRS, 941 tax July.....	3762.68
Postmaster, water bills.....	110.67
James Jackson, return of deposit.....	75.00
Keaton/Quinn Yeakel " ".....	150.00
Jennifer Hammer " ".....	150.00
Janice Schreur " ".....	150.00
Ryan Oleson, reimb CDL.....	35.50
Principal, insurance.....	126.48
Trulson's, car serviced.....	77.83
N la Environmental, operator fee.....	615.00
Hawkins, chlorine.....	50.00
Iowa DNR, annual fee.....	210.00
Wells Fargo, copier.....	118.23
Iowa One Call, locates.....	17.10

USA Blue Book, chemicals.....	771.13
Visual Edge, water copier.....	14.95
R&M, installation meters.....	120.00
Ben Nieman, mowing.....	675.00
Gold-Eagle, fuel.....	882.19
N la Lumber, lumber.....	35.52
Amazon, mask, patch, vest.....	231.90
Swenson's Hdwe, concrete.....	289.01
Odp Business, ink.....	166.80
NIACOG, code update, mbrshp.....	1425.10
Purchase Power, postage.....	201.00
Mid-America Publishing, publications.....	164.86
Nelson Septic, portable restroom.....	160.50
JD Financial, various parts, labor.....	282.08
NW5634, stem poster.....	22.45
Mid-America Publishing, renew Monitor.....	54.00
CID, garb bags.....	110.00
Gold-Eagle, fuel.....	279.22
Electronic Engineering, 2 pagers.....	946.00
Sharon Grimm, mileage.....	26.25
DJ Martinez, uniform allowance.....	115.43
MCI, phone.....	39.79
Delta Dental, insurance.....	133.68
CID, towels, other.....	137.00
Wellmark, insurance.....	8954.85
Alliant, fire dept.....	401.25
Visa, library supply.....	433.08
B&T, book order.....	464.97
Lerner Publishing, book order.....	178.12
MCI, phone.....	35.51
Alliant, utilities.....	3049.62

Wells Fargo, equip lease.....	118.23
US Cellular, phone.....	165.13
DJ Martinez, reimb supply.....	9.41
Gordon Flesch, lib copier.....	24.45
Postmaster, water bill postage.....	113.22

August 2023 Expenditure by Fund General.....	16789.76
RUT.....	6259.36
Emp Ben.....	5306.59
Lib.....	2796.77
Water.....	7055.44
Sewer.....	4176.32

August 2023 Revenue by Fund General.....	1190.55
RUT.....	7316.70
Emp Ben.....	206.76
LOT.....	11106.37
Debt Serv.....	196.96
Lib.....	134.60
Water.....	11731.44
Sewer.....	6232.01
Storm Water.....	1498.27

Bassett moved approval of the police report summarized below:

Comp Hours for the year: 3
Hours worked from 8/8/23 to 9/13/23: 222
Training hours: 12

Calls for service: 61
Emt/Fire calls: 4
Citations/Charges: 16
Arrests: 1

Discussion on Police Dept. complaint review board, Ring camera subscription.

The motion to approve the police report was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Lemay moved approval of the Superintendent of Public Works report. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Bassett moved approval of the North Iowa Environmental report for August which stated that all systems are operating normally. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

During citizen comments, Jon Buren stated that a sidewalk on East 5th Street has been damaged and is in need of repair.

Bassett moved approval of the appointment of Cole Schisel as a probationary member of the Kanawha Fire Department. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Purvis moved approval of paying the summer ball wages the same as previous years. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Bassett moved approval of Ryan Oleson attending the water distribution and water leak detection workshop. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

An application was received by Justin Walk to work as needed with the Supt. of Public Works. Bassett moved approval of hiring Walk at a pay rate of \$20/hour. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Purvis offered the 3rd and Final Reading of Proposed Ordinance

#071123, an ordinance pertaining to water rates, and moved adoption of same. The motion was seconded by Bassett. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Purvis offered the 3rd and Final Reading of Proposed Ordinance #071123-2, an ordinance pertaining to sewer rates, and moved adoption of same. The motion was seconded by Lemay. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Bassett moved approval of the bid from Walk Construction in the amount of \$650, to fill in the pond and remove some trees at Arden Grove. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The Council discussed saving the ash trees by the tennis courts. Oleson will check into the cost of treating the trees.

Bassett, citing the cost, moved to drop the discussion on hiring someone to fill in for the city clerk when she is gone. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

A report from the annual site visit from IMWCA was given with recommendations. No action taken.

With there being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

*Sharon Grimm, City Clerk
Judy Vanderploeg,
Mayor Pro tem*

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PUBLIC NOTICE | Ordinance No. 071123

**ORDINANCE NO. 071123
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
THE SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE
OF THE CITY OF KANAWHA,
IOWA, BY DELETING SECTIONS
6-4-16 AND SUBSTITUTING A
NEW SECTION 6-4-16 PERTAINING
TO WATER RATES.**

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Kanawha, Iowa:

Section 1. Code of Ordinances of the City of Kanawha, Iowa, is amended by deleting Section 6-4-16 and substituting the following:

6-4-16 WATER RATES. Water shall be furnished at the following rates per building with the city limits: \$21.39 plus \$8.15 per 1000 gallons of water use in excess of 2,625 gallons

Building as used in this Ordinance shall mean only those buildings that have mandatory water connections pursuant to 6-4-4 and shall exclude outbuildings. The minimum charge shall be \$21.39 per building per monthly billing period.

If any account is not paid within twenty days from the end of any given period, the account shall be

delinquent. If any such charge is not paid the same shall constitute a lien upon the premises served by said municipal water collection system, which said lien shall be collected in the same manner as taxes.

Section 2. Repealer Clause. Any Ordinance provision, or part thereof, which differs or is inconsistent with this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of said difference or inconsistency.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, provision or part of the Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole, or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 4. Effective Date. The Ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval, posting and publication as required by law.

Passed by the Council this 13 day of Sep, 2023, and approved this 13 day of Sep, 2023.

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PROBATE | Joanne Kothenbeutel

**THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT
FOR HANCOCK COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF
JOANNE KOTHENBEUTEL,
Deceased.
CASE NO. ESPR012172
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL,
OF APPOINTMENT OF
EXECUTOR,
AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Joanne Kothenbeutel, Deceased, who died on or about August 27, 2023:

You are hereby notified that on September 6, 2023, the last will and testament of Joanne Kothenbeutel, deceased, bearing date of August 20, 2018, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Lee M. Pool was appointed executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities

are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated September 7, 2023.
Lee M. Pool,
Executor of Estate
100 High Street NE
Elkader IA 52043
Philip L. Garland, ICIS#:
AT0001786
Attorney for Executor
Garland & Rodriguez
200 State St, PO Box 134
Garner IA 50438
Date of second publication:
Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2023

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PUBLIC NOTICE | Ordinance No. 071123-2

**ORDINANCE NO. 071123-2
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
THE SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE
OF THE CITY OF KANAWHA,
IOWA, BY DELETING SECTION
6-3-4 AND SUBSTITUTING A
NEW SECTION 6-3-4 PERTAINING
TO SEWER RATES.**

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Kanawha, Iowa:

Section 1. Code of Ordinances of the City of Kanawha, Iowa, is

amended by deleting Section 6-3-4 and substituting the following:

6-3-4 RATE OF RENT AND MANNER OF PAYMENT. The rate of sewer shall be sixty-five percent (65%) of the net water bill for each premises within the sewer district created in Section 6-3-1, and sixty-five (65%) of the net water bill for premises outside the district. There shall be a minimum charge of \$13.90 per month for sewer service.

Section 2. Repealer Clause. Any

Ordinance provision, or part thereof, which differs or is inconsistent with this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of said difference or inconsistency.

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not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

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HANCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 9.5.23

**September 5, 2023
Garner, Iowa**

The Hancock County, Iowa, Board of Supervisors met in adjourned session on the above captioned date pursuant to adjournment with Supervisors Gary Rayhons and Jerry J. Tiach present. Absent: Florence (Sis) Greiman. Supervisor Florence (Sis) Greiman was present via teleconference from 9:14 a.m. to 10:06 a.m. for public hearing on the proposed sale of the county farm.

The minutes of August 28, 2023 meeting were read and approved.

A public hearing was held on the proposed sale of Hancock County farm in sections 28 and 29 of Garfield Township. Those present for the hearing were Supervisors Greiman (via teleconference), Rayhons, and Tiach, Auditor Michelle K. Eisenman, County Engineer Jeremy Purvis, County Attorney Rachel Ginbey, and Deputy to the Auditor, Ann Hinders. Present from the public Angela Nelson-KIOW, Greg Jensen, JJ Wise, Chase Duesenberg, Doug Thompson, Bob Kern, Wayne Rietema, and Ben Hassebrook-Leader; present via Go to Meeting was Rob Hillesland Summit-Tribune and Maintenance Director Jake Schreur. Supervisor Tiach asked the two auction companies, of which the Board of Supervisors will select one, to speak about their company and how the auction would be handled. JJ Wise and Greg Jensen of Land Proz spoke in regards to their company and recommended a live auction, if land doesn't sell county would only pay advertising. Chase Duesenberg-People's Company spoke in

regards to his company and also recommended a live auction with also splitting the land into two tracts, if land doesn't sell county would not pay anything. A survey of the farm-land is to be completed prior to sale of land. Both auctioneers felt market is staying strong and land would go well at auction. Bob Kern asked questions in regards to Drainage District no. 6 and protecting land owners in regards to a waterway. It was suggested by Greg Jensen that a restricted covenant could be added to the deed when sold. Doug Thompson spoke against using an auctioneer and stated the county attorney could handle the sale of land. Greg Jensen stated the county attorney cannot do what an auctioneer does with advertising and finding buyers. Wayne Rietema was opposed to selling the county farm as he felt keeping the farm would still have money coming into county. Doug Thompson was in favor of selling county farm as he felt government should not own property that generates income. Supervisor Tiach stated the constitution states government should not own property for profit and the amount of revenue generated from the county farm in rent doesn't cover the salary of one person employed for the county. He also stated if the county tried another bond issue the interest rate would now be 5-6%.

Supervisor Rayhons stated if the bond passes or fails still have to pay for bond, role of government is not to buy land for profit, and the money goes back onto the tax rolls. Supervisor Greiman apologized for not being present today, stated she had voted against selling the

farm and was sad to see the farm go. She also asked the other two board members to table the closed session until Monday when she returned to give her the opportunity to help choose the auctioneer. On motion by Supervisor Tiach, seconded by Supervisor Rayhons and carried unanimously, the Board motioned to close the public hearing.

On motion by Supervisor Tiach, seconded by Supervisor Rayhons and carried unanimously, the Board gave approval to the following: Set September 25, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. for the opening of sealed bids for the various farm ground of Secondary Road. Pay estimate no. 5 for East Entrance Vestibule project and Northwest Roof Repair project in the amount of \$102,462.80 (\$20,000 roof repair and \$82,462.80 for vestibule project) with Dean Snyder Construction Co.

At a joint teleconference with Cerro Gordo County Board of Supervisors, Chris Watts, Lori Ginapp, and Casey Callanan, Absent: none; and Hancock County Board of Supervisors Gary Rayhons and Jerry Tiach, Absent: Florence (Sis) Greiman; motion by Supervisor Watts, seconded by Supervisor Tiach, and carried unanimously, the Joint Board gave approval to the following: Awarded the project for Joint Drainage District no. 123-113 and Cerro Gordo County Drainage District no. 16 to Reutzel Excavating, Inc., Burt, Iowa, in the amount of \$17,342.80 as the best and lowest of three bids received.

On motion by Supervisor Tiach, seconded by Supervisor Rayhons, and carried, the Board authorized the County Auditor to issue checks

for the claims on file this date, September 5, 2023. A full listing of all claims paid in September 2023 will be published in the September 18, 2023 minutes.

Motion made by Supervisor Tiach to enter into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5 (1) (j), to discuss the purchase or sale of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property or reduce the price the governmental body would receive for that property. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Rayhons and the vote was unanimous to hold a closed session pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5 (1)(j). Supervisors present were Rayhons and Tiach. The Board of Supervisors entered into closed session. Minutes were taken and a tape recording made. The closed session was later concluded by agreement of the parties and the Board of Supervisors came back into open session. The recording and minutes were sealed and secured in an envelope, and no person will be permitted to examine them without a court order.

No further business to come before the Board, motion made to adjourn at 11:15 a.m. by Supervisor Tiach and carried. All Supervisors present voting. "Aye," session to adjourn and will meet again on September 11, 2023.

ATTEST:
Michelle K. Eisenman, Auditor
Florence Sis Greiman, Chair

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2022/2023 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT • HANCOCK COUNTY

FY 2022/2023 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance -- Actual and Budget
For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023
County Name: HANCOCK COUNTY County Number: 41

	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Debt Service	Permanent	Actual Totals	Budgeted Totals	
Revenues & Other Financing Sources								
Taxes Levied on Property	1 3,932,639	1,884,900		248,980		6,066,519	6,066,825	1
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2 0	0	0	0		0	0	2
Less: Credits to Taxpayers	3 209,291	80,793		13,597		303,681	277,000	3
Net Current Property Taxes	4 3,723,348	1,804,107		235,383		5,762,838	5,789,825	4
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	5 69	0		4		73	615	5
Penalties, Interest & Costs on Taxes	6 27,361	0				27,361	13,000	6
Other County Taxes/TIF Tax Revenues	7 67,002	764,806	0	4,154	0	835,962	800,983	7
Intergovernmental	8 621,132	4,506,036	0	17,436	0	5,144,604	5,371,717	8
Licenses & Permits	9 19,774	20,037	0	0	0	39,811	24,600	9
Charges for Service	10 353,821	100,630	0	0	0	454,451	421,995	10
Use of Money & Property	11 386,335	199,250	22,272	3,417	0	611,274	293,488	11
Miscellaneous	12 172,779	238,201	0	0	0	410,980	215,270	12
Subtotal Revenues	13 5,371,621	7,633,067	22,272	260,394	0	13,287,354	12,931,493	13
Other Financing Sources:								
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	14 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
Operating Transfers In	15 29,318	2,616,530	0	0	0	2,645,848	2,651,530	15
Proceeds of Capital Asset Sales	16 0	55,825	0	0	0	55,825	0	16
Total Revenues & Other Sources	17 5,400,939	10,305,422	22,272	260,394	0	15,989,027	15,583,023	17
Expenditures & Other Financing Uses								
Operating:								
Public Safety and Legal Services	18 1,586,381	756,327			0	2,342,708	2,653,539	18
Physical Health Social Services	19 384,825	0	0	0	0	384,825	507,961	19
Mental Health, ID & DD (Polk County only)	20 0	0			0	0	0	20
County Environment and Education	21 10,312	682,667						