

## SCHALLER CITY COUNCIL

### April 8, 2024, Schaller, Iowa, Regular Meeting

**Roll call:** The meeting was called to order in the council chambers by Mayor Sean Ehrp at 6:30 p.m. Council members present: Keith Thompson, Mike Bailey, Chris Grothe, Cindy Segebart, Rex Rimmer. Other city officials present were Clerk Theresa Bailey, Fire Chief Derek Wall and City Supt. Stan Oatis.

**Approval of minutes:** Motion by Chris, second by Rex, to approve the minutes from the March 11, 2024 regular meeting; March 25, 2024 special meeting and April 1, 2024 special meeting. All ayes, motion carried.

**Approval of agenda:** Motion by Keith, second by Mike, to approve the agenda. All ayes, motion carried.

**Iowa Lakes Regional Water:** Brad Veit was present to address concerns with them providing water service to Schaller. He suggested the 17 miles of new mains that would need to be laid is financially not feasible for the city.

**McClure Engineering:** The city was approved for disadvantaged community status with the DNR for the wastewater project. The compliance schedule will be modified. After discussion regarding drinking water, motion by Rex, second by Cindy, to authorize McClure Engineering to move on with the next phase regarding a water project for the city. All ayes, nays none. Motion carried.

**Nuisance Inspector:** Dave Christensen with the City of Merville spoke with the council regarding a 28E agreement for nuisance abatement procedures within the city of Schaller. After discussion, motion by Cindy, second by Rex, to enter into a 28E agreement with the City of Merville for abating nuisance properties. All ayes, nays none.

**Schaller Library:** Brenda presented the findings of a space needs assessment completed by Shana Stuart.

**Clarence Hansen:** Motion by Keith, second by Chris, to table this topic until the May meeting. All ayes, nays none. More information would like to be gathered.

**Schaller Fire Department:** Chief Wall asked council if they were aware of an emergency management plan for the city. Communication was a major topic during a tornado training recently held in Sac City. The city will look into who may have the communication plan.

**Weather Siren:** The fire chief inquired about the city purchasing a new emergency alert siren system. The current siren is not capable of working if there is a loss of electricity. Grants have been applied for to help fund this. Motion by Rex, second by Chris, to table this item in hopes of securing more grant dollars. All ayes, motion carried.

**Stray Animals Ordinance 185:** Motion by Keith, second by Chris, to approve the second reading of ordinance 185 feeding stray animals, and waiving the third reading. Roll call: Mike, aye; Chris, aye; Cindy, aye; Keith, aye; Rex, aye. Nays: none. All ayes, motion carried.

#### **55.18 FEEDING STRAY CATS AND DOGS.**

1. Definitions for this section.

A. **“FEED or FEEDING”** means the placing of dog or cat food, or similar food products or consumable materials attractive to dogs and cats, which may result in dogs and cats congregating thereon on a regular basis, placed on the ground, in an obviously intended feeder, or in a feeder at a height accessible to cats and dogs.

B. **“STRAY”** means an unlicensed domestic or feral dog or cat running at large and unaccompanied or controlled by an owner.

2. Prohibited. No person shall feed or allow the feeding of any stray cat or dog within the city.

3. Exceptions. Veterinarians and persons who, acting within the scope of their employment with any governmental entity non-profit, or humane society has custody of or manages stray dogs and cats are not subject to the prohibitions of this section.
4. Violation of this Code of Ordinance may be prosecuted as a simple misdemeanor.

**Resolution 24-13:** Motion by Mike, second by Rex, to approve resolution 24-13 stop signs at the north and south intersections of Dundas and Third Street. Roll call: Mike, aye; Chris, aye; Cindy, aye; Keith, aye; Rex, aye. Nays: none. All ayes, motion carried.

**Yard waste area fines:** For those individuals who have been illegally dumping materials at the yard waste area are subject to a fine. Council would like to see the cameras checked often if this continues to happen. Motion by Keith, second by Mike, to accept the quote from G&K Fabrication \$400.00 for two 6" ten-gauge metal posts for dump gates. These would be set to support the closing of gates. All ayes, motion carried. Gavin will also remove old and set new poles for \$125.00 an hour.

**Budget:** A special meeting has been set by the council at 6:30 p.m. on April 22<sup>nd</sup> for budget approval.

**Schaller Pool:** Brody inquired about a babysitter pass for the summer of 2024. Motion by Rex, second by Keith, to allow a \$25 seasonal babysitter pass. This is only valid for one person and only used when the kids are the present with them. All ayes, motion carried. This is not for daycare providers.

**Electric Pump:** Quotes were received for Flygt replacement parts at the lagoon. The second quote being for valve replacement and accessories. Rex has offered to visit with Electric Pump and get more information regarding this.

**The Pavement Doctor:** Motion by Rex, second by Cindy, to let Stan visit with The Pavement Doctor regarding street work, with a budget of \$5,000 for repairs. All ayes, motion carried.

**Power Solutions Water Tower Quote:** Council decided city superintendent can change coolant for the water tower generator.

**Power Solutions Ambulance Shed Quote:** Motion by Keith, second by Cindy, to approve the Power Solutions quote for \$447.62 to replace the breaker cover at the ambulance shed.

**Resolution 24-14:** Motion by Mike, second by Keith, to void resolution 24-14 hiring city superintendent. Roll call: Mike, aye; Chris, aye; Keith, aye; Rex, aye; Cindy, aye. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Resolution 24-15:** Motion by Mike, second by Chris, to approve resolution 24-15 hiring city superintendent and compensation. Roll call: Mike, aye; Chris, aye; Keith, aye; Cindy, aye; Rex, aye. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**City Personnel Reports:** Theresa inquired about getting paint for the tennis court surface and local volunteers were interested in painting; inquired about interest rates on the CD's; Stan would like permission to fix the building around the base of the water tower, to prevent freezing next year; Keith would like sidewalk concerns addressed; was asked by a resident to inquire with the council regarding parking in front yards; expressed concerns about potential city employee withdrawing application after conversation with council member; Rex was appreciative of clerk getting those involved in water project to attend the meeting; Mike, Cindy, Chris, Mayor Ehrp, nothing at this time.

**Consideration and approval of claims:** Motion to approve \$50,414.52 claims by Rex, second by Keith. All ayes, motion carried.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn by Chris, second by Mike. All ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

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Sean Ehrp, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Theresa Bailey, City Clerk

ACCO	SUPPLIES	\$416.20
AG STATE	FUEL	\$911.80
ALL RECIPES MAGAZINE	PERIODICAL	\$20.00
ALPHA WIRELESS	PROGRAM RADIOS	\$184.00
AMY'S SIGN & DESIGNS	SIGNS	\$65.00
AT&T MOBILITY	CELL PHONES	\$173.58
BAKER & TAYLOR	LIBRARY MATERIALS	\$269.17
BOMGAARS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$157.27
BRENDA NABERHAUS	LIBRARY SUPPLIES	\$150.55
CHRIS GROTHE	TRAIL CAMERAS	\$73.83
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAXES	\$2,384.40
ELECTRIC PUMP	SERVICE AGREEMENT	\$775.00
FELD FIRE	BUNKER GEAR	\$6,960.00
FOUNDATION LAB	TESTING	\$16.50
G&K FABRICATION	DUMPSTER REPAIRS	\$200.00
REIMER, LOHMAN & REITZ	LEGAL FEES	\$420.00
IA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAXES	\$1,544.20
IA MUNICIPAL FINANCE	MEMBERSHIP	\$20.00
IA PRISON INDUSTRIES	SIGNS	\$134.20
IPERS	REGULAR	\$1,830.27
JACOB MYRTUE	AFFIDAVIT OPERATOR	\$500.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITIES	\$3,275.57
NORTH LAKE TRUCK REPAIR	LIGHT BAR #610	\$625.00
OFFICE OF AUDITOR OF STATE	PERIODIC EXAM FEE	\$1,500.00
POWER SOLUTIONS	LIGHTS AT PARK, SHED	\$1,434.39
RUDD SANITATION	ROLL OFF SERVICE	\$300.00
SAC COUNTY SHERIFF	CONTRACT	\$7,603.14
SCHALLER HERALD	PUBLISHING	\$623.18
SCHALLER TELEPHONE	SERVICES	\$264.63
SCHMITT CONTRACTING	INSTALL CITY SHED DOOR	\$1,420.52
STANLEY OATIS	MILEAGE	\$38.86
THERESA BAILEY	SUPPLIES	\$175.95
TIPSY GOAT	LEAGUE MEETING	\$255.94
TRIONFO SOLUTIONS	LIFE INS	\$86.21
VETTER EQUIPMENT	CUTTING EDGE	\$635.90
VISUAL EDGE IT, INC.	COPIER CLICKS	\$51.55
WELLMARK BC/BS	HEALTH INS	\$5,326.99
AP TOTAL		\$40,823.80
PAYROLL		\$9,590.72
TOTAL		\$50,414.52
DISBURSEMENTS		
GENERAL		\$17,335.12

LIBRARY	\$2,216.49
FIRE	\$8,336.91
ROAD USE TAX	\$8,721.98
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$12.84
WATER	\$3,667.45
SEWER	\$3,381.71
LANDFILL/GARBAGE	\$6,742.02

RECEIPTS	
GENERAL	\$8,055.82
LIBRARY	\$6,407.67
FIRE	\$2,247.67
ROAD USE TAX	\$5,944.04
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$1,322.46
LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	\$7,744.71
DEBT SERVICE	\$362.26
WATER	\$79,056.18
SEWER	\$12,348.96
SEWER SINKING	\$6,125.00
LANDFILL/GARBAGE	\$9,419.79