

**Scranton City Council Minutes
September 9th, 2008**

Present: Walker, Zellweger, Jacobsen, Reck, Wright
 Absent: None
 Other: Attorney David Morain, Bill Esdohr, Ethel Subbert, Dean Jacobsen, Officer Goode, Officer King, Steve Hauptert, Rick Morain, Jason White

Mayor Rudolph called the meeting to order in the school music room at 7:01 PM. Motion by Jacobsen, second by Walker to approve the agenda. APVA/MC

Rick Morain of the Greene County Development Corporation and Jason White with Midwest Partnership updated the council on the employment and population status in Greene County and the need to attract people to jobs. Several companies in the county are in an expansion phase.

Steve Hauptert, Democratic candidate for Greene County Sheriff, visited with the council on changes he would make in the event he is elected sheriff.

The council received the monthly maintenance report. Items discussed included trash pickup at the parks, selling the snow blower and installing fire hydrants.

Officer Goode presented the monthly police report. Due to the vacancy in the police department and limited time to work on abatements he is focusing on unsafe buildings in town as his first priority. Officer Goode and Officer King informed the council of an upcoming weapons certification course through Hawkeye Community College in Waterloo. Officer King and Officer Goode requested the council pay for ½ (half) of the cost of the course. Anticipated cost is \$525.00, which includes ammunition. Motion by Zellweger, second by Wright to cover ½ (half) of the tuition to the Hawkeye program. APVA/MC

Mayor Rudolph updated the council on the status of the school steering committee. The steering committee has had the county engineer as well as heating and cooling contractors look at the school. Recent discussions with the school included sharing the cost of asbestos removal and sealing the newer portion once the 3-story building is demolished. The steering committee made a motion at their last meeting requesting the council consider temporary use of the school for up to one year to allow the committee sufficient time to perform the necessary research needed in order to make a recommendation to the council. Mayor Rudolph and Attorney Morain will visit with the school on possible terms of a temporary use agreement.

The council discussed a request from Scranton Manufacturing for short term rental of the bus barn for parts storage. Motion by Reck, second by Jacobsen to rent the bus barn to Scranton Manufacturing at a cost of \$300.00 per month plus electricity. APVA/MC. It was also discussed that if the council agrees to take temporary use of the school the rental money from Scranton Manufacturing would be applied towards the cost of utilities. No motion was made at this time as temporary use of the school has not been approved at this time.

The clerk asked the council to approve the consent agenda as the original motion was not specific to include the consent agenda items. Motion by Jacobsen, second by Wright to approve the consent agenda which included minutes from 8/3, 8/12, 8/18 and paying monthly bills. APVA/MC

Miscellaneous items discussed included porous asphalt, street signs and a broken teeter totter at the park. With no further business to discuss a motion was made by Jacobsen, second by Reck to adjourn the meeting at 9:13 PM.

Approved Bills

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| ALLIANT ENERGY | lb electricity | \$261.80 | MET | lab testing | \$240.00 |
| AQUILA | lb natl gas | \$102.32 | MILLS TRASH SERVICE | gb/re/lf | \$4,799.06 |
| BAKER & TAYLOR | lb books | \$422.49 | SCRANTON JOURNAL | publications | \$105.65 |
| SANDY BURRIS | lb cleaning | \$40.00 | SELECT OFFICE SYSTEMS | copier rental | \$138.42 |
| THE DES MOINES REGISTER | lb subscription | \$64.25 | STONE PRINTING | office supplies | \$72.02 |
| K-MART | lb videos | \$153.17 | WAL-MART | recording supplies | \$40.84 |
| MIDWEST LIVING | lb magazine | \$19.97 | TRUE NORTH COMPANIES | insurance | \$4.00 |
| PEOPLE | lb magazine | \$100.00 | GREENE COUNTY SHERIFF | 28E agreement | \$450.00 |
| SCRANTON TELEPHONE | lb phone/dsl | \$85.40 | PEMBLE DIGGING | jetting | \$225.00 |
| SHERYL HOYT | lb supplies | \$27.85 | STAR ENERGY | fuel | \$303.67 |
| SARAH STEPHENS | lb supplies | \$42.26 | RUDY'S SERVICE & DETAIL | oil change | \$20.00 |
| | | | MOTOR PARTS WAREHOUSE | | |
| AQUILA | natl gas | \$275.78 | INC | brake lines | \$38.12 |
| IOWA TREASURER | state w/h | \$330.66 | O'HALLORAN | equip repair | \$595.65 |

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| IPERS | retirement | \$905.26 | IOWA SMALL ENGINE BLACKTOP SERVICE COMPANY | equip repair/safety | \$291.20 |
| PEOPLES BANK | fica/med/fwh | \$1,930.58 | JEFFERSON TELEPHONE CO | seal coating | \$14,921.46 |
| POSTMASTER | postage | \$200.00 | EZ-LINER | phone accessories | \$27.74 |
| US CELLULAR | cell phones | \$95.00 | AQUILA | paint supplies | \$188.49 |
| ALLIANT ENERGY | electricity | \$2,684.04 | BAKER & TAYLOR | lb natl gas | \$102.32 |
| DATA TECHNOLOGIES | software | \$1,702.22 | ALLIANT ENERGY | lb books | \$279.98 |
| DUST-TEX | rugs/mop drainage assessment | \$83.58 | SANDY BURRIS | lb electricity | \$261.80 |
| GREENE CO TREASURER | assessment | \$640.00 | GREENE CO TREASURER | lb cleaing lb drainage assessment | \$40.00 |
| HAWKINS | chemicals | \$1,058.92 | K-MART | lb videos/supplies | \$5.00 |
| IAMU | dues | \$335.33 | SCRANTON TELEPHONE | lb phone/dsl | \$90.95 |
| IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES | rd signs | \$397.00 | FARM & RANCH LIVING | lb magazine | \$85.40 |
| KEYSTONE LABS | lab testing | \$122.50 | | | \$19.98 |
| MOSQUITO CONTROL OF IOWA | mosquito spraying | \$2,700.00 | | | |

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Dawn Rudolph, Mayor