

**Dexter City Council
Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 13th, 2025**

The Dexter City Council met in regular session on Monday, January 13th, 2025. Mayor Clemetson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Answering roll call was Morehouse, Warrior, England, Cope. Absent Easter. Also present were City Clerk Heckman, Public Works Canfield, Attorney Menslik, Consultant Douglas.

Morehouse made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Warrior. Morehouse, Warrior, England, Cope all aye. Morehouse made a motion to approve Dexter City Council Meeting Minutes December 9th, 2024, seconded by England. Morehouse, Warrior, England, Cope all aye.

Cope made a motion to approve the bill list as presented, seconded by England dated 1-13-2025. Morehouse, Warrior, England, Cope all aye.

ACCU JET	SEWER LINES	\$ 1,418.72
AGSOURCE COOP SERVICES	TESTING	\$ 68.50
ALLIANT ENERGY	UTILITIES	\$ 5,376.85
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	HOIST WRENCHES FIRE STATION	\$ 767.46
AMERICAN UNDERGROUND	MISC WATER SUPPLIES	\$ 25.57
ANKENY SANITATION	MONTHLY CONTRACT	\$ 6,828.37
CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES	COPIER	\$ 76.58
CAPITAL CITY EQUIPMENT COMPANY	SNOW PUSHER	\$ 3,647.52
CITY OF DEXTER	UTILITIES	\$ 319.45
DALLAS CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	POLICE PROTECTION	\$ 8,375.01

DALLAS COUNTY ENGINEER	SALT BEET JUICE	\$	510.81
DORSEY WHITNEY	FIRE DEPARTMENT BOND	\$	10,000.00
EARLHAM BUILDING CENTER	STEP LADDER	\$	768.76
ED LEEDOM	CODE ENFORCEMENT	\$	500.00
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAXES	\$	2,708.13
ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING	BATTERY & SHIPPING	\$	173.69
FELD FIRE	VESTS	\$	87.80
FLEET FARM	PUBLIC WORKS COLD WEATHER GEAR	\$	298.00
HOPKINS & HUEBNER, P.C.	LEGAL FEES	\$	822.78
IOMADA SOLUTIONS LLC	AVAST HARDWARE ISSUES & SRVCS	\$	315.00
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	\$	1,079.63
IOWA FIREFIGHTERS ASSOC.	13 FF MEMBERSHIP	\$	273.00
IPERS	IPERS	\$	1,933.66
J.P. COOKE TAG CO.	PET LICENSE TAGS	\$	87.25
JENSEN BUILDERS, LTD.	NEW FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$	195,984.52
KINZIE SERVICE LLC	TIRE REPAIR	\$	25.00
MIDWEST BREATHING AIR, LLC	MISC SUPPLIES & TESTS	\$	660.93

MIDWEST OFFICE TECHNOLOGY	COPIER SUPPLIES	\$	128.94
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC.	PLUMBING SUPPLIES	\$	849.00
CORNERSTONE COMM.CONTR, INC.	BOND GRIA47763A APP 9	\$	135,823.92
PANORAMA TIRE	SERVICE TRUCK & SUPPLIES	\$	805.35
QUILL CORPORATION	PAPER TLS CPY PAPER	\$	79.22
RDG	NOVEMBER PASS	\$	6,745.46
SACKETT EARTHWORKS LLC	ROCK & HAULING	\$	3,829.92
IOWA DEPT. OF REVENUE	IOWA SALES TAX	\$	827.11
THE SHREDDER	SHREDDING SERVICE	\$	108.00
THE STUART HERALD	MOWING & PUBLISHING	\$	367.62
WALLACE AUTO SUPPLY	ALTERNATOR	\$	970.26
PAYROLL CHECKS		\$	9,016.16
**** REPORT TOTAL ****		\$	402,683.95

	EXPENSES	REVENUE
GENERAL	\$ 27,567.66	\$ 21,671.85
ROAD USE TAX	\$ 8,543.25	\$ 7,343.66
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT		\$ 459.62

LOCAL OPTIONS SALES TAX		\$	17,299.20	
DEBT SERVICE		\$	3,734.42	
FACADE PROJECT	\$	142,569.38	\$	27,217.00
FIRE STATION	\$	210,663.44		
WATER	\$	7,790.72	\$	20,121.65
SEWER	\$	5,549.50	\$	15,185.08
SEWER SINKING			\$	4,497.91
STORM WATER			\$	310.40
TOTAL FUNDS	\$	402,683.95	\$	117,840.79

Clerk Updates: Fifty-three (47) delinquencies were mailed out, eight (8) 24 Hr notices hung, Zero (0) were shut off. One residence will need to have a water shut off valve located as the bill is increasing monthly. The Public Works department will be locating the valve, but please note that frost levels may impact the timeline of this project.

Boards & Committees The Dallas County Sheriff's Office provided handouts. Library president asked about the state fraud audit. The mayor spoke regarding discussion with the Dallas County Detective, stating the Dallas County Prosecutor will not be pressing charges against the previous librarian. Council Warrior will assist Public Works with removing old furniture from the Library. Community House-Roundhouse, Marilyn Boyle provided the city with a letter from the Iowa Department of Inspection, Appeals, & Licensing to file the Annual Gambling Report.

Reports City Department Public Works, Council Warrior asked about the amount of minor maintenance plans for the backhoe. Council Warrior asked about the previous banners for the city, for public works to look into acquiring new. Council Warrior asked about the Freeman St emergency cleaning, a road cone had been placed in the line, causing the sewer issue. Council Warrior asked if there is a plan for additional salt, Public Works indicated he will monitor the weather and order when needed. Fire & Rescue Council Cope asked if the Fire & Rescue had enough members, Morehouse stated they will provide updates after a possible new member is voted on at an upcoming meeting. The Mayor asked if a new time frame was set for the house

burn at 10213 Polk, Morehouse stated as soon as the weather clears they will. Code Enforcement provided letters and photos of properties that needed to be addressed. The city has taken formal steps to address violations around town. Attorney Mendlik and Ed Leedom with Code Enforcement have sent letters to affected addresses as well, outlining necessary actions. Additionally, certified mail notifications have been mailed to properties requiring attention. Property owners are urged to comply with these notices to avoid further action.

Linda Cope discussed the Methodist Church Utility Bill(s), with the next bill also significant, as a water leak was located in the basement. With being a church a motion was made by Morehouse, seconded by Warrior to charge only the average water and sewer rate for the utility bill due 1-20-2025 and 2-20-2025, and to write off the amount over the normal amount. Morehouse, Warrior, England, all aye. Cope abstained

Motion was made by Warrior, seconded by Cope, to approve CDBG claim #14 for the DTR project. Morehouse, Warrior, England, Cope all aye.

FY 2025 - 2026 Budget was discussed and budgeted money should be used prior to amounts on reserve. The school will be charged an additional fee for the new water meter. Staff is still looking for cuts in the budget. Looking through the General fund revenue as well as budgeted items, could be increased. January 27th, 2025 at 5:30pm

March 20th, 2025 is the soonest we can set the proposed Tax Hearing, we will bring this back under old business on February 10th, 2025 to set a date.

The city council will initially contact local companies to solicit bids for the demolition of the existing city hall and fire station.

The city council will discuss and subsequently invite bids for the moving and remodeling of the proposed city hall. Ads for bids will be published after February 13th, 2025.

Handbook and time off as well as overtime will be an ongoing discussion, until ruled upon.

Motion to adjourn was made by Morehouse, seconded by Cope, at 8:14pm. Morehouse, Warrior, England, Cope all aye.

Dennis Clemetson, Mayor

Attest:

Carla Heckman, City Clerk