

**CITY OF MENDOTA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
March 4, 2024**

Mayor Boelk called the March 4, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting to order at 5:30pm. The meeting was held in person at 607 8th Avenue, Mendota. After the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken.

PRESENT: Mayor Boelk, Alderpersons Hessenberger, Holland, Kim, Miller, Peasley and Johnson.

ABSENT: Aldermen Fitzpatrick and Hochstatter.

Mayor Boelk asked if there were any changes, additions or deletions to the agenda. Mayor Boelk entertained a motion to approve:

1. The Agenda for the Regular City Council Meeting for March 4, 2024.
2. The Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held on February 19, 2024.
3. The payment of General Fund Bills totaling \$64,035.77.
4. The payment of Water/Sewer Fund Bills totaling \$96,726.06.

General Fund Bills

1st Ayd Corp.	\$2,227.69
A.R.S.	\$2,030.95
AEP Energy	\$7,580.04
Allwell from Illinicare Health	\$7.01
Blue Cross of Illinois	\$800.10
Bonnell Industries Inc.	\$136.91
Bound Tree Medical LLC	\$207.92
Chase Card Services	\$286.75
City of Mendota Water Dept.	\$115.08
ComCast	\$540.86
ComCast Business	\$73.95
Frontier	\$128.84
General Code	\$995.00
Hi-Viz Inc.	\$140.00
Illinois Valley Regional Dispatch	\$13,715.99
John Deere Financial	\$339.10
Johnson Seat & Canvas Shop Inc.	\$1,100.00
Kittilson's Garage	\$6,915.25
Martin Equipment of Illinois	\$114.95
Matthew Kristensen	\$68.83
Mautino Dist. Co. Inc.	\$59.70
McLean County Asphalt Co.	\$1,223.20
Mendota Reporter	\$1,389.00
Moore Tire	\$31.20
NiCor Gas	\$204.22
Northern Illinois Amb. Billing	\$2,724.73
Northern Partners Coop	\$10,493.70
O'Reilly Auto Parts	\$13.98
P.F. Pettibone & Co.	\$491.65
Pitney Bowes Bank Inc. Purchase	\$86.46
Pohl's Office Supply	\$78.25
Pomp's Tire	\$1,288.98
Purchase Power	\$163.90
Ray O'Herron Co. Inc.	\$85.27
Rockford Window Cleaners	\$70.00
SCBAS Inc.	\$12.33
Schimmer Inc.	\$498.15
Schmidt Sales & Service LLC	\$53.97

Share Corporation	\$385.01
Sherwin Williams Co.	\$149.76
SMB Data Networks Inc.	\$1,671.70
Standard Equipment Co.	\$756.68
Sullivan's Ace Hardware	\$35.88
Susan Ponto	\$160.00
Target Solutions Learning LLC	\$2,420.84
Unifirst Corp.	\$273.64
WTH Technology Inc.	\$850.95
Zarnoth Brush Works Inc.	\$837.40
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Water & Sewer Fund Bills

Brenntag Mid-South Inc.	\$2,937.63
Carquest Auto Parts	\$38.67
City of Mendota General Fund	\$78,309.69
Complete Integration & Svc.	\$465.00
Doors Unlimited	\$156.25
Ferguson Waterworks #2516	\$611.63
Frontier	\$113.77
Grasser's Plumbing & Heating	\$959.00
Home Town Battery	\$207.98
Jason Phalen	\$212.98
Mike Pierce	\$2,800.00
Motion Industries Inc.	\$191.19
NiCor Gas	\$2,439.94
Prairie State Tractor	\$297.44
R.P. Lumber Company Inc.	\$3,540.86
SMB Data Networks Inc.	\$269.73
Sullivan's Ace Hardware	\$72.97
Test Inc.	\$1,130.00
U.S. Postmaster	\$1,000.00
Unifirst Corp.	\$170.24
USA Blue Book	\$354.15
Water Products Company	\$446.94
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Alderman Holland motioned to approve the above items. Alderman Hessenberger seconded the motion.

The Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Alderpersons Hessenberger, Holland, Kim, Miller, Peasley and Johnson.

Nays: None.

Absent: Aldermen Fitzpatrick and Hochstatter.

Motion carried.

Mayor Boelk read a letter that the city will be sending contractors with the annual registration application. The letter identified steps that the city will be taking in regard to contractor registration, building permits, building codes and building code enforcement. Up until now, the city has had a part time inspector with limited time available to police and inspect projects. There will be three listening sessions for contractors to share thoughts and concerns. The dates and times of the sessions are: Monday, April 1 at 6pm; Wednesday, April 3 at 8am and Monday, April 8 at noon.

City Clerk McConville's Business & Correspondence:

CITY SALES TAX:	12/22 Disbursed 2/23	\$138,470.01		23FYTD	\$1,427,431.89	
	12/23 Disbursed 2/24	\$123,225.10	-11.01%	24FYTD	\$1,461,646.40	2.40%
STATE INCOME TAX:	12/22 Disbursed 2/23	\$103,907.66		23FYTD	\$980,317.19	
	12/23 Disbursed 2/24	\$106,562.36	2.55%	24FYTD	\$877,375.53	-10.50%

Attorney Guilfoyle's Business & Correspondence:

Department Head Business & Correspondence:

Aldermanic Business & Correspondence:

In Alderman Fitzpatrick's absence, Clerk McConville presented the RFP for Asbestos Removal at 704 Illinois Avenue. The proposals will be due on March 29 and the contract will most likely be awarded on April 1st.

Alderman Holland presented two ordinances to purchase empty lots on Illinois Avenue. The first ordinance, ORD. 03-04-24 is to purchase 714 Illinois Avenue (PIN #01-33-134-031) from Marco Molina for \$14,500 using 2022 TIF funds. Alderman Holland motioned to approve the ordinance and Alderman Hessenberger seconded the motion.

The Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Alderpersons Hessenberger, Holland, Kim, Miller, Peasley and Johnson.

Nays: None.

Absent: Aldermen Fitzpatrick and Hochstatter.

Motion carried.

Alderman Holland presented and motioned to approve ORD. 03-04-24A, An Ordinance Authorizing Purchase of Real Property. The ordinance approves the purchase of 712 and 716 Illinois Avenue (PIN#01-33-134-015; 01-33-134-016; 01-33-134-007 and 01-33-134-028) for \$16,400 and \$12,800, respectively. Alderman Hessenberger seconded the motion.

The Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Alderpersons Hessenberger, Holland, Kim, Miller, Peasley and Johnson.

Nays: None.

Absent: Aldermen Fitzpatrick and Hochstatter.

Motion carried.

Next, Alderman Kim presented and motioned to approve the purchase of a Foster Coach ambulance for \$371,735. The ambulance has been used for demonstration purposes and is four wheel drive. It has approximately 6,000 miles on it. The ambulance will need to be equipped with a computer system and graphics after it is purchased. Alderman Miller seconded the motion.

The Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Alderpersons Hessenberger, Holland, Kim, Miller, Peasley and Johnson.

Nays: None.

Absent: Aldermen Fitzpatrick and Hochstatter.

Motion carried.

Alderperson Johnson stated that the Food Truck Monday Mania will be coming back this year. It will run for six months and will be on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of May through October minus the Monday directly after Sweet Corn Festival.

Mayor Boelk asked if there was any other business from the aldermen or department heads.

Mayor Boelk inquired if there was any business from the floor. At this time Eddy Diaz addressed the council. He stated that he owned the old Dollar General Store at 1314 Meriden Street. He has put a lot of money into the building in order to make it an event space. He was told that he would have to put in a sprinkler system and he cannot afford to do so. Several people stated their concerns with the city enforcing building codes when doing so will put major financial stress on the owners of the buildings. Mayor Boelk stated that the time has come to start implementing a system that is uniform and consistent. Mayor Boelk reiterated that the city will have listening sessions for all to voice their opinions and be heard. The goal is not to punish property owners but to make the city safe.

Mayor Boelk entertained a motion to adjourn.

Alderman Kim motioned to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting of March 4nd, 2024 at 6:26pm. Alderman Miller seconded the motion.

The Voice Vote: ALL AYES.

Absent: Alderman Fitzpatrick and Hochstatter.

Motion carried.

David W. Boelk, Mayor

ATTEST:

Emily J. McConville, City Clerk