The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jacobsen at 5:30pm. Council in attendance: Hemmingsen, Weihs, Griffith (5:40pm), Jacobsen,and Hocker. Hocker moved, Weihs seconded, to approve the agenda with the amendment to move the resolution for new hire for Fire Department to the beginning of the new business. ALL AYED. Hemmingsen moved, Hocker seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda. ALL AYED.

**Public Comments-** Peggy Weighton- present to discuss 112 Nasby property reverting back to her and not being able to afford to pay the demolition bill. The lot is a buildable lot and it was suggested by Stetzel that it be advertised for sale. The Council could not take action,but asked that she provide the assessed value of the property and to have it placed on the September agenda.

**Departmental Reports** Police- provide a written report of crime statistics to the Council.
Fire Dept.- The ATV is nearly ready to be placed into service.
Public Works- the gravel spot on Leroy was concreted.
Clerk- nothing
Library- nothing
**Committee Reports-** None
**Old Business-** None

**New Business-** Proclamation- Mayor Jacobsen proclaimed the City’s support for the American Legion Legacy Ride.
Petersen abatement- Rod Petersen asked for more time to complete repairs to the property at 103 First Ave. Hemmingsen moved, Hocker seconded, to extend the abatement time to 60 days with a report due to the Council in 30 days. ALL AYED.
Bohlmann abatement- Rick Bohlmann asked that the mowing abatement charge on 207 Church Street be forgiven since he had already paid for others. NO ACTION TAKEN.
Wiskus Offer- Griffith moved, Weihs seconded, to set a public hearing for September 10th for disposal of 310 North Street. ALL AYED.
Pay application #13-Hocker moved, Griffith seconded, to approve the payout. ALL AYED.
Scope change #1- Hocker moved, Jacobsen seconded, to approve the scope change. ALL AYED.

Block request- Hemmingsen moved, Hocker seconded, to approve the blocking of parking spaces on Leroy Street in front of the Church and Courthouse on August 20th. ALL AYED.
Vision Grant- Hocker moved, Weihs seconded, to approve $1,000 toward the application for the Vision Grant to help improve the Hwy 71 corridor. ALL AYED.
Street/Alley closure- Weihs moved, Griffith seconded, to approve the street and alley closure around Vic’s Main Tap for a band and poker run. ALL AYED.
Resolution 18-38- Hocker moved, Hemmingsen seconded, to adopt this resolution that approves and instructs the Street Finance report be sent to the Iowa DOT. ROLL CALL: AYES; Hocker, Hemmingsen, Griffith, Weihs, Jacobsen. NAYS; None RESOLUTION PASSED 5 to 0.
Resolution 18-39- Hocker moved, Jacobsen seconded, to adopt this resolution that approves the hire of Joe Otten as a volunteer Fire Fighter. ROLL CALL: AYES; Hocker, Hemmingsen,Weihs, Jacobsen. NAYS; None ABSTAIN; Griffith (Fire Captain) RESOLUTION PASSED 4 to 0.
Resolution 18-37- Weihs moved, Griffith seconded, to adopt this resolution approving the hire of Jeremy Nelsen as a Public Works employee. ROLL CALL: AYES; Hocker, Hemmingsen, Griffith, Weihs, Jacobsen. NAYS; None RESOLUTION PASSED 5 to 0.
Park and Recreation Policy­- Hemmingsen moved, Jacobsen seconded, to table this item until a formal written policy could be presented. ALL AYED.
Park and Recreation Board- Hemmingsen moved, Hocker seconded, to approve Jo Beane to the Park and Recreation Board. ALL AYED.
Closed Session- Hocker moved, Weihs seconded, to go into closed session per Iowa Code § 2.5 (c) to discuss Toft abatement and Oakley request. ALL AYED. CLOSED SESSION BEGAN 6:35pm. Jacobsen moved, Weihs seconded, to go into open session. ALL AYED. OPEN SESSION BEGAN 7:10pm. Hocker moved, Jacobsen seconded, to authorize the City Attorney to draft a letter with offer to Oakley. ALL AYED.
**Griffith**- asked Chief Starmer if it was possible to get the DOT to do another study on truck traffic by Waspy’s to change the speed limit. There had been complaints from truckers that traffic is moving too fast for them to safely enter the highway. Starmer explained that the DOT will wait one year after opening to do a study, and at that time they will make a decision.
**Hocker-** He is working on a rental property ordinance. He is getting input for landlords.

adjourn at 7:15p.m. ALL AYED.

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 Barbara Jacobsen, Mayor

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Joseph Foran, City Clerk