

City of Fertile

City Council Meeting Minutes

May 19 2009, 7:00 PM, City Hall

Call to Order & Roll Call

Present were: Mayor Joyce Russell, Council Members: Jeff Berg, Penny Miller, Cindy Peters, Pat Renchin, Maintenance Manager Craig Koch and City Clerk Eddie May. Absent was Council Member Tad Miller.

Minutes Approval

- *Cindy motioned, Penny 2nd to approve the April minutes.* Motion Carried.

Mayor's Report

- The City has an approved offer to purchase Hall's Apartments at 202 West Main Street. The offer is contingent upon the reception of a WCDA grant to cover the cost of acquisition. The building would be removed to make way for the City's proposed Community Center and Storm Shelter.
- The City must update our Hazard Mitigation Plan before we can apply for a grant to cover the cost of the Community Center and Storm Shelter. Once the Plan is accepted by FEMA, the city will apply for a series of grants which are projected to cover 100% of the cost for the Community Center and Storm Shelter.
- The Community Center Committee has started the process of creating a Capital Campaign to cover the cost of construction for the Library and City Hall Offices.
- The final bills for the 2008 flood recovery are being submitted to FEMA and will allow the City to collect the remaining State funds.
- On May 14th, Mayor Russell presented the Worth County Development Authority (WCDA) scholarships to our seniors at Forest City High School. 10 Worth County students attending FCHS each received \$6,161.18 to be applied to college tuition, fees and books.
- The little red mill, used for parades, fell apart when it was moved. It is unfortunately no longer available for parades.
- Dave Haugen will spray the thistles out at the Lagoon as requested by the DNR.
- Two manholes, two new pumps, and a generator, for the Water Plant have been ordered. They are being paid for through a grant awarded by the Worth County Development Authority (WCDA).

City Clerk's Report

- Eddie presented the April financials.
- The following statistics report the % of budgeted revenue received year-to-date as well as the % of budgeted expenses spent year-to-date: (we are 83% of the way through the fiscal year)

	General	Roads	Landfill	Sewer	Water
Income	92%	71%	85%	80%	79%
Expense	123%	41.5%	71%	24%	67%

- *Jeff motioned, Cindy 2nd to approve the April Expenses.* Motion Carried.

Maintenance Report

- The City's well pump has been dragging and needs to be replaced. The City has a backup pump and it will be inspected to see if it can be used as a temporary replacement until a new one can be purchased.
- Craig and Penny will be contacting landscapers to receive quotes for smoothing the ditches along West Washington after Nettleton Excavating has dug them out.
- Nettleton Excavating will be in town within the next few weeks to replace the two manholes and to perform some ditch repairs before the new roads can be put in.
- The new roads should be going in during June or July.

Committee Reports

- Streets & Signs – the wind has played a number on several speed limit signs throughout town. The speed limits are in effect, even if the sign is damaged. The signs will be fixed soon.

- Weeds & Garbage – a few residents who have not been mowing their lawns will be given a deadline before the City will mow their lawn. The charge for each incident is \$55.

Other Business

- Speeding and reckless driving has become an issue within City Limits. The Council would like to ask all residents to report incidents to the Worth County Sheriff at 800-458-1234. Mayor Russell will ask the Sheriff's Department for increased enforcement.

Upcoming Meetings

- The Fertile City Council will meet at 7:00PM in regular session, June 16, 2009, at Fertile City Hall.

Adjourn - Pat moved, Jeff 2nd to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.

City of Fertile Expenditures and Revenues As of April 30, 2009

Type	Name	Paid Amount
General Fund Accounts		
General Fund Checking		
Bill Pmt -Check	Alliant Energy	-1,156.81
Bill Pmt -Check	Hawkins, Inc.	-10.00
Bill Pmt -Check	IRS	-364.43
Bill Pmt -Check	Kramer Ace Hardware	-67.43
Bill Pmt -Check	Larsen Plumbing & Heating	-702.34
Bill Pmt -Check	Municipal Managemnet Corp.	-650.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Pronto	-82.46
Bill Pmt -Check	Russell, Joyce V	-72.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Waste Management	-1,834.30
Bill Pmt -Check	WCTA	-136.66
Bill Pmt -Check	Advantage Business Solutions	-240.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Alliant Energy	-1,112.72
Bill Pmt -Check	Alltel	-59.62
Bill Pmt -Check	Black Hills Energy	-517.34
Bill Pmt -Check	Hare Electric	-1,246.28
Bill Pmt -Check	Kramer Ace Hardware	-41.15
Bill Pmt -Check	LGI	-11.00
Bill Pmt -Check	UPS	-11.55
Bill Pmt -Check	Yaggy Colby Associates	-9,496.00
Check	Fertile Fire Department V	-2,750.00
Check	Fertile Public Library V	-4,339.50
Check	First State Bank	-2,455.15
Check	Severson, Tim	-150.00
Check	Lundgren, Ken & Randa (Rental)	-150.00
Check	First State Bank	-1.34
Check	Legler, Mark	-204.00
Deposit		185.53
Deposit		2,381.22
Deposit		5,406.01
Deposit		6,253.12
Deposit		4,169.83
Deposit		3,072.18
Deposit		20,002.78
Deposit		21.56
Liability Check	IRS	-1,437.94
Liability Check	Treasurer - State of Iowa	-159.00
Liability Check	IPERS	-325.20
Paycheck	Bruns, Warren	-308.87
Paycheck	Koch, Craig A.	-1,443.52
Paycheck	May III, Edgar F.	-779.07
Paycheck	Russell, Joyce	-531.32
Sales Tax Payment	Iowa Department of Revenue and Financ	-896.00
Total General Fund Checking		<u>7,749.23</u>
Total General Fund Accounts		<u>7,749.23</u>
Roads Revenue Fund Savings		
Deposit		<u>9.47</u>
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Water Revenue Fund Checking		
Deposit		<u>1.78</u>
Total Water Revenue Fund Checking		<u>1.78</u>
Sewage Revenue Fund Checking		
Deposit		<u>3.96</u>
Total Sewage Revenue Fund Checking		<u>3.96</u>
TOTAL		<u><u>7,764.44</u></u>