

# City of Fertile

## City Council Meeting Minutes

December 15, 2009, 7:00 PM, City Hall

### Call to Order & Roll Call

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

### Minutes Approval

- **Jeff motioned, Pat 2nd to approve the November minutes.** Motion Carried.

### Mayor's Report

- A big thank you to Hare Electric for helping the City put up the Christmas lights down Main Street!
- Water Tower Paint & Repair was unable to clean the water tower prior to the cold weather. We are on their schedule for the spring.
- The snow has finally hit ☺ Please drive carefully.
- Craig asks that residents try to keep driveway snow out of the streets, especially if the plow has already gone through.
- The City sold an old pump to Three Fingers Campground for \$350
- A Street light was replaced near the County Shed. Please let City Hall know if you witness a burnt out light at anytime.
- The City is in the process of closing on the purchase of the Hall Apartments next to the library. Once the building is empty, the City will inspect for and remove any hazardous materials before Brian Nettleton Excavating will tear-down the building. All of this is being paid for by a Worth County Development Authority grant.
- The Worth County Development Authority (WCDA) is purchasing new office furniture for the Director. They have donated the original furniture to the City of Fertile. We will receive the furniture once their new furniture comes in.

### City Clerk's Report

- Eddie presented the November financials.
- The following statistics report the % of budgeted revenue received year-to-date as well as the % of budgeted expenses spent year-to-date (42% of year).

	General	Roads	Landfill	Sewer	Water
Income	47.47%	45.95%	41.82%	42.64%	43.70%
Expense	36.46%	75.07%	42.22%	35.09%	46.78%

(The Roads Fund is currently over budget due to the City's portion of the new road surfacing done in July.)

- The City currently has a \$2,058.38 Net Income for the fiscal year.
- **Tad motioned, Cindy 2nd to approve the November Expenses.** Motion Carried.
- Discussion regarding penalties for bounced utility payment checks. **Jeff motioned, Pat 2nd to approve raising the current penalty of \$10 to \$20 and to require a deposit of \$150 for anyone who has had 3 or more NSF checks within any 12 month period.** Motion Carried.
- Eddie presented the following utility bills for lien/Small Claims Court approval: 105 Hill Street \$197.34, 504 W Washington \$612.52, 501 W Washington \$348.50, 201 S 1<sup>st</sup> St \$106.12, 308 W Main \$293.42. **Tad motioned, Penny 2nd to approve the preceding liens/small claims.** Motion Carried.
- Budget discussions began. Overall budget guidelines should reflect: frozen wages, increased IPERS rates, stable or trimmed department budgets, increased electric & gas expenses. Priorities include parks, roads and the community center.

### Upcoming Meetings

- The Fertile Days Committee will meet at 7:00PM, January 12, 2010, at City Hall.
- The Housing Committee will meet at 7:00PM, January 14, 2010, at City Hall.
- The Fertile City Council will meet at 7:00PM in regular session, January 19, 2010, at Fertile City Hall. Budgets will be discussed at this meeting.

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

## City of Fertile Expenditures and Revenues As of November 30, 2009

Type	Name	Paid Amount
<b>General Fund Accounts</b>		
<b>General Fund Checking</b>		
Bill Pmt -Check	Alliant Energy	-980.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Allied Insurance	-100.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Hawkins, Inc.	-10.00
Bill Pmt -Check	IFACWSRF	-2,505.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Larsen Plumbing & Heating	-73.82
Bill Pmt -Check	LGI	-42.75
Bill Pmt -Check	NIACOG	-300.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Pronto	-151.33
Bill Pmt -Check	UPS	-32.35
Bill Pmt -Check	Waste Management	-1,834.30
Bill Pmt -Check	WCTA	-140.50
Bill Pmt -Check	North Iowa Media Group	-168.10
Bill Pmt -Check	Black Hills Energy	-175.35
Bill Pmt -Check	Fertile Reminder	-8.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Le Doux Signs	-85.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Miller's Diesel and Automotive	-1,187.78
Bill Pmt -Check	Shropshire, Larry V	-75.00
Bill Pmt -Check	UPS	-34.17
Bill Pmt -Check	Verizon Wireless	-52.08
Bill Pmt -Check	Worth County Sheriff's Office	-90.90
Bill Pmt -Check	Evelyn Elthon v	-83.38
Bill Pmt -Check	Lois Low	-106.39
Bill Pmt -Check	Marilyn Bang	-91.54
Bill Pmt -Check	Ruth Rhodes	-83.38
Bill Pmt -Check	Worth County Auditor	-42.43
Check	First State Bank	-2,455.15
Check	Russell, Joyce V	-29.95
Check	Frank's Repair	-150.00
Check	US Post Office	-72.00
Check	Swingen, Kara	-150.00
Check	Russell, Joyce V	-69.80
Check	Haugen, William	-80.45
Deposit		3,681.99
Deposit		4,057.79
Deposit		6,843.01
Deposit		3,274.78
Deposit		367.11
Deposit	Treasurer - Worth County	4,764.57
Deposit	Diamond Joe Casino	2,340.80
Deposit	PayPal	0.23
Deposit		41.75
Paycheck	Bruns, Warren	-308.17
Paycheck	Koch, Craig A.	-1,013.17
Paycheck	May III, Edgar F.	-810.47
Paycheck	Russell, Joyce	-722.62
Total General Fund Checking		<b>11,056.70</b>
Total General Fund Accounts		<b>11,056.70</b>
<b>Roads Revenue Fund Savings</b>		
Deposit		9.53
Total Roads Revenue Fund Savings		<b>9.53</b>
<b>Water Fund Accounts</b>		
Deposit		3.10
Total Water Fund Accounts		<b>3.10</b>
<b>Sewage Fund Accounts</b>		
Deposit		6.88
Total Sewage Fund Accounts		<b>6.88</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>11,076.21</b>