

# City of Fertile

## City Council Meeting Minutes

October 18, 2011 - 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 & Pat Renchin; Maintenance Managers: Buck Russell & Steve Roberts & City Clerk Eddie May.
- Jeff motioned, Cindy 2nd to approve the Sept. Minutes.* Carried.

### Mayor's Report

- Joyce attended an Emergency Management meeting discussing the new video laser scanning of the Northwood schools. The scan uses GIS to produce a 3D view of the building.
- At the same meeting, it was announced that all emergency radios must be converted to the narrow band devices by Jan. 2013. The City increased the Fire Dept.'s budget to cover the cost of new radios.
- At a special closed meeting held on Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, the Council hired Steve Roberts as the new Maintenance Manager. Steve started on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October and has been doing a great job!
- The City would like to thank Buck Russell for filling in during the interim. Buck will remain as a back-up for Steve. Buck-You Rock!!!
- Thank you letters have been sent to all applicants who applied.
- There will be a wedding in the Park on October 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Porta-Poties will be taken out of the Park, and Ballfields, during the second week of November.
- Someone broke-in and vandalized an empty house last week. If anyone has any information, please contact the Sheriff.
- A tier 3 registered sex offender has recently moved into town. Information can be found at [www.iowasexoffender.com](http://www.iowasexoffender.com).
- Clapper Tree Service removed 4 rotting trees from the park.
- There will be Sheriff's sales on 11/15/11 for 103 W. Washington. And on 1/10/12 for 207 E. Main. Info is available at the Courthouse.
- A City election for Mayor and 2 Council seats will be held on Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>. Joyce is the only registered candidate for Mayor, and Jeff Berg, Cindy Peters, and Julie Jessen are running for the Council seats.

### City Clerk's Report

- Eddie presented the Sept. Financials (25% through the year)

	General	Roads	Water	Sewer	Landfill	Total (incl.
<b>Income</b>	11%	29%	35%	37%	38%	<i>non-budget</i>
<b>Expense</b>	15%	10%	25%	37%	25%	<i>items</i> )
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-\$6,521</b>	<b>\$5,710</b>	<b>\$6,950</b>	<b>\$4,274</b>	<b>\$3,745</b>	<b>-\$10,642</b>

- Penny motioned, Cindy 2nd to approve Sept. bills.* Motion Carried.

### City Maintenance Report

- The shut-off valve at the water plant was recently replaced. The valve was under warranty, and Nettleton Excavating donated their time to install the new valve. THANKS BRIAN!!!
- The meter on the well (Installed in 1979) gave out. The City has ordered a new one and Larsen's will install it. The cost of the meter is \$1840 plus delivery and installation.
- The lightning damage to the sewer plant has been fixed and turned into the insurance company. City has a \$500 deductible.
- Buck, Warren, and Steve have been draining the lagoons per DNR regulations, in preparation for the winter.
- A fuel sensor gave out on the skid loader, so North Central Sales is replacing the skid loader!
- Larsen Plumbing & Heating has been installing new water meters. They are contacting residents to schedule times to do the work.

### Committee Reports

- Streets & Signs – the Garden Club's fall decorations look great, but need to be careful not to cover up street signs.
- Parks – we need to write some spring grants for trees.
- Housing – Dwight and Mickie Harlan's work is complete. Doris Anderson's is in progress.

### Upcoming Meetings

- The Fertile City Council will meet in regular session at 7:00PM, Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011, at Fertile City Hall.
- Pat moved and Cindy 2nd to adjourn the meeting.* Motion Carried.

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
<b>Checking</b>					
Deposit	09/06/2011			Deposit	488.18
Deposit	09/06/2011			Deposit	3,370.67
Deposit	09/06/2011			Deposit	102,805.00
Check	09/06/2011		PeopleSmart	Background Check	-29.95
Deposit	09/07/2011			Deposit	1,132.23
Bill Pmt -Check	09/07/2011	5728	Hawkins, Inc.	Chlorine	-10.00
Bill Pmt -Check	09/07/2011	5729	Larsen Plumbing & Heating	Water Meters / Maint Bldg	-646.14
Bill Pmt -Check	09/07/2011	5730	Mason City Rentals	Fertile Days	-25.00
Bill Pmt -Check	09/07/2011	5731	Municipal Supply, Inc.	12 new meters	-1,104.00
Bill Pmt -Check	09/07/2011	5732	North Iowa Media Group	Fertile Days	-110.20
Bill Pmt -Check	09/07/2011	5733	Pronto	Gas and Fertile Days Supplies	-117.85
Bill Pmt -Check	09/07/2011	5734	Sign Pro	Comm Center/City Hall Signs	-933.00
Bill Pmt -Check	09/07/2011	5735	Waste Management	Landfill/Garbage	-1,918.58
Bill Pmt -Check	09/07/2011	5736	WCTA	Telephone/Internet	-144.62
Bill Pmt -Check	09/07/2011	5737	Meyerhofer Construction	Housing Grant	-6,502.00
Paycheck	09/07/2011	5743	May III, Edgar F.		-829.79
Paycheck	09/07/2011	5741	Russell, Grant		-1,152.89
Paycheck	09/07/2011	5742	Russell, Joyce		-742.57
Paycheck	09/07/2011	5739	Bruns, Warren		-308.31
Bill Pmt -Check	09/07/2011	5738	Advantage Business Solutions, Inc.	Accounting help	-180.00
Liability Check	09/07/2011	iQue	IPERS		-482.30
Check	09/08/2011	5744	US Post Office	postcard stamps	-70.18
Check	09/12/2011	5754	PeopleSmart	Background Check	-29.95
Deposit	09/13/2011			Deposit	154.76
Deposit	09/14/2011			Deposit	2,647.49
Bill Pmt -Check	09/14/2011	5745	Black Hills Energy	Natural Gas	-103.48
Bill Pmt -Check	09/14/2011	5746	BMC Aggregates L.C.	City Hall/Comm. Center Parking	-773.34
Bill Pmt -Check	09/14/2011	5747	Sign Pro	Installation charge	-375.00
Bill Pmt -Check	09/14/2011	5748	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	-42.87
Bill Pmt -Check	09/14/2011	5750	Bates Bros. Construction	Housing Grant	-6,764.00
Deposit	09/15/2011			Deposit	5,971.19
Check	09/15/2011	5751	USPS	postage	-102.00
Check	09/18/2011	5745	First Security Bank & Trust	CC Loan	-2,500.00
Deposit	09/20/2011			Deposit	1,825.60
Check	09/20/2011		PeopleSmart	Background Check	-29.95
Check	09/20/2011		PeopleSmart	Background Check	-29.95
Deposit	09/21/2011			Deposit	2,511.42
Deposit	09/21/2011			Deposit	8,090.00
Deposit	09/21/2011			Deposit	6,502.00
Deposit	09/28/2011			Deposit	7,187.69
Bill Pmt -Check	09/28/2011	5752	Alliant Energy	Electric Bill	-1,127.06
Bill Pmt -Check	09/28/2011	5753	NIACOG	Housing Grant	-5,600.00
Bill Pmt -Check	09/28/2011	5754	UPS	Water/Sewer Testing	-10.11
Check	09/28/2011		Fertile Days	Fertile Days Adjustment	0.00
Check	09/28/2011		Fertile Days	Fertile Days Adjustment	0.00
Deposit	09/30/2011			Interest	32.07
Check	09/30/2011			Fertile Days Adjustment	0.00
Total General Fund Accounts					109,923.21
<b>Roads Revenue Accounts</b>					
Deposit	09/30/2011			Interest	15.32
Total Roads Revenue Accounts					15.32
<b>Water Revenue Accounts</b>					
Deposit	09/30/2011			Interest	9.06
Total Water Revenue Accounts					9.06
<b>Sewer Revenue Accounts</b>					
Deposit	09/30/2011			Interest	10.98
Total Sewer Revenue Accounts					10.98
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>109,958.57</b>