

# City of Fertile

## City Council Meeting Minutes

June 20, 2006, 7:00 PM, City Hall

### 1.) Call to Order

The Fertile City Council met at 7:00 PM in regular session, June 20, 2006, at Fertile City Hall.

### 2.) Roll Call

Present were: Mayor Joyce Russell, Council members Jeff Berg, Tad Miller, Gail Shropshire, Patrick Renchin and City Clerk Eddie May. Absent: Council member Melanne Bang.

### 3.) Minutes Approval

*Berg moved and Renchin 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the May minutes. Motion Carried.*

### 4.) Public Hearing on the SRF Loan

The Public Hearing to review the City's application for a State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) loan from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources was opened by the mayor at 7:05 p.m. The mayor reviewed the City's sewer plan which included information relating to proposed improvements to the sanitary sewer collection system. It was reported that anticipated project costs were estimated to be \$476,600. The project will be partially funded with a \$300,000.00 Community Development Block Grant with the remaining costs to be financed with the SRF Loan. In addition to the proposed sewer improvements, the SRF loan will also be used to refinance \$160,000 in existing USDA – Rural Development debt that still is outstanding. The total SRF loan amount that has been applied for is \$340,000.00. The interest rate is 3.25%.

The City Clerk reported that there had been no written comments or concerns filed prior to the hearing.

There being no oral questions from the public at this hearing, the hearing was closed at 7:35 p.m.

In Attendance: City Officials as stated above, along with Residents: Evelyn Elthon of Fertile and Julie Jesson of Fertile.

### 5.) Vandalism Within the City

- Several reports of vandalism have been turned into the Worth County Sherriff's office this last month. The William Rhodes Island Park sign has been stolen. Garden Club Flowers have been uprooted and deposited into the Post Office Mailbox. Mail boxes in town have had their doors opened and flags raised, with mail reported missing. Trespassing of personal residences has occurred, along with defecation of property and unauthorized long distance phone calls have been placed. The electrical systems within the park have also been vandalized.
- The Worth County Sherriff's department has increased their patrol as a means to curtail this activity. The City is asking residents to keep their eyes open for possible illegal activity. If suspicious activity is noticed, please contact the Sherriff's Department immediately, so they can investigate. (800-458-1234)

### 6.) William Rhodes Signage Replacement

- The sign will be replaced before the Anniversary.

### 7.) City Pick-up Truck

- The City will be replacing the City Truck after an inspection by an independent mechanic. Look for Warren in the new truck on the roads soon.

### 8.) Winn-Worth Betco Advisory Board Representative

- Council Member Tad Miller will represent the City of Fertile on the Winn-Worth Betco Advisory Board.

### 9.) Discussion on the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

- Things are falling into place. Schedules as well as promotional flyers are now available.
- 38 volunteers are still needed to take 2 hour shifts assisting with games, cleaning, and other activities. Contact Kristen Anderson at 797-2615 to sign-up.

- Buttons, T-Shirts, Raffell Tickets, etc. are on sale now. Purchase of a button until July 15<sup>th</sup> will earn you a free meal during the festivities. Contact Kristen Anderson for more information.

### 10.) Mayor's Report

- A team of dedicated citizens, including Kenneth Strohman, Buck and Joyce Russell, Warren Bruns and Chris Anderson, working with Clapper Tree Service, have cleared out most of the dead trees and branches from the Island Park. THANK YOU FOR A GREAT JOB DONE!!!!

### 11.) City Clerk's Report

- Presented a Monthly Profit and Loss report.
- Presented a YTD Profit and Loss Actual vs. Budget report.

### 12.) Approve Expenditures

*Berg moved, Renchin 2nd to approve the expenditures. Motion Carried.*

### 13.) Upcoming Meetings

The Fertile City Council will meet at 7:00 PM in regular session, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2006, at Fertile City Hall.

### 14.) Adjourn

*Berg moved, Renchin 2<sup>nd</sup> to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.*

City of Fertile Expenditures and Revenues As of May 31, 2006		
Type	Name	Paid Amount
<b>0001110 - General Fund Checking</b>		
Bill Pmt -Check	Alliant Energy	-905.38
Bill Pmt -Check	Aquila	-444.03
Bill Pmt -Check	Brian Nettleton Excavating, Inc.	-5,600.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Five Star CO-OP	-16.59
Bill Pmt -Check	Hawkins, Inc.	-5.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Larsen Plumbing & Heating	-11.80
Bill Pmt -Check	LGI	-106.30
Bill Pmt -Check	Menards	-69.98
Bill Pmt -Check	Midwest Pipe Supply	-174.65
Bill Pmt -Check	Pronto	-100.69
Bill Pmt -Check	Staples	-68.58
Bill Pmt -Check	UPS	-29.05
Bill Pmt -Check	USA Blue Book	-35.87
Bill Pmt -Check	Waste Management	-3,768.72
Bill Pmt -Check	Watertower Paint & Repair	-1,250.00
Bill Pmt -Check	WCTA	-113.54
Bill Pmt -Check	Winntech Central	-139.99
Bill Pmt -Check	Hare Electric	-501.23
Bill Pmt -Check	Hawkins, Inc.	-5.00
Bill Pmt -Check	North Iowa Media Group	-44.44
Bill Pmt -Check	Pronto	-37.45
Bill Pmt -Check	Aquila	-184.38
Bill Pmt -Check	Crescent Moon, LLC	-120.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Menards	-88.77
Bill Pmt -Check	UPS	-22.70
Bill Pmt -Check	Vorland Masonry & Concrete	-5,292.00
Bill Pmt -Check	IMWCA	-2,118.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Midwest Pipe Supply	-418.07
Bill Pmt -Check	USDA	-35,688.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Alliant Energy	-973.32
Bill Pmt -Check	Staples	-7.64
Check	Renchin, Pat C	-100.00
Check	Zehnder, Delbert	-150.00
Check	Jessen, Keith & Julie	-150.00
Check	Thompson, James	-150.00
Check	Schermer, Mike & Ann	-150.00
Check	Johnson, Russell	-150.00
Check	Knapper Oil, Inc.	-150.00
Check	Russell, Joyce	-27.42
Check	Bruns, Warren	-5.01
Deposit		3,121.59
Deposit		4,534.26
Deposit		3,702.88
Deposit		4,063.39
Deposit		1,526.62
Deposit	Treasurer - Worth County	1,979.19
Deposit		37.40
Paycheck	Bruns, Warren	-1,376.72
Paycheck	Ganz, Dennis	-53.19
Paycheck	Low, David	-300.41
Paycheck	May III, Edgar F	-441.13
Paycheck	Russell, Grant	-93.08
Total 0001110 - General Fund Checking		-42,672.80
<b>0001111 - Sewage Revenue Fund Checking</b>		
Deposit		3.55
Total 0001111 - Sewage Revenue Fund Checking		3.55
<b>0001112 - Water Revenue Fund Checking</b>		
Deposit		2.40
Total 0001112 - Water Revenue Fund Checking		2.40
<b>0001160 - Money Market Savings</b>		
Deposit		150.00
Deposit		26.61
Total 0001160 - Money Market Savings		176.61
		<b>-42,490.24</b>

### Minutes Attested by:

Eddie May  
City Clerk

Dated  
6/21/06