

City of Fertile

City Council Meeting Minutes

July 18, 2006, 7:00 PM, City Hall

1.) Call to Order

The Fertile City Council met at 7:00 PM in regular session, July 18, 2006, at Fertile City Hall.

2.) Roll Call

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

3.) Minutes Approval

Shropshire moved and Berg 2nd to approve the May minutes. Motion Carried.

4.) Voortek Auto Repair – School Property

The gymnasium will be torn down and buried as soon as the excavator's schedule allows, as long as it is financially feasible. The remaining structure will be secured once the demolition has been completed. Voortek will not be placing vehicles outside the building. Business assets will be secured inside the building. Voortek requested a variance to allow the excavator to place the gymnasium waste onto City property while demolition is taking place. City property will be returned to its original status once demolition has been completed.

Berg moved and Renchin 2nd to approve a temporary variance to City property surrounding 508 West Washington, for demolition purposes. Motion Carried.

5.) Yaggy-Colby – City Sewer Project Update

Yaggy-Colby was not in attendance. A special Council meeting may be held to approve the next stages of the project.

6.) Liens Against Properties

May requested the Council to pass a motion to place liens against 2 properties in Fertile which are considerably delinquent with their water/sewer/refuse bill. The liens will go against next year's tax assessment. In the event that either property were to be sold prior to payment, the liens must be paid before the properties can be sold.

Renchin moved and Shropshire 2nd to approve the placing of individual liens against 205 East Main Street and against 501 West Washington. The roll call vote was unanimous. Motion Carried.

7.) Update on the 150th Anniversary

- The FB&I committee has arranged for power to be supplied for the 6 food vendors whom will be present.
- The City had pledged \$500 toward the celebration. Mayor Russell has secured the rental of picnic tables for the park activities with this money.
- Ambulance service will be provided by Forest City Ambulance. They will be in the parade and will have at least one representative within City limits during the 3 days of activity.
- There will be an extra special surprise at the beginning of the parade. You don't want to miss it!
- Volunteers are still needed for several activity spots – call Kristen Anderson at 797-2615 to see where you can help out.

8.) Mayor's Report

- A team of dedicated citizens, including Larry & Gail Shropshire, Cindy Peters, Jeff Berg, Buck and Joyce Russell, and Warren Bruns volunteered time in the Park this month. They worked on: restoring the veteran's memorial, restoring the grinding stone, restoring the water pump, placing rock around the shelter houses, trimming trees, spraying weeds, and weed whacking. THANK YOU FOR A GREAT JOB DONE!!!!
- The City will be spraying for bugs on July 21st, July 28th, and August 3rd.
- Dick Worsley volunteered and repaired the plug-ins on each light pole on the bridge. THANKS DICK!!!!
- Two bids were presented to the Council for a remodeling project required by a Federal mandate. All public buildings must be handicap accessible. The project will include replacing the

existing front door, installing two handicap accessible doors into the meeting hall, and remodeling the two existing restrooms into one handicap accessible restroom.

Renchin moved and Shropshire 2nd to approve the bid placed by Cherry Tree Builders for the handicap accessible remodeling project at City Hall, with the stipulation that the project must be completed by October 1st with a \$200 per day penalty for work not completed. Role call vote: Bang, Shropshire and Renchin, Yes, Berg abstained. Motion Carried.

9.) City Clerk's Report

- Financials have been completed for the Fiscal Year 2005-2006. A copy of the financials will be mailed to the auditor within the next week. After adjustments are made, and audit can be scheduled.
- Presented a Monthly Profit and Loss report.
- Presented a YTD Profit and Loss Actual vs. Budget report.
- Presented a Balance Sheet for Year End.

10.) City Maintenance Report

- The DNR recently inspected our water/sewer system and stated that other than planned sewer system project repairs, we are in compliance with regulations. (It's been a long time since we've heard that kind of report!)
- The chlorine regulator began leaking this last month. A new regulator has been ordered. It is slated to be replaced within the next few weeks.
- Several curb stops within City limits are scheduled to be repaired or replaced. The cost of this maintenance will be billed to the resident.
- A water leak at the curb stop within the Ball Diamonds has been repaired.
- Sewer system video footage was reviewed by Bruns, Mayor Russell, and Yaggy-Colby. They revealed two sections needing emergency repair. Bruns worked with Nettleton Excavating to fix these problems.

11.) Approve Expenditures

Bang moved, Shropshire 2nd to approve the expenditures. Motion Carried.

12.) Committee Reports

- Streets and Signs** – The Fire Department is asking residents to please keep the access areas to all fire hydrants clear of all yard debris.
- Weeds and Garbage** – In light of the upcoming anniversary this will include, we are asking all residents to please keep their lawns and properties trimmed and clear of debris. We want to make a great impression for all our guests!

13.) Other Business

The gate in the City Dam has rotted through and the Dam is backlogged with fallen trees, silt and other debris. The possibility of dredging behind the Dam will be investigated by Warren Bruns and Mayor Russell.

Bang moved and Renchin 2nd to grant emergency power to Mayor Russell to approve the cost of said repair work. Motion Carried.

14.) Upcoming Meetings

The Fertile City Council will meet at 7:00 PM in regular session, August 15th, 2006, at Fertile City Hall.

15.) Adjourn

Berg moved, Renchin 2nd to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes Attested by:

Eddie May
City Clerk

Dated
7/19/06

City of Fertile
Expenditures and Revenues
As of June 30, 2006

Type	Name	Paid Amount
0001110 - General Fund Checking		
Bill Pmt -Check	Crescent Moon, LLC	-120.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Five Star CO-OP	-18.18
Bill Pmt -Check	LGI	-87.80
Bill Pmt -Check	North Iowa Media Group	-14.94
Bill Pmt -Check	Pronto	-74.92
Bill Pmt -Check	WCTA	-113.24
Bill Pmt -Check	Hawkins, Inc.	-5.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Iowa One Call	-18.90
Bill Pmt -Check	UPS	-18.10
Bill Pmt -Check	US Post Office	-38.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Waste Management	-1,884.36
Bill Pmt -Check	Waupaca Northwoods. LLC	-72.23
Bill Pmt -Check	Sign Pro	-147.50
Bill Pmt -Check	Ace Hardware	-71.38
Bill Pmt -Check	Alliant Energy	-803.68
Bill Pmt -Check	Aquila	-122.47
Bill Pmt -Check	BMC	-1,500.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Clapper Tree Service	-1,600.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Hawkins, Inc.	-245.50
Bill Pmt -Check	Iowa League of Citities	-228.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Iowa Rural Water Association	-10.00
Bill Pmt -Check	USA Blue Book	-80.90
Check	US Post Office	-48.00
Check	US Post Office	-63.00
Deposit		5,936.60
Deposit		2,235.49
Deposit		4,831.30
Deposit	Diamond Joe Casino	1,666.63
Deposit	Treasurer - Worth County	978.57
Deposit		23.42
Paycheck	Bruns, Warren	-1,283.39
Paycheck	Ganz, Dennis	-53.19
Paycheck	Low, David	-300.41
Paycheck	May III, Edgar F	-389.50
Paycheck	Russell, Grant	-391.49
Total 0001110 - General Fund Checking		<u>5,867.93</u>
0001111 - Sewage Revenue Fund Checking		
Deposit		<u>3.43</u>
Total 0001111 - Sewage Revenue Fund Checking		3.43
0001112 - Water Revenue Fund Checking		
Deposit		<u>2.32</u>
Total 0001112 - Water Revenue Fund Checking		2.32
0001160 - Roads Revenue Fund Savings		
Deposit		<u>25.94</u>
Total 0001160 - Roads Revenue Fund Savings		<u>25.94</u>
TOTAL		<u><u>5,899.62</u></u>