

City of Fertile

City Council Meeting Minutes

December 18, 2007, 7:00 PM, City Hall

1.) Call to Order

The Fertile City Council met at 7:00 PM in regular session, December 18, 2007, at Fertile City Hall.

2.) Roll Call

Present were: Mayor Joyce Russell, Council Members: Jeff Berg, Tad Miller, Pat Renchin Gail Shropshire, City Manager Warren Bruns, and City Clerk Eddie May. Absent were: Council Member Loren Hoffman.

3.) Minutes Approval

• *Berg motioned and Shropshire 2nd to approve the November minutes.* Motion Carried.

4.) Mayor's Report

- The City would like to thank Loren Hoffman for stepping into the open council seat mid-term. We will miss his input on the Council. Thank you Loren!!!
- Hare Electric put up the Christmas decorations down Main Street. Thanks guys!!!
- Alliant Energy replaced two street lights that had gone out.
- The City received \$79,551.98 from the Worth County Development Authority to purchase a Fire Truck Chassis and to upgrade the computers at the Library. Stop by the Library and check out the new computers!
- Larson Plumbing & Heating have been installing water meters for the City, since Warren's injury. Please allow them in to perform this service; the City will pay the expense.
- Please be aware of the Snow Ordinance. The Ordinance is posted at the Library, the Post Office and is available at City Hall. Any damage caused to property due to failure to comply with the ordinance is the responsibility of the owner.
- The City has received payment in full for a garnishment against wages for past due city utility bills.
- The City is prepared to take legal action against two City residents for failure to comply with City Ordinances regarding property safety and beautification. The City requires residents to keep their property clear of refuse, maintain siding and shingling. The City will be addressing several properties this spring.

5.) City Clerk's Report

- May was not prepared with Novembers' Financials – they will be presented at January's meeting.
- The Council began the 08-09 budgeting process.

6.) City Maintenance Report

- Matt Olson has been doing a great job of plowing snow – thanks Matt!!!
- The County will wing out the roadways as the snow deepens – they have been unable to wing it out do the damage the ice would cause to property.
- Next fall, the City will need to trim several trees and bushes to assist in the snow removal process.

7.) Committee Reports

- The new assignments for next year's committees are as follows:

- Streets & Signs: Renchin & Peters
- Parks: Shropshire & Berg
- Water & Sewer: Berg & Renchin
- Weeds & Garbage: Shropshire & Peters
- Building Permits: Miller
- Community Center: May

8.) Upcoming Meetings

- The Fertile City Council will meet at 7:00PM in regular session, January 15, 2008, at Fertile City Hall.
- Budget discussions will continue at this meeting. All City budgets must be presented prior to this meeting.
- A public hearing on the proposed budget will be held at the February 19, 2008 Council Meeting at Fertile City Hall.

9.) Adjourn - Shropshire moved, Berg 2nd to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.



**Merry
Christmas**

**Happy
New
Year's**

