

# City of Fertile

## City Council Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2009, 7:00 PM, City Hall

### Call to Order & Roll Call

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

### Minutes Approval

- **Berg motioned, Peters 2nd to approve the February minutes.** Motion Carried.

### Jose Rivas – Yaggy Colby – Community Center/Library

- Jose Rivas presented the 2<sup>nd</sup> draft for the proposed Community Center/Library/City Hall facility. The proposed facility will triple the current library space including dedicated area for children, teens and adults. The library area will also include a small study room and a Librarian's office. The proposed facility will also include three rooms for City Hall including offices for the Mayor, City Clerk and a storage room for archived records. The proposed facility also includes a Community Room large enough to seat 180-220 people. The Community Center will include a commercial kitchen and will double as a Tornado Safe Room. The architectural renderings will be available on the website this weekend.
- May presented information on available funding for the facility. The City intends on applying for an Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management grant. The State of Iowa has \$251 million available for projects such as this. The City will also pursue other grants to supplement what the HSEM grant may not cover. The City has no intention on pursuing long-term financing or tax money to pay for the facility.
- Once the project has been approved, and funding has been secured, the project will take approximately 10 months to complete.
- Visit the City's website to view more details about the building.

### Mayor's Report

- Gail Shropshire has resigned from the City Council. The Mayor and the Council would like to thank Gail for her service and will miss her valuable input.
- The City will accept *letters of intent to serve* from residents willing to serve their community by filling Gail's Council seat. Gail's term ends December 31, 2009.
- Mayor Russell and Craig took down the remaining winter decorations.
- A new water meter and reader have been installed at Tom Quentin's house.
- Mayor Russell completed a Storm Spotter's class on March 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Three water leaks around town almost drained the City's water tower. If that were to have happened, the entire City would be without water for at least three days. Please monitor your property for water leaks and have them fixed promptly.

- WCTA will sponsor a Kid's Night Peddle Tractor Pull on July 9<sup>th</sup>. More details will be available on the website this weekend.
- Fertile Days is scheduled for the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in August. The event is tentatively scheduled to include a community meal, open air family movie, fireman's breakfast, community church service and Fertile's very first "State of the Community" press conference. More details will be on the website soon.

### City Clerk's Report

- Eddie presented the February financials.
- The following statistics report the % of budgeted revenue received year-to-date as well as the % of budgeted expenses spent year-to-date: (we are 67% of the way through the year)

	General	Roads	Landfill	Sewer	Water
Income	62%	56%	68%	64%	63%
Expense	84%	31%	57%	18%	55%

- **Renchin motioned, Peters 2nd to approve the February Expenses.** Motion Carried.

- May mentioned that he is performing a formal study of the surrounding communities' utility ordinances. He will present the results of the research at next month's Council meeting.

### Upcoming Meetings

- The Fertile City Council will meet at 7:00PM in regular session, April 21, 2009, at Fertile City Hall.

**Adjourn - Berg moved, Miller 2<sup>nd</sup> to adjourn.** Meeting adjourned.

### City of Fertile

Expenditures and Revenues  
As of February 28, 2009

Type	Name	Paid Amount
<b>General Fund Accounts</b>		
<b>General Fund Checking</b>		
Bill Pmt -Check	Alliant Energy	-943.71
Bill Pmt -Check	Alltel	-57.41
Bill Pmt -Check	Hawkins, Inc.	-10.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Larsen Plumbing & Heating	-130.82
Bill Pmt -Check	LGI	-9.80
Bill Pmt -Check	Northwood Anchor, Inc.	-106.37
Bill Pmt -Check	Pronto	-209.21
Bill Pmt -Check	Waste Management	-1,834.30
Bill Pmt -Check	WCTA	-126.84
Bill Pmt -Check	Worth County Sheriff's Office	-2,250.00
Check	First State Bank	-2,455.15
Check	First State Bank	-1.34
Check	Iowa Rural Water Association	-10.00
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Check	Marriott	-221.16
Check	Swanson, Rich	-85.00
Deposit		2,967.47
Deposit		4,833.56
Deposit		7,739.06
Deposit	Diamond Joe Casino	2,026.71
Deposit		346.93
Deposit		17.31
Liability Check	IPERS	-445.21
Paycheck	Bruns, Warren	-308.87
Paycheck	Koch, Craig A.	-1,473.23
Paycheck	May III, Edgar F.	-765.07
Paycheck	Russell, Joyce	-531.32
Total General Fund Checking		<u>5,946.23</u>
Total General Fund Accounts		<u>5,946.23</u>
<b>Roads Revenue Fund Savings</b>		
Deposit		<u>8.83</u>
Total Roads Revenue Fund Savings		<u>8.83</u>
<b>Water Fund Accounts</b>		
Deposit		<u>1.66</u>
Total Water Fund Accounts		<u>1.66</u>
<b>Sewage Fund Accounts</b>		
Deposit		<u>3.70</u>
Total Sewage Fund Accounts		<u>3.70</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<u><u>5,960.42</u></u>