

City of Fertile

City Council Meeting Minutes

May 15, 2012 - 7:00 PM, City Hall

Call to Order & Roll Call

Present were: Mayor Joyce Russell; Council Members: Jeff Berg, Julie Jessen, Penny Miller, & Pat Renchin; Maintenance Manager Steve Roberts & City Clerk Eddie May. Absent was Council Member Tad Miller

• **Pat motioned, Julie 2nd to approve the April Minutes.** Motion Carried.

City Maintenance Report

- Mowing & weed control every day that it hasn't been raining
- Sewer generator hasn't been kicking in, Hare Electric has temporarily fixed it, but the system still needs deeper diagnostics
- Cut-up and started to burn fallen tree at the ball fields
- Installed a park bench at City Hall, donated by Jan Hare & Sisters in memory of their Father: Stan Zirbel.
- Honorariums and memorials at the Community Center/City Hall are welcomed. Please contact City Hall before making arrangements.
- Fixed the issue of flags blowing off light poles on Main.
- Replaced furnace filters in the Library.
- Found 3 water leaks throughout town, in process of having them fixed
- Recent rain has caused sewer lagoons to exceed containment levels. DNR will place fines on the City if this continues. Residents are asked to check their sump pump hoses to be certain they do not flow into the City sewer system.

Community Center / Business Incubator

- Continuing to complete the incubator leasable space – hand railings have been installed in the stair well, half-wall is being sheet rocked.
- Occupant has hired their 1st new employee since moving in.
- Community Center: countertops, plumbing, and electrical will all be done this week. A few more touch-ups will be completed next week. Floors will be waxed on Friday. Deep clean will be done on June 4th.
- Rental rates have been set through December 2012. Rates, per day, for residents will be \$175 plus a \$100 returnable deposit. Rates for non-residents will be \$225 plus a \$100 returnable deposit. There is an additional \$25 charge to set-up the night before or to clean-up the day after an event if available. **Jeff moved, Pat 2nd to approve full day rentals only.** Penny voted against, Motion Carried. Rates will be re-evaluated in November based on actual cost of maintaining the Center and may be adjusted for 2013. Please contact City Hall for more information. **Julie moved, Pat 2nd to approve temporary rates as stated above, to be re-evaluated in November.** Motion Carried.
- There will be an Open House for the Community Center on Thursday June 7th from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. Hors d'oeuvres will be served. The public is invited to attend. Invitations will be sent to all Fertile residents. Price of attendance is one non-perishable food item to be donated to the Worth County Food Bank.

Mayor's Report

- City Clean-up is on Saturday, June 9th from 8 am to noon (or until dumpsters are filled). Dumpsters will be located on Main Street (no early dumping). Appliances can be picked up at your curbside – some for a fee, others for free. Details will be mailed on a postcard to all residents. A stub from that postcard is needed to participate.
- On April 7th, met at Courthouse to update the GIS maps for 911.
- Will present WCDA scholarships to Worth County students in Forest City tomorrow night.

City Clerk's Report

- Eddie presented the April Financials (83% through the year)

	General/Housing	Roads/WCDA	Utilities	Total
Income	\$286,518	\$132,623	\$138,624	\$557,765
Expense	305,607	145,076	136,846	587,529
Total	-19,089	-12,453	1,778	-29,764

Deficit is caused primarily by Housing Grant and Community Center Grant money that has been spent, but has not been reimbursed by the CDBG or the WCDA yet. Eddie anticipates a net income by year end

- **Pat motioned, Penny 2nd to approve April bills.** Motion Carried.
- **Pat motioned, Penny 2nd to remove the following lien: 104 Mill Street for \$270.** Motion Carried. *Lien was paid to the City, rather than the County, so it needed to be cleared from the County's system.*

Upcoming Meetings

- The Fertile City Council will meet in regular session at 7:00PM, Tuesday, June 19th, 2012, at Fertile City Hall. There will be a Public Hearing to amend the Flood Plain Ordinance at this meeting.
- **Julie moved and Jeff 2nd to adjourn the meeting.** Motion Carried.

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3:24 PM

Bills Paid

05/16/2012

As of April 30, 2012

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Accrual Basis Amount
General Fund Accounts					
Check	04/01/2012	6015	Fertile Fire Department V	Quarterly Allocation	-3,500.00
Check	04/01/2012	6016	Fertile Public Library V	Quarterly Payment	-4,750.00
Deposit	04/03/2012			Deposit	2,836.34
Deposit	04/04/2012			Deposit	1,525.74
Bill Pmt -Check	04/04/2012	5986	Advantage Business Solutions, Inc.	Accounting Support	-310.00
Bill Pmt -Check	04/04/2012	5987	CarQuest	Hyfluid for Plow truck	-49.99
Bill Pmt -Check	04/04/2012	5988	Central Lock & Key Inc.	Deadbolt locks/Rekey 2 locks/Keys	-263.61
Bill Pmt -Check	04/04/2012	5989	Kramer Ace Hardware	Mower blades, Carwash equip.	-87.45
Bill Pmt -Check	04/04/2012	5990	Larsen Plumbing & Heating	Install meter/supplies	-119.12
Bill Pmt -Check	04/04/2012	5991	Maguire Iron, Inc.	Clean Watertower	-1,596.50
Bill Pmt -Check	04/04/2012	5992	North Iowa Septic Solutions	2 Handicap Units/1 Portable Zone 2	-215.00
Bill Pmt -Check	04/04/2012	5993	Pronto	Gas for Truck/mower	-105.98
Bill Pmt -Check	04/04/2012	5994	Superior Lumber, Inc	Incubator Materials	-71.22
Bill Pmt -Check	04/04/2012	5995	UPS	Water testing	-144.78
Bill Pmt -Check	04/04/2012	5996	WCTA	Telephone/Internet	-144.98
Bill Pmt -Check	04/04/2012	5997	Bates Bros. Construction	Housing Grant	-17,910.00
Paycheck	04/04/2012	6002	May III, Edgar F.		-647.97
Paycheck	04/04/2012	5998	Bruns, Warren		-311.39
Paycheck	04/04/2012	6001	Russell, Grant		-517.36
Paycheck	04/04/2012	6000	Russell, Joyce		-878.53
Paycheck	04/04/2012	5999	Roberts, Stephen J		-877.51
Deposit	04/04/2012			Deposit	24,098.05
Deposit	04/05/2012			Deposit	1,819.66
Deposit	04/06/2012			Deposit	355.15
Deposit	04/11/2012			Deposit	1,954.48
Bill Pmt -Check	04/11/2012	6003	Hawkins, Inc.	Chlorine	-10.00
Bill Pmt -Check	04/11/2012	6004	Northwood Anchor, Inc.	Incubator Advertising	-144.00
Bill Pmt -Check	04/11/2012	6005	Waste Management	Landfill/Garbage	-1,918.58
Check	04/11/2012	6006	Bruns, David & Lola	Utility Deposit	-150.00
Liability Check	04/11/2012	1Que	IPERS	Payroll Benefits	-751.79
Liability Check	04/12/2012	EFTPS	United States Treasury	Payroll Taxes	-1,226.33
Deposit	04/18/2012			Deposit	2,335.06
Bill Pmt -Check	04/18/2012	6007	Black Hills Energy	Natural Gas	-233.39
Bill Pmt -Check	04/18/2012	6008	Hare Electric	Labor to work on transfer switch/Sewer	-180.00
Bill Pmt -Check	04/18/2012	6009	Menards	Wall Baseboard and Adhesive for upstairs	-47.49
Bill Pmt -Check	04/18/2012	6010	UPS	Water testing	-10.81
Bill Pmt -Check	04/18/2012	6011	USA Blue Book	Sewer Testing Supplies	-84.59
Bill Pmt -Check	04/18/2012	6012	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	-43.41
Check	04/18/2012	5961	First Security Bank & Trust	Comm Ctr Loan Pmt	-2,500.00
Paycheck	04/20/2012	6013	Roberts, Stephen J		-876.52
Check	04/24/2012	6014	Advantage Business Solutions, Inc.	Electrical - Business Incubator	-3,478.82
Deposit	04/24/2012			Deposit	1,521.25
Deposit	04/25/2012			Deposit	4,166.43
Bill Pmt -Check	04/25/2012	6017	Evangeline Specialties, Inc.	Street Sign-River St	-52.46
Bill Pmt -Check	04/25/2012	6018	Staples	Office Supplies	-6.96
Bill Pmt -Check	04/25/2012	6019	Titan Pro SCI Inc.	Chemical Round Up	-106.55
Bill Pmt -Check	04/25/2012	6020	Trophies Unlimited	Plaques for Community Center and City Hall	-81.00
Liability Check	04/30/2012	eFile	Iowa Department of Revenue & Finance	Payroll Liabilities	-458.00
Sales Tax Paymen	04/30/2012	eFile	Iowa Department of Revenue & Finance	Sales Tax	-923.00
Deposit	04/30/2012			Deposit	6.57
Total General Fund Accounts					-5,032.34
Roads Revenue Accounts					
Deposit	04/30/2012			Interest	8.94
Total Roads Revenue Accounts					8.94
Water Revenue Accounts					
Deposit	04/30/2012			Interest	5.17
Total Water Revenue Accounts					5.17
Sewer Revenue Accounts					
Deposit	04/30/2012			Interest	6.27
Total Sewer Revenue Accounts					6.27
TOTAL					-5,011.96