

City of Fertile

City Council Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2019 - 7:00 PM, City Hall

Call to Order & Roll Call:

- Present were: Mayor Joyce Russell; Council Members: Cindy Peters, Nick Bailey and Holly Lovik-Hanna; City Clerk Wendy Lunning and Maintenance Manager Steve Roberts. Absent: Ron Rachut & Tad Miller.
- Cindy motioned, Holly 2nd to approve the minutes of the February meeting & Public Hearing meeting.** Unanimous
- Nick motioned, Holly 2nd to accept agenda.** Unanimous. Agendas are posted at City Hall, at the Library, and at the Post Office, 24 hours in advance of each Council Meeting. If you wish to be on the Agenda, please contact City Hall two days before the meeting.

Flooding – Don Larson

- Warren Bruns, Water & Sewer Superintendent; Ken Abrams, Worth County Supervisor were also present. Don inquired about drainage on W Washington Street. In 2008, home owners refused help from FEMA, Worth County Supervisors & Worth County Engineers. FEMA suggest digging out ditches to insert 24-inch culverts and berms to reduce flooding. FEMA replaced 60 inch X 76 ft concrete box culvert with a 60 inch X 76 ft equivalent oval concrete pipe under 1st street. Code of Iowa Sec 716.1 Obstructing ditches and breaking levees. No person shall divert, obstruct, impede or fill up, without legal authority, any ditch drain, or watercourse, or break down any levee established, constructed, or maintained under any provision of law.

City Maintenance Report:

- Snow, Snow, Snow removal. Nettleton Excavating was contracted to haul excess snow away, clean alleys & Park Street.
- The conveyor door broke on the plow truck and has been repaired for the time being.
- Fuel tank on plow truck was leaking. It would cost \$1,215.00 to replace. The truck has two tanks, so they reduce to using one tank.
- Sewer pump broke and Quality Pump & Control was called to lift the pump. A white t-shirt was blocking the flow.
- The roof is leaking at the Maintenance shed. Steve put a temporary fix in place for the time being.
- Steve completed DNR Tier 2 report.
- Main Street has pot holes & cracks that will need to be patched.
- Buck & Steve filled & delivered sand bags to residence in town.
- Cindy motioned, Nick 2nd to approve the City Maintenance report.** Unanimous

Mayor's Report:

- Thank you, Chris Hanna, Brian Nettleton, Randy & Adam Pederson with help clearing streets and alleys during the snow storm.
- Steve & Joyce dug out gas meters at City Hall / Community Center. Steve dug out Maintenance garage meter.

- Jeff Berg's building on W Main Street collapsed due to snow.
- Joyce met with ICAP insurance. Voucher received for \$1,270.19.
- Thank you to the Fertile Fire Department for blowing open the culvert under 1st North by the water plant that was plugged with snow & ice.
- Joyce submitted Fertile Days schedule to Winn-Worth Betco for their summer events calendar.
- Thank you to EMC, Mark Tomilson for delivery 1,000 sand bags to help with flooding of homes. City ordered 1/2 load of sand for them.
- Thank you, EMC, Mark Tomilson for delivering clean up kits for houses with water damage. Joyce delivered nine cleaning kits to household.
- Governor Kim Reynolds has proclaimed a state disaster in response to flooding and severe weather. The Iowa Individual Assistance Grant Program has been activated. Mayor gave paperwork for assistance to nine households.
- Clapper Tree Service estimated \$1,600.00 to remove tree at 115 W Main Street. Council suggest getting legal advice. Joyce will follow up with John Greeves.
- Cindy motioned, Holly 2nd to approve the mayor's report.** Unanimous.

7/1/2018 to 2/28/2019	General	WCDA	Roads	Emergency	EE Benefits	LOST	Utilities	Total
Income	244,674.25	61,792.98	34,126.42	1,799.66	7,351.22	24,361.39	114,197.23	488,303.15
Expense	254,481.61	61,792.98	20,317.34	0	4,400.25	0	71,927.19	412,919.37
Total	-9,807.36	0	13,809.08	1,799.66	2,950.97	24,361.39	42,270.04	75,383.78
Fund Balance	45,021.61	21.32	74,127.57	1,799.66	4,164.39	24,361.39	197,337.50	346,833.44

City Clerk's Report

- Cindy motioned, Nick 2nd to approve Financial Report.** Unanimous
- Nick motioned, Holly 2nd to approve February Bills.** Unanimous
- Cindy motioned, Nick 2nd to approve resolution for compensation of employees beginning 07/01/2019.**
- Liens presented to the Council were as follows:

605 W Washington	\$246.94
103 N First Street	\$246.94
409 W Main Street	\$246.94

Holly motioned, Nick seconded to process liens with Worth County Treasurer. Unanimous

Committee Report:

- Cindy is checking into city owned convenient store for Fertile.

Upcoming Meetings:

- The Fertile City Council will meet for regular session on April 16th at 7:00 pm at Fertile City Hall.
- Nick motioned, Holly 2nd to adjourn the meeting.** Unanimous

Summary:

- Flooding
- Pay Raises

Wendy Lunning, City Clerk

City of Fertile Deposits

As of February 28, 2019

Accrual Basis

Type	Date	Memo	Amount
Operating Accounts			
Checking			
Deposit	02/01/2019	Property Taxes	523.47
Deposit	02/01/2019	Farm to Market Deposit	1,898.52
Deposit	02/04/2019	Casino Funds Deposit	2,967.24
Deposit	02/13/2019	Utility Deposit	2,977.53
Deposit	02/13/2019	Utility Deposit	337.09
Deposit	02/14/2019	Road Use Tax	2,119.19
Deposit	02/19/2019	Local Option Sales Tax	2,826.92
Deposit	02/19/2019	Property Taxes	31,887.79
Deposit	02/21/2019	Lien Interest Deposit	23.00
Deposit	02/21/2019	Utility Deposit	151.60
Deposit	02/27/2019	Utility Deposit	3,446.16
Deposit	02/27/2019	Utility Deposit	290.12
Deposit	02/28/2019	Local Option Sales Tax	2,654.52
Deposit	02/28/2019	Interest	19.90
Total Checking			52,123.05
Petty Cash			
Total Petty Cash			
Total Operating Accounts			52,123.05
Roads Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	02/28/2019	Interest	0.53
Total Savings			0.53
Total Roads Revenue Accounts			0.53
Water Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	02/28/2019	Interest	2.60
Total Savings			2.60
Total Water Revenue Accounts			2.60
Sewer Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	02/28/2019	Interest	2.27
Total Savings			2.27
CD			
Total CD			
Total Sewer Revenue Accounts			2.27
TOTAL			52,128.45

City of Fertile Bills Paid

As of February 28, 2019

						Accrual Basis
Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo		
Operating Accounts						
Checking						
Paycheck	02/01/2019	8973	Bruns, Warren	Water & Sewer Supervisor		-300.21
Paycheck	02/01/2019	8974	Lunning, Wendy S	City Clerk		-506.66
Paycheck	02/01/2019	8975	Russell, Joyce	Mayor (Donated 16 hours)		-1,424.02
Bill Pmt -Check	02/06/2019	8972	Lonnie Knudson	Community Center Cleaning		-10.00
Paycheck	02/06/2019	8976	Roberts, Stephen J	City Maintenance		-1,095.72
Bill Pmt -Check	02/13/2019	8986	AgSource Laboratories	Water Testing		-13.50
Bill Pmt -Check	02/13/2019	8987	Alliant Energy	Electric		-545.21
Bill Pmt -Check	02/13/2019	8988	USA Blue Book	Water Testing		-153.59
Bill Pmt -Check	02/13/2019	8989	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone		-73.05
Bill Pmt -Check	02/13/2019	8985	Hanna Chris	December & January snow removal (12 hours @ \$12.00 per hour)		-144.00
Liability Check	02/14/2019	EFT	IPERS			-237.54
Liability Check	02/14/2019	EFT	United States Treasury			-1,446.52
Paycheck	02/20/2019	8990	Roberts, Stephen J			-1,095.72
Check	02/20/2019	ACH	WCTA	(L)Telephone		-63.77
Paycheck	02/21/2019	8991	Arndt, Linda J	(L) Assistant Librarian		-170.57
Paycheck	02/21/2019	8993	Thompson, Angela M	(L) Librarian		-1,153.72
Paycheck	02/21/2019	8992	Knudson, Loni	(L) Clerk		-238.71
Check	02/21/2019	DEBIT	Intuit	Payroll		-6.36
Check	02/21/2019	DEBIT	Downtown Hilton	Training		-148.58
Check	02/21/2019	DEBIT	Casey's General Store	Gas		-26.69
Bill Pmt -Check	02/27/2019	8994	ClerkBooks	1000 Checks		-249.95
Total Checking						-9,104.09
Petty Cash						
Total Petty Cash						
Total Operating Accounts						-9,104.09
Roads Revenue Accounts						
Savings						
Total Savings						
Total Roads Revenue Accounts						
TOTAL						-9,104.09