

City of Fertile

City Council Meeting Minutes

May 15, 2018 - 7:00 PM, City Hall

Call to Order & Roll Call:

- Present were: Mayor Joyce Russell; Council Members: Tad Miller, Cindy Peters, Nick Bailey, Ron Rachut and Holly Lovik-Hanna; City Clerk Wendy Lunning. Maintenance Manager Steve Roberts was absent.
- Ron motioned, Nick 2nd to approve the minutes of the April meeting.** Unanimous
- Tad 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.

Property:

- Gail & Larry Shopshire would like to increase their lot to 66 feet. Joyce will be checking with City Attorney in regards to granting an easement.

Ordinance Amendment – Animal Control:

- Joyce proposed Ordinance Amendment for bothersome animals, livestock, exotic pets and the limits on the number of animals kept that had been approved by the City Attorney. Council would like to see proposal limited to lot size as residence were concerned with how this would affect their pastures within city limits.

City Maintenance Report:

- Steve cleaned up trees in Rhodes Mill Park due to storm damage.
- Steve smoothed out gravel at City Hall & the Library.
- Steve met with Hyway Truck to replace the belt, chain and sander on the snow plow.
- Steve & Buck have been mowing.
- Steve has sprayed and drug the fields at the ball diamonds.
- Steve purchased fuel tank for back of pick up & is planning on getting fuel pump installed.
- Park Street is in need of some tree trimming and gravel. Rhonda & Steve Prescott would also like city to help repair some of yard damage from snow plow.
- Joyce will be ordering Private Drive Sign for the west end of park street where dead-end sign is.
- Tad motioned, Cindy 2nd to approve the City Maintenance report.** Unanimous

Mayor's Report:

- Joyce contacted Worth County Supervisors & Engineers in regards to culvert at the driveway of the Community Center. They indicated that it was not needed due to the natural flow of the land.
- Joyce is planning on ordering decal for Steve's ATV so that it can be used for City maintenance.
- Joyce took the Storm Spotter class at Northwood for locating tornadoes.
- Joyce is working on replacing the City of Fertile sign that was damaged in the storm. She offered 3 sign suggestions to the council. It was suggested that the words be reflective. **Cindy Motioned, Tad 2nd to accept the Welcome sign with state bird. The motion was carried by 3 ayes and 2 opposed.**
- Joyce contacted Green Canopy to bring back the Porta Potties.
- Steve took dumpsters back to park and ball diamonds.

- Joyce kept track of the river gauge for flooding in the park.
- Joyce contacted John Greve's in regards to blocked water line at 212 W Main. This is home owner's responsibility.
- Joyce ordered embargo signs to protect streets and enforce ordinance 3-3-36. Every motor vehicle licensed for five tons or more, having no fixed terminal within the City or making no scheduled or definite stops within the City for the purpose of loading or unloading, shall travel on County Road S-18 (Eagle Avenue). Steve hung the signs. It was suggested that Joyce order "Embargo Ahead" signs
- City Wide Clean Up was successful with 41 residents participating.
- Joyce checked with Peterson Sanitation in Lake Mills. They don't offer trash and recycling containers and clean up days is at additional charge based on tonnage.
- Waste Management offer contract to City Council and increased the number of dumpsters for Clean Up Days and will also be offering house pick up for those in need (must be approved by City Council). **Cindy motioned, Ron 2nd to accept the new contract from Waste Management. Unanimous.**
- Nuisance letter sent to property owner at 305 N 1st Street.
- Additional residence will be receiving notice in regards to accumulation of rubbish or trash tending to harbor vermin, rodents and rank growth of weeds or other vegetation and plants which is conducive to hazard.
- Joyce will be contacting Larson Plumbing & Heating in regards broken pipe in the restrooms at the ball diamonds and to turn on water.
- Cindy motioned, Tad 2nd to approve the mayor's report.** Unanimous.

City Clerk's Report

- Reports for Fire Department are current through 03/31/2018.
- Ron motioned, Nick 2nd to approve Financial Report.** Unanimous
- Holly motioned, Tad 2nd to approve April Bills.** Unanimous

7/1/2017 to 4/30/2018	General	WCDA	Roads	EE Benefits	Utilities	Total
Income	313,510.16	53,975.00	110,450.76	7,477.09	114,721.12	603,134.13
Expense	322,615.41	46,153.68	100,422.96	2,542.87	90,936.83	565,671.75
Total	-9,105.25	7,821.32	10,027.80	4,934.22	23,784.29	37,462.38
Fund Balance	60,687.31	21.32	56,671.20	5,802.73	152,423.53	275,606.09

- Liens presented to the council were as follows:
115 W Main Street \$317.12
- Ron motioned, Tad 2nd to process liens with the County Treasurer.**

Committee Report:

- Joyce will be contacting owner of the Church Apartments in regards to parking cars as parallel for better visibility at corners.
- Holly is interested in the Community Foundation Grant to renovate the log cabin at Rhodes Mill park.
- Holly asked to have Volleyball court maintained with new net and poles painted.
- Ron has ordered flag poles for city hall. These will be located North of the Community Center.

Upcoming Meetings:

- The Fertile City Council will meet for budget amend public hearing session May 29th at 7:00pm, at Fertile City Hall.
- The Fertile City Council will meet for regular session June 19th at 7:00 pm at Fertile City Hall.
- Nick motioned, Holly 2nd to adjourn the meeting.** Unanimous

Summary:

- Embargo on East Main
- Budget Amendment proposed to City Council.

Wendy Lunning, City Clerk

City of Fertile Deposits

As of April 30, 2018

			Accrual Basis
Type	Date	Memo	Amount
Operating Accounts			
Checking			
Deposit	04/01/2018	Clerkbooks Deposit	0.00
Deposit	04/01/2018	Utility Deposit	165.99
Deposit	04/03/2018	Casino Funds Deposit	2,902.50
Deposit	04/04/2018	WCDA Deposit	3,000.00
Deposit	04/04/2018	Refundable Utility Deposit	150.00
Deposit	04/04/2018	Utility Deposit	1,493.66
Deposit	04/11/2018	Utility Deposit	308.89
Deposit	04/11/2018	Utility Deposit	2,937.27
Deposit	04/17/2018	Road Use Tax	953.19
Deposit	04/19/2018	Property Taxes	29,655.64
Deposit	04/19/2018	Casino Funds Deposit	2,408.60
Deposit	04/20/2018	Utility Deposit	3,379.92
Deposit	04/20/2018	Farm to Market Deposit	1,549.65
Deposit	04/25/2018	Utility Deposit	362.44
Deposit	04/25/2018	Assessment Received Deposit	362.75
Deposit	04/27/2018	Local Option Sales Tax	2,299.61
Deposit	04/30/2018	Utility Deposit	3,758.92
Deposit	04/30/2018	Interest	20.40
Total Checking			55,709.43
Petty Cash			
Total Petty Cash			55,709.43
Total Operating Accounts			55,709.43
Roads Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	04/30/2018	Interest	0.56
Total Savings			0.56
Total Roads Revenue Accounts			0.56
Water Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	04/30/2018	Interest	2.78
Total Savings			2.78
Total Water Revenue Accounts			2.78
Sewer Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	04/30/2018	Interest	2.43
Total Savings			2.43
CD			
Total CD			2.43
Total Sewer Revenue Accounts			2.43
TOTAL			55,715.20

City of Fertile Bills Paid

As of April 30, 2018

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Accrual Basis Amount
Operating Accounts					
Checking					
Check	04/01/2018	8569	Fertile Fire Department V	Quarterly Allocation	-4,000.00
Check	04/01/2018	TRANSFER	Fertile Public Library V	Quarterly Payment	0.00
Paycheck	04/04/2018	8555	Roberts, Stephen J	City Maintenance City Administrator - Donated 21 hours.	-1,046.08
Paycheck	04/04/2018	8556	Russell, Joyce		-1,400.20
Paycheck	04/04/2018	8558	Lunning, Wendy S	City Clerk	-399.16
Paycheck	04/04/2018	8557	Bruns, Warren	Water & Sewer Supervisor	-301.39
Check	04/05/2018	TRANSFER	Petty Cash	Petty Cash Reimbursement	-51.49
Check	04/05/2018	DEBIT	Stellar Truck & Trailer	Parts for Plow Truck	-14.49
Bill Pmt -Check	04/11/2018	8574	Five Star CO-OP	Gas for Truck & Golf Cart	-185.09
Bill Pmt -Check	04/11/2018	8571	Hawkins, Inc.	Chlorine Cylinder	-10.00
Bill Pmt -Check	04/11/2018	8572	Alliant Energy	Electric	-1,189.10
Liability Check	04/12/2018	EFT	IPERS	(L) Library IPERS	-263.08
Liability Check	04/12/2018	EFT	IPERS	City IPERS Liability	-787.09
Paycheck	04/19/2018	8575	Roberts, Stephen J	City Maintenance	-1,046.23
Check	04/19/2018	DEBIT	US Post Office	Postage	-210.00
Paycheck	04/19/2018	8576	Arndt, Linda J	(L) Assistant Director	-153.97
Paycheck	04/19/2018	8577	Knudson, Loni	(L) Clerk	-114.41
Paycheck	04/19/2018	8578	Thompson, Angela M	(L) Librarian	-1,084.16
Check	04/19/2018	EFT	WCTA	(L) Telephone	-41.60
Bill Pmt -Check	04/19/2018	8579	AgSource Laboratories	Water Testing	-13.50
Bill Pmt -Check	04/19/2018	8580	Alliant Energy	Electric	-685.78
Bill Pmt -Check	04/19/2018	8581	Baker & Taylor	(L) Books & CDs	-431.20
Bill Pmt -Check	04/19/2018	8582	Black Hills Energy	Library	-660.36
Bill Pmt -Check	04/19/2018	8583	Bruns, Warren v	Towing services	-225.00
Bill Pmt -Check	04/19/2018	8584	Demco	(L) Book Covers & Poster	-121.06
Bill Pmt -Check	04/19/2018	8585	Marco	Copier, Printer, Fax	-74.77
Bill Pmt -Check	04/19/2018	8586	Menards	Pothole patch & Morton salt	-41.54
Bill Pmt -Check	04/19/2018	8587	North Iowa Libraries Collaborating	(L) Barcodes	-85.00
Bill Pmt -Check	04/19/2018	8588	ProSource Specialties	(L) Summer Reading Program	-59.94
Bill Pmt -Check	04/19/2018	8589	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	-80.97
Bill Pmt -Check	04/19/2018	8590	Worth County Engineer v	Fuel for Plow Truck & Skid Loader	-134.20
Bill Pmt -Check	04/19/2018	8591	Alliant Energy	(L) Electric	-122.00
Bill Pmt -Check	04/19/2018	8592	Black Hills Energy	(L) Natural Gas	-74.00
Liability Check	04/25/2018	8593	United States Treasury		-1,238.82
Liability Check	04/30/2018	EFT	Iowa Department of Revenue & Finance	(L) Library Payroll Liabilities	-135.00
Liability Check	04/30/2018	EFT	Iowa Department of Revenue & Finance	Payroll Liability	-536.00
Liability Check	04/30/2018	EFT	United States Treasury		-1,101.34
Sales Tax Payment	04/30/2018	EFT	Iowa Department of Revenue & Finance		-1,154.00
Bill Pmt -Check	04/30/2018	8594	Junior Library Guild	(L) Books & CDs	-346.68
Bill Pmt -Check	04/30/2018	8595	Miller Ranch and Mobile Repair	Snow Plow	-402.03
Check	04/30/2018	EFT	Citibusiness Card	(L) Books, CDs, Supplies, Programs, DVDs, Tech Support	-1,782.90
Check	04/30/2018	EFT	First Security Bank & Trust	Main Street Loan	-2,408.60
Bill Pmt -Check	04/30/2018	8609	Fertile Days	Fertile Contribution	-2,700.00
Total Checking					-26,912.23
Petty Cash					
Check	04/05/2018	TRANSFER	Petty Cash	Petty Cash Reimbursement	51.49
Check	04/11/2018	TRANSFER	Fertile Public Library V	(L)	-51.49
Total Petty Cash					0.00
Total Operating Accounts					-26,912.23
Roads Revenue Accounts					
Savings					
Total Savings					_____
Total Roads Revenue Accounts					_____
TOTAL					-26,912.23