

City of Fertile

City Council Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2019 - 7:00 PM, City Hall

Public Hearing:

- Mayor Joyce Russell called the Public Hearing to Order for the Budget Amendment. There were no comments. **Cindy motioned, Tad 2nd to close the Public Hearing.**

Call to Order & Roll Call:

- Mayor Joyce Russell called the council meeting to order. Present were: Mayor Joyce Russell; Council Members: Tad Miller, Cindy Peters, Nick Bailey (early dismissal), Ron Rachut and Holly Lovik-Hanna; City Clerk Wendy Lunning and Maintenance Manager Steve Roberts.
- 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.

Top of Iowa Trail:

- Myron Lupkes, Tom Reed, Dennis Johnson and two interns from ISU Rising Stars attending to shed light on the walking trail between Fertile & Hanlontown. The trail would not allow for motorized vehicles with the exception of maintenance vehicles. It would be the cities responsibility to maintain the trail. The city would be working with County Conservation & local grants to make this possible. Next meeting is Thursday, May 30th, 7:00 pm at the Fertile Community Center. Your feedback is appreciated.

Public Hearing Budget Amendment:

- Wendy presented the budget amendment to the City Council with increases due to grants received. **Tad motioned, Cindy 2nd to approve the budget amendment.** Unanimous

7/1/2018 to 4/30/2019	General	Roads	Emergency	EE Benefits	LOST	WCDA	Utilities	Total
Income	277,850.35	40,334.21	1,842.28	7,522.26	29,670.43	64,792.98	137,461.55	559,474.06
Expense	307,585.94	29,085.44	0	5,113.15	0	61,792.98	86,930.50	490,508.01
Total	-29,735.59	11,248.77	1,842.28	2,409.11	29,670.43	3,000.00	50,531.05	68,966.05
Fund Balance	25,093.38	71,567.26	1,842.28	3,622.53	29,670.43	3,021.32	205,598.51	340,415.71

Grants:

- NIACOG is now accepting applications for home repair. The program is for low income households with a resident who is over 62 years of age and/or disabled. Repair projects require a minimum cost of \$15,000 and include items such as: roofing, siding, windows, doors, furnace, water heater, electrical, accessibility (ramps and bathrooms), and plumbing works. Contact NIACOG at 641-423-0491 (Myrtle x16 or Caraline x27).
- While there are several ideas for grants for the City of Fertile, the council decided to apply for a WCDA fall grant for generator for Community Center and lagoon. **Cindy motioned, Ron 2nd to proceed with this grant.** Unanimous

City Maintenance Report:

- Steve burn brush that was on city property.
- Steve picked up several rocks at the park due to flooding. The first mowing revealed additional rocks. Steve replaced blades on the mower.
- Steve completed the DNR Water Use report.
- Steve pressure washed the snow plow truck.
- Steve sprayed weeds at the bridge.

- City Clean Up was successful and both dumpsters were filled by noon.
- Steve planted some grass seed at City Hall.
- Steve put some rock in the alleys where needed.
- The trees that were planted last year survived the flood and are blooming.
- The pump at the water plant had air in the line and got over heated. Steve & Warren pumped the water manually until they were able to get the air out and original pump running. Council asked Steve to check into auto shut off to pump when it gets over heated.
- Cindy motioned, Tad 2nd to approve the City Maintenance report.** Unanimous

Mayor's Report:

- Joyce met with ICAP in regards to the 2019 / 2020 policy. Effective May 1, ICAP began offering Active Assailant Coverage at no additional charge to all ICAP members. The Fertile Fire Department will be submitting a \$1000.00 grant for new hoses and gear.
- Historian James Kenyon is seeking information about the early education in the community. He will be at the Fertile Community Center on Tuesday, July 2nd at 1:00 pm.
- The Fertile Fire Department purchased new Ranger with tracks and sold the old one.
- Thank you to Nick Bailey, Buck Russell and Steve Roberts with your help during the City Wide Clean Up day.
- New signs have been installed at the Library for customer parking only.
- Nuisance letters written & sent to residences in town.
- Ron motioned, Holly 2nd to approve the mayor's report.** Unanimous.

City Clerk's Report:

- Ron motioned, Cindy 2nd to approve Financial Report.** Unanimous
- Cindy motioned, Holly 2nd to approve April Bills.** Unanimous
- Write off for outstanding bill 103 Spring Street from previous owners. Write Off not granted.
- Liens presented to the Council were as follows:
115 W Main Street \$325.43
101 E Main Street \$354.18

Ron motioned; Tad seconded to process liens with Worth County Treasurer. Unanimous

Committee Report:

- Ron & Tad mentioned the use of Solar Panels for the City of Fertile. This will be included with the list of grants to apply for.

Upcoming Meetings:

- The Fertile City Council will meet for regular session on June 18th at 7:00 pm at Fertile City Hall.
- Holly motioned, Cindy 2nd to adjourn the meeting.** Unanimous

Summary:

- Public Hearing for 2019 Budget Amendment
- Grants

**City of Fertile
Deposits**

As of April 30, 2019

Accrual Basis

Type	Date	Memo	Amount
Operating Accounts			
Checking			
Deposit	04/01/2019	Property Taxes	32,417.95
Deposit	04/01/2019	Lien Deposit	246.94
Deposit	04/03/2019	Utility Deposit	145.35
Deposit	04/03/2019	Utility Deposit	482.64
Deposit	04/03/2019	Casino Funds Deposit	2,857.22
Deposit	04/05/2019	Farm to Market Deposit	1,532.43
Deposit	04/08/2019	Utility Deposit	294.28
Deposit	04/16/2019	Road Use Tax	1,066.69
Deposit	04/17/2019	Clerkbooks Deposit	0.00
Deposit	04/17/2019	Utility Deposit	77.39
Deposit	04/17/2019	Refundable Utility Deposit	150.00
Deposit	04/17/2019	Farm to Market Deposit	1,881.43
Deposit	04/17/2019	Utility Deposit	2,607.61
Deposit	04/17/2019	(L) Book Return Deposit	11.92
Deposit	04/17/2019	Library Deposit	10.00
Deposit	04/17/2019	Library Deposit	213.00
Deposit	04/19/2019	Clerkbooks Deposit	0.00
Deposit	04/24/2019	Utility Deposit	3,334.32
Deposit	04/24/2019	Facility Rental Deposit	250.00
Deposit	04/24/2019	Utility Deposit	242.43
Deposit	04/29/2019	Local Option Sales Tax	2,654.52
Deposit	04/30/2019	Utility Deposit	2,590.75
Deposit	04/30/2019	Interest	22.17
Total Checking			53,089.04
Petty Cash			
Total Petty Cash			
Total Operating Accounts			53,089.04
Roads Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	04/30/2019	Interest	0.57
Total Savings			0.57
Total Roads Revenue Accounts			0.57
Water Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	04/30/2019	Interest	2.78
Total Savings			2.78
Total Water Revenue Accounts			2.78
Sewer Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	04/30/2019	Interest	2.43
Total Savings			2.43
CD			
Total CD			
Total Sewer Revenue Accounts			2.43
TOTAL			53,094.82

City of Fertile Bills Paid

As of April 30, 2019

						Accrual Basis
Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount	
Operating Accounts						
Checking						
Check	04/01/2019	9052	Fertile Fire Department V	Quarterly Allocation	-3,833.33	
Check	04/01/2019	TRANSFER	Fertile Public Library V	Quarterly Payment	0.00	
Check	04/01/2019	CORR	Worth County Auditor	Correction to duplicate entry effective 03-06-2019 check #425734.	-8,750.00	
Paycheck	04/03/2019	9046	Bruns, Warren	Water & Sewer Supervisor	-300.21	
Paycheck	04/03/2019	9047	Lunning, Wendy S	City Clerk	-335.10	
Paycheck	04/03/2019	9048	Russell, Grant	City Maintenance	-55.94	
Paycheck	04/03/2019	9049	Russell, Joyce	Mayor (Donated 14 hours)	-1,345.52	
Paycheck	04/03/2019	9050	Roberts, Stephen J	City Maintenance	-1,095.71	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/03/2019	9051	Lonnie Knudson	Community Center Cleaning	-40.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/03/2019	9053	Carrot-Top Industries, Inc.	Flags	-122.65	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/03/2019	9054	Menards	Pothole Patch	-152.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/03/2019	9055	Waste Management	Garbage, Recycling & Container Services	-2,339.78	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/03/2019	9056	WCTA	Telephone/Internet	-199.71	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/03/2019	9057	Wendy Lunning - v	Mileage to Northwood & Bank (30 miles @ .545 per mile)	-16.35	
Check	04/03/2019	ACH	Citibusiness Card	(L) Books & CDs, Supplies, Programs, DVDs, Postage, Dues & Magazines	-538.83	
Check	04/08/2019	DEBIT	USPS	Certified Letter	-8.20	
Check	04/09/2019	ACH	Intuit	Payroll	-12.72	
Liability Check	04/10/2019	EFT	Iowa Department of Revenue & Finance		-685.00	
Liability Check	04/12/2019	EFT	IPERS		-898.68	
Liability Check	04/12/2019	EFTPS	United States Treasury		-1,417.82	
Paycheck	04/16/2019	9061	Arndt, Linda J	(L) Assistant Director	-253.69	
Paycheck	04/16/2019	9062	Knudson, Loni	(L) Clerk	-202.13	
Paycheck	04/16/2019	9063	Thompson, Angela M	(L) Librarian	-1,153.72	
Paycheck	04/17/2019	9064	Roberts, Stephen J	City Maintenance	-1,095.72	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/17/2019	9065	AgSource Laboratories	Water & Sewer Testing	-64.75	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/17/2019	9066	Alliant Energy		-832.57	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/17/2019	9067	Baker & Taylor	(L) Books & CDs	-229.67	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/17/2019	9068	Black Hills Energy		-587.14	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/17/2019	9069	Joyce Russell -P	(L) People Magazine	-27.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/17/2019	9070	Menards	Supplies & Road Crack Filler	-63.32	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/17/2019	9071	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	-73.01	
Check	04/17/2019	EFT	First Security Bank & Trust	Main Street Loan	-1,969.87	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/24/2019	9072	Staples	Folding Machine, 3 Tab Folders & Pens.	-228.36	
Check	04/29/2019	Ach	Citibusiness Card	(L) Books & CDs, Supplies, Programs, DVDs, Postage, Meals, Fees	-583.97	
Sales Tax Payment	04/30/2019	eFile	Iowa Department of Revenue & Finance		0.00	
Sales Tax Payment	04/30/2019	eFile	Iowa Department of Revenue & Finance		0.00	
Total Checking					-29,512.47	
Petty Cash						
Total Petty Cash					-	
Total Operating Accounts					-29,512.47	
Roads Revenue Accounts						
Savings						
Total Savings					-	
Total Roads Revenue Accounts					-	
TOTAL					-29,512.47	