

# City of Fertile

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## City Council Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2020 - 7:00 PM, City Hall

### Call to Order & Roll Call:

- Mayor Nick Bailey called the council meeting to order. Present were: Mayor Nick Bailey; Council Members: Cindy Peters, Ron Rachut, Tad Miller, Holly Lovik-Hanna and Penny Miller. City Clerk: Wendy Lunning. Maintenance Manager Steve Roberts gave report electronically via speaker phone.
- **Tad motioned, Cindy 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the minutes of the March meeting.** Unanimous
- **Ron motioned, Penny 2<sup>nd</sup> to accept agenda.** Unanimous. Agendas are posted at City Hall, at the Library, at the Post Office and on our website <https://fertileiowa.us>, 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.

### Pledge of Allegiance to the US Flag

### Budget Amendment Public Hearing:

- After hearing all taxpayers' comments and considering the statements made by them, **Ron motioned, Cindy 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year Ending 06/30/2020.** Unanimous

### Ordinance Codification Public Hearing:

- Postponed till June due to outstanding questions to NIACOG.

### Library Report:

- The Library Board will remain closed to the public, but will be doing curbside check outs. Customers can use the website <http://youseemore.com/nilc/fertilepl/> or messenger on Facebook to indicate the item(s) you would like to check out.
- The Library Board is also working on getting set up so they will be offering "drive-in" type movies during the summer. More information will be coming on this.

### Code of Conduct:

- Ron proposed that this be postponed until the June meeting.

### City Maintenance Report:

- Steve has begun mowing on a weekly basis. Steve received estimate of \$5,000.00 to replace hydrant on E Main. Council asked for an additional estimate.
- Steve manually operated the water plant as the Chlorine mix tank was overflowing.
- The lift station at the lagoon was plugged. Quality Pump was contacted to repair.
- Steve's cell phone was replaced.
- **Penny motioned, Holly 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the City Maintenance report.** Unanimous

### Mayor's Report:

- Clean Up Days has been postponed. Tentative date scheduled for September 26<sup>th</sup>. Appliance Recycling can be recycled at anytime by contacting Gene Timmons at (641) 201-9276.
- Nick responded to resident complaint of traffic not stopping. Fertile Code of Ordinances 3-3-16 DESIGNATED STOPS AT INTERSECTING THROUGH HIGHWAYS AND OTHER INTERSECTIONS. At the intersections of through highways and at intersections upon streets other than through highways, where, because of heavy cross-traffic or other traffic conditions, particular hazard exists... vehicles shall

stop at one or more entrances to the intersection where signs are posted.

- Nick responded to resident complaint of heavy truck traffic through town due to Fir Avenue shut down.
- Nick responded to resident concern of sump pumps running continuously. Several tests were done and it was determined that this was fresh water vs city water.
- Thank you, Carolyn Nedved, for donating newspaper article date June 1975 featuring Elthon's grocery store.
- Nick has notified Alliant Energy on light out at 4-way stop and street light that is out.
- Work will begin on May 20, 2020 on culvert on Hwy 9 west of Dogwood.
- **Holly motioned, Ron 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the mayor's report.** Unanimous.

### City Clerk's Report:

- **Cindy motioned, Tad 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve resolution 20-5-19-2 authorizing the internal transfer of funds.** Unanimous.
- **Tad motioned, Penny 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve resolution 20-5-19-3 approving Fertile Credit Card Policy.** Unanimous
- Direct Deposit is now available for employees and elected officials that would like to utilize this.
- **Penny motioned, Cindy 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve set up of Debit cards, Credit cards & eChecks with Iowa Interactive as form of payment to City of Fertile.** Unanimous
- **Holly motioned, Ron 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve Ordinance Amendment Number 2020-0002 amending salaries of municipal officers for Mayor to receive \$2400.00 annually beginning 01/01/2022.**
- Fire Department Financial are current through 02/29/2020. **Ron motioned, Cindy 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve Financial Reports.** Unanimous
- **Holly motioned, Tad 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve April Bills.** Unanimous
- Liens presented to the Council were as follows:

101 E Main Street	\$335.22
503 W Washington	\$525.43
501 W Washington	\$418.21
401 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street	\$ 57.63
- **Tad motioned, Ron 2<sup>nd</sup> to process liens with Worth County Treasurer.** Unanimous
- Census benefits you and your community because it determines the funding level for many public services, grants, and community support so that Iowa and your community get their fair share of federal funding for hospitals and health care; fire and police departments, schools, education, and daycare; roads, highways, and public transportation; housing assistance; Medicaid and child health programs; and job training programs. Please complete your census today.

### Committee Reports:

- Ron reported that Top of Iowa Trail committee announced they have received funding for Share the Road signs. Engineers have been busy with the preliminary site work on the Hanlontown – Fertile project.
- Fertile will have terms for the Winn-Worth Betco Advisory Board up for renewal as of June 30, 2020. Ron and Tad have agreed to stay on the board for an additional two (2) years.
- Holly mentioned that the Fertile Days committee is working with the Worth County Public Health in regards to Fertile Days this August.
- Nick will be checking with the Fertile Fire Department in regards to filling pools.

**Upcoming Meetings:**

- The Fertile City Council will meet for regular session on June 16<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm at Fertile City Hall.
- **Holly motioned, Penny 2<sup>nd</sup> to adjourn the meeting.**  
Unanimous

**Summary:**

- Budget Amendment Public Hearing.
- Credit Card Policy.
- Iowa Interactive Debit cards, Credit Cards & eChecks
- Ordinance Amendment Mayor Salary.
- Winn-Worth Betco Advisory Board members.

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 Wendy Lunning, City Clerk

7/1/2019 to 04/30/2020	General	Roads	Emergency	EE Benefits	LOST Pre 01/01/2020	LOST Post 01/01/2020	WCDA	Capital Projects	Utilities	Total
Income	488,662.90	26,157.34	1,934.54	11,701.95	22,148.19	11,412.34	3,000.00	3,749.96	131,057.25	699,824.47
Expense	507,996.85	28,055.20	962.13	5,949.04	0	0	6,000.00	0	68,574.02	617,537.24
<b>Total</b>	<b>-19,333.95</b>	<b>-1,897.86</b>	<b>972.41</b>	<b>5,752.91</b>	<b>22,148.19</b>	<b>11,412.34</b>	<b>-3,000.00</b>	<b>3,749.96</b>	<b>62,483.23</b>	<b>82,287.23</b>
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>-15,008.73</b>	<b>87,473.33</b>	<b>972.41</b>	<b>8,457.46</b>	<b>58,057.14</b>	<b>11,412.34</b>	<b>21.32</b>	<b>3,749.96</b>	<b>261,695.26</b>	<b>416,830.49</b>

## City of Fertile Deposits

As of April 30, 2020

			Accrual Basis
Type	Date	Memo	Amount
<b>Operating Accounts</b>			
<b>Checking</b>			
Deposit	04/01/2020	Utility Deposit	4,235.90
Deposit	04/01/2020	Property Taxes	32,681.81
Deposit	04/03/2020	Casino Funds Deposit	2,001.56
Deposit	04/04/2020	Paypal Utility Deposit	742.90
Deposit	04/08/2020	Utility Deposit	3,301.53
Deposit	04/08/2020	Farm to Market Deposit	882.04
Deposit	04/09/2020	Paypal Utility Deposit	358.36
Deposit	04/15/2020	Utility Deposit	2,678.54
Deposit	04/15/2020	Library Deposit	35.00
Deposit	04/15/2020	Library Deposit	10.00
Deposit	04/21/2020	Road Use Tax	2,282.58
Deposit	04/22/2020	Farm to Market Deposit	2,146.72
Deposit	04/22/2020	Utility Deposit	2,751.25
Deposit	04/22/2020	Clerkbooks Deposit	0.00
Deposit	04/22/2020	Paypal Utility Deposit	266.42
Deposit	04/22/2020	Building Permit Deposit	70.00
Deposit	04/22/2020	Refundable Utility Deposit	150.00
Deposit	04/25/2020	Utility Deposit	2,112.03
Deposit	04/26/2020	Utility Deposit	518.98
Deposit	04/29/2020	Paypal Utility Deposit	616.55
Deposit	04/29/2020	Paypal Utility Deposit	428.59
Deposit	04/29/2020	Lien Payment Deposit	385.34
Deposit	04/29/2020	Local Option Sales Tax	2,728.16
Deposit	04/30/2020	Interest	32.15
Total Checking			61,416.41
<b>Petty Cash</b>			
Total Petty Cash			
Total Operating Accounts			61,416.41
<b>Roads Revenue Accounts</b>			
<b>Savings</b>			
Deposit	04/30/2020	Interest	0.57
Total Savings			0.57
Total Roads Revenue Accounts			0.57
<b>Water Revenue Accounts</b>			
<b>Savings</b>			
Deposit	04/30/2020	Interest	2.78
Total Savings			2.78
Total Water Revenue Accounts			2.78
<b>Sewer Revenue Accounts</b>			
<b>Savings</b>			
Deposit	04/30/2020	Interest	2.43
Total Savings			2.43
<b>CD</b>			
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Total Sewer Revenue Accounts			2.43
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>61,422.19</b>

## City of Fertile Bills Paid

As of April 30, 2020

						Accrual Basis
Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount	
<b>Operating Accounts</b>						
<b>Checking</b>						
Check	04/01/2020	9508	Fertile Fire Department V	Quarterly Allocation	-4,000.00	
Check	04/01/2020	TRANSFER	Fertile Public Library V	Quarterly Payment	0.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/01/2020	9504	Worth County Treasurer	Lien Payment	-246.93	
Paycheck	04/01/2020	9505	Roberts, Stephen J	City Maintenance	-1,159.30	
Paycheck	04/01/2020	9506	Bruns, Warren	Water & Sewer Supervisor	-300.21	
Paycheck	04/01/2020	9507	Lunning, Wendy S	City Clerk	-482.09	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/01/2020	9509	Fertile Days	WCDA Contribution	-3,000.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/01/2020	9510	Wendy Lunning - v	Mileage (23 miles @ .575 per mile) & Office Supplies	-16.66	
Check	04/01/2020	TRANSFER	City of Fertile	Capital Funds - Resolution 20-3-17-1	0.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/08/2020	9511	AgSource Laboratories	Water Testing	-64.75	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/08/2020	9512	Alliant Energy	Electric	-841.77	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/08/2020	9513	Five Star CO-OP	Gas for Truck	-165.86	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/08/2020	9514	Floyd & Leonard Auto Electric, Inc.	Air Filter for Mower	-18.41	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/08/2020	9515	Hawkins, Inc.	Chlorine Cylinder	-15.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/08/2020	9516	Kramer Ace Hardware	Postage Water Sample	-40.39	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/08/2020	9517	Menards	Sealbest Pothole Patch	-39.95	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/08/2020	9518	Northwood Anchor, Inc.	Publish FY2021 Budget	-124.99	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/08/2020	9519	Waste Management	Garbage, Recycling & Container Services	-2,410.65	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/08/2020	9520	WCTA	Telephone/Internet	-202.96	
Check	04/08/2020	DEBIT	US Post Office	Postage Stamps	-165.00	
Liability Check	04/09/2020	EFTPS	United States Treasury		-1,269.02	
Check	04/09/2020	DEBIT	Intuit	Payroll	-10.70	
Liability Check	04/14/2020	EFT	IPERS		-968.34	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/15/2020	9521	Alliant Energy	Electric	-1,461.44	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/15/2020	9522	Black Hills Energy	Natural Gas	-387.80	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/15/2020	9523	Marco	Copier, Printer, Fax	-90.29	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/15/2020	9524	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	-75.64	
Paycheck	04/15/2020	9525	Roberts, Stephen J	City Maintenance	-1,159.28	
Liability Check	04/15/2020	EFT	Iowa Department of Revenue & Finance		-659.00	
Paycheck	04/16/2020	9526	Arndt, Linda J	(L) Assistant Director	-183.47	
Paycheck	04/16/2020	9527	Knudson, Loni	(L) Clerk	-125.70	
Paycheck	04/16/2020	9528	Thompson, Angela M	(L) Librarian	-1,459.83	
Check	04/16/2020	EFT	Citibusiness Card	(L) Books, CDs, Supplies, Programs & DVDs.	-376.68	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/20/2020	9529	Decker Sports	Balls	-36.00	
Check	04/20/2020	ACH	WCTA	(L)Telephone	-44.66	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/20/2020	9530	Alliant Energy	(L) Electric	-188.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/20/2020	9531	Baker & Taylor	(L) Books & CDs	-86.19	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/20/2020	9532	Black Hills Energy	(L) Natural Gas	-67.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/20/2020	9534	MicroMarketing	(L) Books	-34.99	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/20/2020	9535	Staples	(L) Supplies	-33.67	
Check	04/21/2020	TRANSFER	City of Fertile	Capital Funds - Resolution 20-4-21-1	0.00	
Check	04/24/2020	DEBIT	Walmart	Folders & Soap	-6.42	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/25/2020	9537	AgSource Laboratories	Water Testing	-13.50	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/25/2020	9538	USA Blue Book	Water Testing	-225.52	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/25/2020	9539	Worth County Engineer v	Fuel for Skid Loader, Plow Truck, Sand/Salt Mix	-129.07	
Sales Tax Payment	04/29/2020	EFT	Iowa Department of Revenue & Finance		0.00	
Sales Tax Payment	04/29/2020	EFT	Iowa Department of Revenue & Finance		0.00	
Paycheck	04/29/2020	9536	Roberts, Stephen J	City Maintenance	-1,159.30	
Check	04/30/2020	ACH	Citibusiness Card	(L) Books, Interest & Fees	-67.68	
Bill Pmt -Check	04/30/2020		ClerkBooks A/P Adjust	QuickBooks generated zero amount transaction for bill payment stub	-	
Total Checking					<u>-23,614.11</u>	
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b><u>-23,614.11</u></b>	