

City of Fertile

City Council Meeting Minutes

March 16, 2021 - 7:00 PM, City Hall

Call to Order & Roll Call:

- Mayor, Nick Bailey, called the council meeting to order. Present were: Council Members: Tad Miller, Cindy Peters, Ron Rachut and Holly Lovik-Hanna. Late arrival Penny Miller. City Clerk: Wendy Lunning. Maintenance Manager Steve Roberts.
- Ron motioned, Tad 2nd to approve the minutes of the February meeting.** Unanimous
- Cindy motioned, Tad 2nd to accept agenda without the Lagoon with Jason Petersburg.** 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 Public Hearing:

- The City of Fertile estimated property tax dollars levied per \$1000 valuation on regular property 11.98518 for FY 22.
- Nick opened the public hearing where residents/taxpayers of the City were able to present comments in favor or against the proposed property tax dollars levied.
- Nick closed the public hearing.

Feed Mill:

- Sarah Innes would like the city to purchase and restore the Fertile Mill with grants. Asking price is currently \$195,000. The council is planning to take a tour in April to determine the repairs that are needed.

Top of Iowa:

- Ron mentioned that Myron Lupkes & Tom Reid would like to begin discussing a potential maintenance agreement between Fertile and Hanlontown as well as the Worth County Conservation Commission.

City Maintenance Report:

- Steve replaced battery in city pick up.
- Steve replaced the fuel pump in the box of the pick-up as it could not be repaired.
- Banners are up on Main Street. Thank you, Garden Club, Community Foundation, WCDA, Diamond Jo Casino, Fertile Trustees and Steve for making this possible. They look very nice.
- There were two water line breaks that Steve attended to.
- The sewer floats had sludge on them and were unable to function properly. Steve manually pumped the lagoon and cleaned the floats.

- Holly motioned, Ron 2nd to approve the City Maintenance report.** Unanimous

Mayor's Report:

- Nick followed up on the Fire Department ISO grading scale for Fertile. It remains consistently between 5 – 7. This will increase if Fire Hydrant is more than 500 feet from resident to 9 and if Fire Hydrant is more than 5 miles from resident to 10. Which may increase insurance rates.
- Nick will be checking on the function of the siren. It was suggested that the noon siren be removed.
- Nick met with Jay from ICAP Insurance. In response to the recent Worth County break ins, Nick checked into security safe that runs approximately \$399.00, Security Cameras \$200.00 – \$400.00. We would be able to fund this with an ICAP grant.
- Penny & Holly will be putting together a list of responsibilities to hire a Custodian for the Community Center.
- City Wide Clean up is tentatively scheduled for September.
- Penny motioned, Cindy 2nd to approve the Mayor's report.** Unanimous

City Clerk's Report:

- Tad motioned, Penny 2nd to accept resolution 21-03-16-1 to Adopt the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year Ending 2022.** Unanimous
- Cindy motioned, Penny 2nd to approve resolution 21-03-16-2 authorizing the internal transfer of funds for Capital Projects and Administrative Allocation.** Unanimous.
- Financials are at the end of this report. **Cindy motioned, Penny 2nd to approve Financial Reports.** Unanimous
- Ron motioned, Holly 2nd to approve February Bills.** Unanimous

Committee Report:

- Cindy had no further comments on cleaning.
- Steve mention addressing junk vehicles in town as weather starts to get warmer.

Public Comments:

- No comments.

Upcoming Meetings:

- The Fertile City Council will meet for regular session April 20th, 2021 at 7:00pm at Fertile Community Center.
- Penny motioned, Holly 2nd to adjourn the meeting.** Unanimous

Summary:

Budget Public Hearing

Wendy Lunning, City Clerk

7/1/2020 to 2/28/2021	General	Roads	Emergency	EE Benefits	LOST Pre 01/01/2020	LOST Post 01/01/2020	WCDA	Capital Projects	Utilities	Total
Income	180,966.87	34,774.99	45.55	6,451.28	0	29,320.11	0	2,916.62	110,134.92	364,610.34
Expense	177,465.50	50,607.59	0	5,392.59	0	21,366.62	0	0	69,789.73	324,622.03
Total	3,501.37	-15,832.60	45.55	1,058.69	0	7,953.49	0	2,916.62	40,345.19	39,988.31
Fund Balance	-23,265.51	73,854.45	45.55	8,792.10	58,057.14	25,775.31	21.32	7,916.56	296,598.41	447,795.33

City of Fertile Deposits

As of February 28, 2021

			Accrual Basis
	Type	Date	Amount
Operating Accounts			
Checking			
Deposit	02/01/2021	Farm to Market Deposit	2,012.99
Deposit	02/01/2021	Property Taxes	260.72
Deposit	02/01/2021	Clerkbooks Deposit	0.00
Deposit	02/01/2021	Lien Interest Deposit	5.00
Deposit	02/03/2021	Utility Deposit	600.84
Deposit	02/03/2021	Casino Funds Deposit	3,026.72
Deposit	02/03/2021	Iowa Interactive Utility Deposit	109.98
Deposit	02/05/2021	Paypal Utility Deposit	407.27
Deposit	02/08/2021	Utility Deposit	2,073.97
Deposit	02/11/2021	Iowa Interactive Utility Deposit	389.62
Deposit	02/12/2021	Iowa Interactive Utility Deposit	59.74
Deposit	02/17/2021	Utility Deposit	2,178.90
Deposit	02/17/2021	Lien Payments Deposit	459.58
Deposit	02/17/2021	Library Worth County Deposit	9,500.00
Deposit	02/17/2021	Iowa Interactive Utility Deposit	54.80
Deposit	02/17/2021	Road Use Tax	1,713.06
Deposit	02/22/2021	Paypal Utility Deposit	87.09
Deposit	02/22/2021	ACH Utility Deposit	3,103.04
Deposit	02/24/2021	Utility Deposit	1,456.05
Deposit	02/24/2021	Local Option Sales Tax	2,758.80
Deposit	02/25/2021	Utility Deposit	2,986.83
Deposit	02/25/2021	Iowa Interactive Utility Deposit	143.12
Deposit	02/28/2021	Interest	41.26
Total Checking			33,429.38
Roads Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	02/28/2021	Interest	0.53
Total Savings			0.53
Total Roads Revenue Accounts			0.53
Water Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	02/28/2021	Interest	2.60
Total Savings			2.60
Total Water Revenue Accounts			2.60
Sewer Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	02/28/2021	Interest	2.27
Total Savings			2.27
CD			
Total CD			2.27
Total Sewer Revenue Accounts			2.27
TOTAL			33,434.78

City of Fertile Bills Paid

As of February 28, 2021

	Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Accrual Basis Amount
Operating Accounts						
Checking						
Check		02/01/2021	TRANSFER	City of Fertile	Capital Funds - Resolution 21-1-19-1	0.00
Paycheck		02/01/2021	9879	Bruns, Warren	Water & Sewer Supervisor	-300.21
Paycheck		02/01/2021	9880	Lunning, Wendy S	City Clerk	-527.36
Check		02/01/2021	ACH	Citibusiness Card	(L) Books & CDs, Supplies, DVDs, Postage & Magazines	-280.17
Check		02/01/2021	CORR	Larsen Plumbing & Heating	Correction to Original Transaction 01/20/2021.	0.00
Check		02/01/2021	TRANSFER	City of Fertile	Capital Funds - Resolution 21-02-16-3	0.00
Paycheck		02/03/2021	9878	Roberts, Stephen J	City Maintenance	-1,163.29
Bill Pmt -Check		02/03/2021	9881	Hawkins, Inc.	Chlorine Cylinder	-10.00
Bill Pmt -Check		02/03/2021	9882	Kramer Ace Hardware	Spray Paint for Picnic Tables	-13.77
Bill Pmt -Check		02/03/2021	9883	WCTA	Telephone/Internet	-202.73
Bill Pmt -Check		02/03/2021	9884	Worth County Engineer v	Fuel for Skid Loader, Plow Truck, Sand/Salt Mix	-805.30
Bill Pmt -Check		02/10/2021	9885	Alliant Energy	Electric	-1,279.34
Bill Pmt -Check		02/10/2021	9886	Five Star CO-OP	Gas for Truck	-64.07
Bill Pmt -Check		02/10/2021	9887	IMFOA	Annual dues	-50.00
Bill Pmt -Check		02/10/2021	9888	Marco	Copier, Printer, Fax	-94.80
Bill Pmt -Check		02/10/2021	9890	Office of Auditor of State	Periodic Audit Fee	-1,200.00
Bill Pmt -Check		02/10/2021	9891	US Bank	Intuit Payroll Subscription, Postage, Binder & Pens	-779.34
Bill Pmt -Check		02/10/2021	9892	Waste Management		-2,483.01
Liability Check		02/12/2021	EFT	United States Treasury		-1,260.38
Liability Check		02/12/2021	EFT	IPERS	(L)	-324.72
Liability Check		02/12/2021	EFT	IPERS		-592.20
Bill Pmt -Check		02/12/2021	9893	Worth County Engineer v	2020 Road Project December & January Snow Removal (7 hours @ \$12.00 per hour)	-33,611.33
Bill Pmt -Check		02/16/2021	9894	Hanna Chris		-84.00
Paycheck		02/16/2021	9900	Arndt, Linda J		-181.30
Paycheck		02/16/2021	9901	Knudson, Loni	Direct Deposit	0.00
Paycheck		02/16/2021	9902	Thompson, Angela M	Direct Deposit	0.00
Paycheck		02/17/2021	9895	Roberts, Stephen J	City Maintenance	-1,163.30
Bill Pmt -Check		02/17/2021	9897	Baker & Taylor	(L) Books & CDs	-225.92
Bill Pmt -Check		02/17/2021	9898	MicroMarketing	(L) Books	-39.99
Bill Pmt -Check		02/17/2021	9899	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	-84.54
Liability Check		02/18/2021		QuickBooks Payroll Service	Created by Payroll Service on 02/17/2021	-1,677.41
Check		02/20/2021	ACH	WCTA	(L)Telephone	-41.95
Bill Pmt -Check		02/23/2021	9889	North Iowa Media Group	Publish Max Levy Budget Public Hearing	-27.42
Check		02/23/2021	ACH	Iowa Events Center	Parking	-10.00
Bill Pmt -Check		02/24/2021	9903	AgSource Laboratories	Water Testing	-32.00
Bill Pmt -Check		02/24/2021	9904	ClerkBooks	1000 Checks	-227.04
Check		02/24/2021	ACH	Iowa Events Center	Parking	-10.00
Check		02/24/2021	ACH	Kwik Star	Gas	-53.92
Bill Pmt -Check		02/25/2021	9896	Alliant Energy		-964.25
Bill Pmt -Check		02/25/2021	9915	Alliant Energy	Electric	-1,391.64
Bill Pmt -Check		02/25/2021	9916	Globe Gazette	FY 2021/2022 Budget	-125.44
Bill Pmt -Check		02/25/2021	9917	Larsen Plumbing & Heating	Gas Value & Thermocoupler for Water Plant	-200.55
Bill Pmt -Check		02/25/2021	9918	Marco	Copier, Printer, Fax	-94.80
Bill Pmt -Check		02/25/2021	9919	Midwest Wheel Companies		-441.77
Bill Pmt -Check		02/25/2021	9920	US Bank		-207.08
Bill Pmt -Check		02/25/2021	9921	USA Blue Book	Water Testing	-183.48
Bill Pmt -Check		02/25/2021	9922	Waste Management		-2,483.01
Bill Pmt -Check		02/28/2021		ClerkBooks A/P Adjust	QuickBooks generated zero amount transaction for bill payment stub	
Total Checking						-54,992.83
Petty Cash						
Total Petty Cash						
Total Operating Accounts						-54,992.83
TOTAL						-54,992.83