

City of Fertile

City Council Meeting Minutes

March 15, 2022 - 7:00 PM, City Hall

Call to Order & Roll Call:

- Mayor, Nick Bailey, called the council meeting to order. Present were: Council Members: Penny Miller, Holly Lovick-Hanna, and Tim Severson. Maintenance Manager: Steve Roberts. City Clerk: Wendy Lunning.
- Penny motioned, Tim 2nd to approve the minutes of the February meeting.** Unanimous
- Tim motioned, Holly 2nd 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

Appoint Council Member: There were three candidates that expressed interest in the vacant council seat: Andy Carlson, Rick Anderson & Daniel Versteeg. Andy Carlson received two (2) votes & Daniel Versteeg received one (1) vote, • Nick swore in Andy Carlson as appointed city council member. Andy signed Oath of Office.

Public Hearing:

- The City of Fertile maximum property tax dollars for the affected tax levies for FY23 shall not exceed \$108,474.
- 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. There were no comments.
- Nick closed the public hearing
- Penny motioned, Andy 2nd to approve the Max Levy Budget for Fiscal Year 2023. Roll call vote: Tim –aye; Penny –aye; Holly –aye; Andy –aye.** Unanimous
- The City of Fertile estimated property tax dollars levied per \$1000 valuation on regular property 12.03556 for FY 23.
- Penny motioned, Tim 2nd to approve Budget for Fiscal year 2023. Roll call vote: Tim –aye; Penny –aye; Holly –aye; Andy –aye.** Unanimous

Maintenance Report:

- Steve is getting equipment (chain saw, mower, etc.) ready for summer.
- Steve has been working on cleaning up the park.
- The City of Fertile received grant from Trees Forever to put new trees in the park. Steve will be managing this.
- Steve worked on air lock in the pump at the water plant.
- Holly motioned, Tim 2nd to approve the Maintenance report.** Unanimous

Mayor's Report:

- Sophie Rivera resigned March 15, 2022. Vacant Council Seat will be appointed on April 19, 2022. Eligible electors of the City of Fertile, Iowa, wanting to be considered for appointment should contact, mayor or city clerk prior to the meeting on April 19, 2022.
- Fire Department radios have been received and installed.
- Fertile Library will be holding Fiesta Supper March 19th 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Fertile Community Center. There will also be a silent auction.

- If you see any suspicious activity, you are asked to call the Worth County Sheriff at (641) 324-3668. Thank you for keeping our community safe.
- 3-3-26 PARKING DURING SNOW EMERGENCY. No person shall park, abandon, or leave unattended any vehicle on any public street, alley, or City-owned off-street parking area during the time snow or ice begins to accumulate through the duration of the snow or ice storm unless the snow or ice has been removed or plowed from said street, alley or parking area and the snow has ceased to fall. The ban shall be enforced whenever the parking of a vehicle interferes with the removal of snow or ice. If the owner of a vehicle in violation of this ban fails to promptly remove such vehicle, the vehicle will receive a citation and a towing service will be contacted for the purpose of removing said vehicle at the owner's expense. (Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236)
- Penny motioned, Holly 2nd to approve the Mayor's report.** Unanimous

City Clerk's Report:

- Penny motioned, Tim 2nd to approve purchase of upgrade to 2022 Quickbooks.** Unanimous. The upgrade is needed for the Quickbooks payroll subscription.
- Tim motioned, Holly 2nd to approve 10 hours of support for Clerkbooks.** Unanimous
- Holly motioned, Andy 2nd to approve resolution setting time and place for Budget Public Hearing to apply for a CDGB-CV (Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus) Grant for a Microenterprise Project with Café Mir as Developer for Property at 113 West Main Street. Roll call vote: Tim –aye; Penny –aye; Holly –aye; Andy –aye.** Unanimous
- Holly motioned, Tim 2nd to approve Financial Reports.** Unanimous
Financials are at the end of this report.
- Penny motioned, Andy 2nd to approve February Bills.** Unanimous
- Liens presented to the Council were as follows:
111 W Main Street \$260.00
103 First Street North \$301.28
Holly motioned, Penny 2nd to process lien with Worth county Treasurer. Unanimous

Council Report:

- Council will be seeking estimates for grants to repair the Tennis Courts,
- If you are interested in being a part of the Holiday lighting display, please contact City Hall.

Committee Report:

- Tim mentioned there were cracks on Washington that needs to be repaired.
- Andy Carlson agreed to be on the Winn Worth Betco board as representative for the City of Fertile.

Public Comments:

- No comments.

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

- The Fertile City Council will meet for public hearing and regular session April 19, 2022 at 7:00pm at Fertile Community Center.
- Holly motioned, Penny 2nd to adjourn the meeting.** Unanimous

Summary:

Max Levy Budget Hearing and Approval
 Budget Hearing and Approval
 Council Member Appointed
 Council Member resigned

Wendy Lunning, City Clerk

7/1/2021 to 2/28/2022	General	ARPA	Roads	Emergency	EE Benefits	LOST Pre 01/01/2020	LOST Post 01/01/2020	WCDA	Capital Projects	Utilities	Total
Income	213,874.45	26,914.13	30,900.46	591.68	5,191.09	0	34,528.58	3,000.00	3,749.94	141,439.70	460,190.03
Expense	189,780.06	0	15,740.01	0	5,944.17	0	45,991.82	7,614.00	0	112,634.43	377,704.39
Total	24,094.39	26,914.13	15,160.45	591.68	-753.08	0	-11,463.24	-4,614.00	3,749.94	28,805.37	82,485.64
Fund Balance	33,974.79	26,914.13	98,341.55	591.68	9,716.78	58,057.14	14,104.12	-4,592.68	12,499.82	329,994.71	579,602.04

City of Fertile Deposits

As of February 28, 2022

Type	Date	Memo	Accrual Basis Amount
Operating Accounts			
Checking			
Deposit	02/01/2022	Property Taxes	272.21
Deposit	02/02/2022	Utility Deposit	272.18
Deposit	02/03/2022	Casino Funds Deposit	2,328.82
Deposit	02/05/2022	Iowa Interactive Utility Deposit	202.69
Deposit	02/09/2022	WCDA Deposit	3,000.00
Deposit	02/09/2022	Utility Deposit	2,768.29
Deposit	02/09/2022	Paypal Utility Deposit	378.77
Deposit	02/09/2022	Utility Deposit	2,449.59
Deposit	02/14/2022	Paypal Utility Deposit	221.80
Deposit	02/15/2022	Road Use Tax	1,777.64
Deposit	02/16/2022	Clerkbooks Deposit	0.00
Deposit	02/16/2022	Facility Rental Deposit	100.00
Deposit	02/16/2022	Farm to Market Deposit	1,625.79
Deposit	02/17/2022	Fine Deposit	14.28
Deposit	02/20/2022	Paypal Utility Deposit	96.02
Deposit	02/22/2022	ACH CCD Utility Deposit	743.47
Deposit	02/22/2022	ACH PPD Utility Deposit	3,451.01
Deposit	02/23/2022	Utility Deposit	1,587.60
Deposit	02/23/2022	Library Deposit	15.00
Deposit	02/24/2022	Local Option Sales Tax	2,849.24
Deposit	02/28/2022	Lien Payment Deposit	410.72
Deposit	02/28/2022	Interest	59.52
Total Checking			24,624.64
Roads Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	02/28/2022	Interest	0.13
Total Savings			0.13
Total Roads Revenue Accounts			0.13
Water Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	02/28/2022	Interest	1.30
Total Savings			1.30
Total Water Revenue Accounts			1.30
Sewer Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	02/28/2022	Interest	1.14
Total Savings			1.14
Total Sewer Revenue Accounts			1.14
TOTAL			24,627.21

City of Fertile Bills Paid

As of February 28, 2022

						Accrual Basis
Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount	
Operating Accounts						
Checking						
Check	02/01/2022	ACH	Citibusiness Card	(L) Books & CDs, Programs, DVDs & Magazines	-146.88	
Paycheck	02/02/2022	10314	Bruns, Warren	Water & Sewer Supervisor	-301.21	
Paycheck	02/02/2022	10315	Lunning, Wendy S	City Clerk	-527.82	
Paycheck	02/02/2022	10316	Roberts, Stephen J	City Maintenance	-1,196.70	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/02/2022	10317	Fertile Reminder	Advertisement Costs	-220.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/02/2022	10318	Hawkins, Inc.	Chlorine	-15.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/02/2022	10319	Quality Pump & Control	Pressure snubbers	-614.76	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/02/2022	10320	WCTA	Telephone/Internet	-218.36	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/02/2022	10321	Wendy Lunning - v	Mileage to Bank (39 miles @ .585 per mile)	-22.82	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/09/2022	10322	AgSource Laboratories	Water Testing	-13.50	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/09/2022	10323	Alliant Energy	Electric	-1,258.54	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/09/2022	10324	Fertile Days	WCDA Contribution	-3,000.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/09/2022	10325	Five Star CO-OP	Gas for Truck	-260.52	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/09/2022	10326	Iowa Assn. of Municipal Utilities	Annual Dues	-608.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/09/2022	10327	Iowa One Call	Water locates	-14.40	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/09/2022	10328	Iowa Rural Water Association	2022 Annual Conference	-370.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/09/2022	10329	Kramer Ace Hardware		-30.56	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/09/2022	10330	Larsen Plumbing & Heating	Parts	-5.32	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/09/2022	10331	Nelson Septic Services, LLC	JANUARY - Portable Restroom	-269.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/09/2022	10332	US Bank	Intuit Payroll, Postage, Parts for Water Plant, Microsoft	-913.94	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/09/2022	10333	Waste Management		-2,561.12	
Liability Check	02/09/2022	EFTPS	United States Treasury	42-1028074	-1,329.54	
Liability Check	02/14/2022	EFT	IPERS	(L)	-343.31	
Liability Check	02/14/2022	EFT	IPERS		-646.77	
Check	02/16/2022	TRANSFER	City of Fertile	Capital Funds - Resolution 20-3-17-1	0.00	
Paycheck	02/16/2022	10334	Roberts, Stephen J		-1,196.70	
Paycheck	02/16/2022	10335	Arndt, Linda J	Direct Deposit	0.00	
Paycheck	02/16/2022	10336	Knudson, Loni	Direct Deposit	0.00	
Paycheck	02/16/2022	10337	Thompson, Angela M	Direct Deposit	0.00	
Liability Check	02/17/2022		QuickBooks Payroll Service	Created by Payroll Service on 02/16/2022	-1,989.16	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/17/2022	10338	Alliant Energy	Electric	-797.97	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/17/2022	10339	Black Hills Energy	Natural Gas	-1,497.43	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/17/2022	10340	Marco	Copier, Printer, Fax	-99.54	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/17/2022	10341	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	-85.35	
Check	02/20/2022	ACH	WCTA	(L)Telephone	-42.17	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/23/2022	10342	Office of Auditor of State	Periodic Audit Fee	-800.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/28/2022	10346	Swank Movie Licensing USA	(L) Movie License	-184.00	
Check	02/28/2022	CORR		Correction Fund for rent deposit 12/15/2021 s/b Community Center	0.00	
Check	02/28/2022	TRNS	Fertile Little League	Annual City Contribution	0.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	02/28/2022		ClerkBooks A/P Adjust	QuickBooks generated zero amount transaction for bill payment stub		
Total Checking					-21,580.39	
TOTAL					-21,580.39	