

Fruitland City Council Meeting at City Hall

Tuesday, January 11th, 2022

6:00 pm – Budget Session – Present were Smith, Hogan, Hills, Painter, Hillman and Garrett. Expenses were discussed and Garrett made a motion to adjourn.

7:00 pm – Council meeting

Roll Call – Smith, Hogan, Hills, Painter, Hillman and Garrett were present.

Minutes of Last Meeting – Painter made a motion to approve minutes of last meeting and Hogan 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Agenda – Garrett made a motion to approve agenda and Painter 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report – Painter made a motion to approve financial report and Hogan 2nd. Motion passed unanimously. Fund balances are as follows: Road - \$53,186.33 LOST Sewer & Water - \$60,153.67 LOST Lawful - \$221,232.83.

Old Business

Security Cameras/Wi-Fi – JJ Koehler from F.S.S. Inc. made a presentation to purchase cameras to install at Drake Park. After discussion, Painter made a motion to approve the five camera system per quote with option of additional three at a later date including to add internet. Garrett 2nd and motion passed unanimously.

Nuisance Abatement – Shoppa advised that she spoke to Matt Dingbaum from the IDOT and he advised that 90% of vehicles on the property have been removed. He will continue to report progress.

Community Center Tables & Chairs – Painter received a quote from VH Willis to provide sixteen table tops to replace current ones for \$296.10 per table. No motion was made.

Television for Community Center – Garrett made a motion to spend up to \$800 for a 65" television and wall mount. Hogan 2nd the motion and it passed unanimously.

Stop Signs at Emerald Lane & Spitz Drive Intersection – Survey concluded that the majority of residents wanted the STOP signs removed. Smith made a motion to have them removed and Painter 2nd. Motion passed 4-1 with Garrett voting against it.

New Business

New Fire Chief – Keith Henkel introduced himself as new Fire Chief taking place of Don Briggs who will retire next February after 45 years. Henkel would like more communication with the City Council and would like to attend monthly meetings. He reported 190 unofficial calls with 17 members including 5 EMS members.

Increased Railroad Traffic – Hills reported that he had a meeting with the Canadian Pacific Railroad concerning a merger between them and Kansas City Southern who informed him that train traffic will increase to approximately fourteen more trains a day. Hills would like to check into getting a quiet zone.

Purchasing Maintenance Equipment – Painter made a motion to purchase a used 8’ Woods rear mount rotary cutter for \$6,500 with a trade in of \$200 from Cove Equipment. Hogan 2nd and motion passed unanimously.

Survey Sand Run Road – Martin & Whitacre quoted \$800 to survey land between North Street and Spencer Ave. to locate pins to clean brush area. No motion was made.

Update Ordinance to Comply with Election Requirements – Garrett made a motion to approve language of nominating method and Painter 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve First Reading of Nominating Method to be Used Ordinance No. 2022-001 – Garrett made a motion to approve first reading of Ordinance No. 2022-001 and Painter 2nd. Roll call was made and it was unanimous.

Waive Second & Third Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-001 – Painter made a motion to waive second and third reading of Ordinance no 2022-001 and Smith 2nd. Roll call was made and it was unanimous.

Approve Mad Marv’s Liquor License – Painter made a motion to approve Mad Marv’s liquor license and Garrett 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Set/Discuss Public Hearing Date for Maximum Property Tax Levy Rate – Painter made a motion to set the maximum property tax levy rate to 7.75 and Garrett 2nd. Motion passed unanimously. Public hearing date was set for February 8th, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Correspondence

Citizen’s Opportunity

Paid Bills Report – Painter made a motion to approve paid bills report and Garrett 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Closing Comments – Mayor Hills welcomed the new City Council members.

Adjourn – Garrett made a motion to adjourn.

Marty Hills, Mayor

Becca Shoppa, City Clerk