

Fruitland City Council Meeting at City Hall

Tuesday, November 8th, 2022

6:00 pm – Council Meeting

Roll Call – Smith, Hogan, Painter, Garrett and Hillman were present. Hills arrived at 6:46 p.m. and the meeting was turned over to him.

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

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

Financial Report – Painter made a motion to approve financial report and Smith 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Fund balances are as follows: Operating - \$600,698.33, Garbage - \$15,013.33, Fruitland Fun Days - \$-1,780.45, Road - \$60,417.93, LOST Sewer & Water - \$54,180.60, LOST Lawful - \$234,977.68, Iowa Cares Act - \$23,338.77, ARPA - \$146,831.54, Park Activities: Park Improvement - \$41.00 and Park Activities: Shelter - \$33,716.66.

Old Business

Fire Department Update - None

Library Update – Barbara Thompson provided data on participation for the library and it is going well. Next update will be January meeting. Barbara had received three complaints that she resolved.

Nuisance Abatement

161 Sand Run Road – Provided update and will be back at March 14th, 2023 meeting.

106 Emerald Lane – Hogan and Painter stopped and looked at the property and talked to Mr. Gaeta who was cleaning in the back yard. Painter made a motion to drop nuisance abatement and Hogan 2nd. Roll call was made and was unanimous.

101 Second Ave. – Painter and Hogan will check before due date and provide update at next council meeting.

Bike Path Update – Painter advised the Canadian Pacific Railroad owns land on Fitzsimmons Street so there is no opportunity for a bike path there.

Comprehensive Plan Update – City Council would like information from Bi-State to update comprehensive plan that they have offered to provide for us as part of our dues.

Discuss/Approve Railroad Contract – Painter made a motion to agree to settlement and Garrett 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Load Concrete Waiver – Painter rescinded his motion and Garrett made a motion to approve both waivers as written to be used when needed. City Council will need to approve which waiver to use when the need arises. Painter 2nd and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Fruitland Lions Club Veterans Memorial Update on Funds – Janina Hawley advised they have \$7215.54 left in a fund at the Community Foundation that they are transferring the use of to the City of Fruitland for ongoing maintenance. She also advised the Fruitland Lions Club voted and agreed to let the City of Fruitland use the money for security cameras. There is no time limit on the use of this money.

Discuss/Approve Camera Bid for Community Center – Painter made a motion to accept the bid from FSS Incorporated and Hogan 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Discuss Updated Community Center Rules – Rules were discussed and will be added to next months agenda and rental prices will be discussed during budget sessions.

Approve Employee Handbook Resolution 2022-11-08 – Garrett made a motion to approve handbook resolution 2022-11-08 and Smith 2nd. Motion passed unanimously by roll call.

Approve Dumpster Sizes/Cost – City Council would like Clerks to look at contract from Muscatine. Garrett made a motion to approve dumpster sizes and cost and Hogan 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence – Shoppa advised that she received positive feed back about train tracks on Sand Run Road.

Citizen's Opportunity – Garrett would like to update the junk and abandoned vehicles ordinance and put on next month's agenda.

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

Closing Comments – City Council would like to start with budget expenses at the next City Council meeting at 6:00 p.m. and the regular meeting starting at 7:00 p.m. on December 13th, 2022. Smith advised of safety issues on the corner of Turkey Road.

Adjourn – Painter made a motion to adjourn.

Susie Garrett, Mayor Pro-Tem

Marty Hills, Mayor

Becca Shoppa, City Clerk