

## **Fruitland City Council Meeting at City Hall**

**Tuesday, December 13th, 2022**

### **5:30 pm – Closed Meeting**

**Roll Call** – Hogan, Painter, Hills, Hillman, Garrett and Attorney Craig Oppel were present. Smith was absent.

**Approve Agenda** – Garrett made a motion to approve agenda and Painter 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.

**Council will vote to use closed session per Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(c) to discuss litigation strategy with legal counsel** – Garrett made a motion to go into closed session and Painter 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed with roll call.

**Adjourn** – Painter made a motion to adjourn and Garrett 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.

### **6:15 pm – Budget Session**

### **7:00 pm – Council Meeting**

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

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

**Approve Agenda** – Garrett made a motion to approve agenda and Hillman 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.

**Financial Report** – Garrett made a motion to approve financial report and Hillman 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously. Fund balances are as follows: Operating - \$598,239.31, Garbage - \$15,837.34, Fruitland Fun Days - \$-1,780.45, Road - \$63,942.99, LOST Sewer & Water - \$54,169.66, LOST Lawful - \$233,189.08, 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** – Chief Henkel reported the following fire calls for October – 8 fire calls with 4 township and 4 auto aid with Muscatine, 10 medical calls with 8 township and 2 city. For November he reported 11 fire calls with 6 township and 2 city, 2 auto aid with Muscatine and 1 mutual aid with Letts, 6 medical calls with 5 township and 1 city. Fire Department is working on their budget and will be having their annual blues and barbeque fest in July next year. He also reported that they need a new brush truck.

**Nuisance Abatement** – Due to weather City Council will extend abatement to May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 on 101 Second Ave. Painter made this motion and Hogan 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.

**Bike Path Update** – Painter reported a price of \$285,000 to provide a bike path from Crimson Ave. to Evergreen Lane from Bolton & Menk. He also reported a price of \$206,000 on Turkey Road and \$240,000 on North St. to city limits. Hills reported that he attended a meeting with Muscatine Trails Group about grants and they meet again in February. Painter will continue working with Bolton & Menk to get firm bid.

**Comprehensive Plan Update** – City Council would like to see all four maps updated from Bi-State after more research is done to make sure maps are correct.

### **New Business**

**Approve LL Pelling Proposal** – Painter made a motion to accept LL Pelling proposal and Hogan 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.

**Discuss/Approve Purchase of Utility Vehicle** – Hogan volunteered to remove snow from City properties a few times until we get bids for snow removal for these areas. Purchasing a utility vehicle will be tabled for now.

**Flag Markers for City Right-of-Way**- Hills reported that he spoke to Mr. Whitlow from Muscatine and they don't allow any flag markers.

**Correspondence** – Clerks advised they received a call to plant a memorial tree in honor of Natalie McCleary. This will be discussed in the spring.

### **Citizen's Opportunity**

**Paid Bills Report** – Hillman made a motion to approve paid bills report and Garrett 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.

**Closing Comments** – Clerks advised that community center rental info/prices, junk vehicles and Park Board terms were moved to January agenda.

**Adjourn** – Painter made a motion to adjourn.

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Marty Hills, Mayor

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Becca Shoppa, City Clerk