

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

**Tuesday, March 21st, 2023**

### **6:00 pm – Council Meeting**

**Roll Call** – Garrett, Hillman, Hills, Painter and Smith were present. Hogan attended via GoToMeeting but abstained from voting.

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

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

**Financial Report** – Painter made a motion to approve financial report and Smith 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously. Fund balances are as follows: Operating - \$578,540.28, Garbage - \$16,899.66, Fruitland Fun Days - \$-1,746.64, Debt Service - \$-14,231.25, Road - \$65,333.16, LOST Sewer & Water - \$53,944.66, LOST Lawful - \$274,512.33, Iowa Cares Act - \$23,338.77, ARPA - \$146,831.54, Park Activities: Park Improvement - \$41.00 and Park Activities: Shelter - \$33,716.97.

### **Old Business**

**Fire Department Update** - Haynes reported 6 medical calls and 3 fire for February. He also reported 3 medical and 4 fire calls for March so far. Soup supper had 202 people attend and \$4,800 profit.

**Discuss/Approve Fruitland Fire Agency Budget FY24** – Garrett made a motion to approve Fruitland Fire Agency FY24 budget and Hillman 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.

**Nuisance Abatement** – Spitznogle advised they are still working on the property and will attend meeting on July 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Bike Path Update** – Painter supplied a contract for City Council to review. He will have Bolton & Menk also quote a 5' bike path and report back next month. City Council would like the attorney and building inspector to review the contract.

**Comprehensive Plan Update** – Updates that the City Clerks provided were approved and will be forwarded to Bi-State.

**Ballfield Updates** – Ashley Ramer Loveless advised that ZWB Construction will begin work on ballfield March 31<sup>st</sup>. They will replace all fencing, concrete in dug outs (seats if necessary) and signage. She will provide before and after pictures and Hogan advised he can provide electricity and generators if needed.

### **New Business**

**Park Board Projects** – Ashley Ramer Loveless advised City Council of the four events including an Easter Egg hunt on April 2<sup>nd</sup> at Drake Park at 2 p.m.

**Lions Club Project** – Wayne Shoultz and Kay Chapman attended and would like suggestions from City Council on a project they could lead. Fruitland Lions Club motto is “We Serve” and 100% of the profit received is returned to Fruitland. This will be on next month’s agenda.

**New Insurance Bid** – Iowa Communities Assurance Pool (ICAP) Presentation – Willene White made a presentation to City Council to provide insurance for \$19,247.00 while our current provider, EMC, quoted \$26,165.04. Painter made a motion to approve using ICAP and Garrett 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.

**Audit Update** – City Clerks advised that the audit is almost done and will provide an update next month.

**Update Budget** - Set Amount for General Operating Reserve Funds/Update Fire Agency Budget Amount/Update Taxes for New Valuations – Amounts were discussed and budget will now be finalized.

**Set New Date for City Budget Public Hearing – April 11, 2023** – Garrett made a motion to set public hearing date for April 11, 2023 and Painter 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.

**Correspondence** – Painter advised of problem with trees blocking the view to the stop sign on Muscatine St. Hills advised they were trimmed. Hills will check stop sign distance to road as it doesn’t seem to meet specifications.

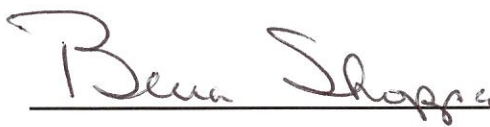
#### **Citizen’s Opportunity**

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

#### **Closing Comments**

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

  
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**Marty Hills, Mayor**

  
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**Becca Shoppa, City Clerk**