

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

**Tuesday, September 12th, 2023**

### **6:00 pm – Council Meeting**

**Roll Call** – Garrett, Hillman, Painter and Smith were present. Hogan attended via Go To Meeting but abstained from voting. Hills was absent.

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

**Approve Agenda** – Painter made a motion to approve agenda and Hillman 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 - \$621,695.86, Garbage - \$19,719.97, Park Improvement - \$33,757.97, Fruitland Fun Days - \$5,124.38, Road - \$97,126.30, LOST Sewer & Water - \$53,882.27, LOST Lawful - \$281,307.14, Iowa Cares Act - \$23,338.77, and ARPA - \$147,106.04.

### **Old Business**

**Bike Path/Sidewalk Update** – Adrian from Bolten & Menk provided preliminary drawings of proposed bike path. Slot drains were discussed to decrease standing water. Deputy Clerk advised we have received the first invoice. Discussions will continue next meeting.

**Nuisance Abatement** – 104 Sunrise Dr – Painter made a motion to send a letter about the fence and trees and Smith 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously. 106 Valley Dr – Painter made a motion to send a letter about two unlicensed vehicles and other junk on the property and Hillman 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously with Garrett abstaining from the vote. 142 Main St – Garrett made a motion to send letter about receiving a complaint and referencing ordinance about 8-inch grass height and Smith 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously. 161 Sand Run Rd – Painter made a motion to send letter based on list provided from checklist and Hillman 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously. 101 Second Ave and 115 Turkey Rd will be on next months agenda.

**Discuss Survey Update** – Painter made a motion to speak to the lawyer about what our next steps would be and Smith 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.

**Discuss Pavement Street Repair** – Hogan stated our maintenance workers could possibly put cold patch down on Cedar St. Deputy Clerk will find more options for next meeting.

**Fire Department Update** – Representative was not present to provide call numbers.

**Discuss/Approve Park Board Expenditure** – Park board was not present. Deputy Clerk advised of a possible idea of a splash pad.

**Discuss Junk & Abandoned Vehicles Ordinance** – Painter made a motion to send Muscatine’s ordinance to the lawyer to confirm it will hold up in court and Smith 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.

**Discuss Municipal Water System** – Garrett made a motion to not have city water in Fruitland and Painter 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.

**New Business**

**Approve Annual Financial Report** – Painter made a motion to submit the Annual Financial Report and Smith 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.

**Add Torie Roenfeldt as Fund Representative to Fruitland Lions All Veteran Project Fund** – Smith made a motion to approve the removal of Becca Shoppa as a Fund Representative and to approve the addition of Torie Roenfeldt as a Fund Representative to the Fruitland Lions All Veteran Project Fund and Hillman 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.

**Clerk Hours/Pay Rate/Approve Overtime** – Deputy Clerk made a statement on Mayor Hills behalf. Garrett made a motion to approve overtime if needed and Painter 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously. Discussion will continue next month.

**Fill Deputy Clerk Position** – Tabled until next month.

**Building Inspector Retirement** – Position will be posted. Need to look at our current code. Tabled until next month.

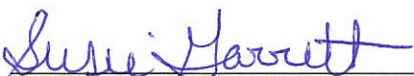
**Correspondence** – Deputy Clerk brought up cars parking on the street on Donna Drive. This will be added to next months agenda.

**Citizen’s Opportunity** – Discussions were had on the repair of Sunrise Drive and city water.

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

**Closing Comments**

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

  
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Susie Garrett, Mayor Pro Tem

  
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Torie Roenfeldt, Deputy Clerk