

Fruitland City Council Meeting at City Hall

Tuesday, January 9th, 2024

6:00 pm – Budget Session – Smith, Hogan, Painter, Hills and Hillman were present. Garrett was absent. Continued discussing expenses and Painter made a motion to adjourn.

7:00 pm – Council Meeting

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

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

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

Financial Report – Hogan made a motion to approve the financial report and Smith 2nd. Motion passed unanimously. Fund balances are as follows: Operating - \$711,973.47, Garbage - \$10,998.83, Park Improvement - \$33,857.97, Fruitland Fun Days – \$2,520.87, Debt Service - \$-13,668.75, Road - \$114,581.27, LOST Sewer & Water - \$53,999.32, LOST Lawful - \$314,324.42, Iowa Cares Act - \$23,338.77 and ARPA - \$147,644.01.

Old Business

Shared Use Path Update – Justin Ernst & Adrian Holmes from Bolton & Menk attended the meeting. They advised to talk to the residents that we need signatures from in order to proceed. They will be updating the plans into 2 phases and will get a bid alternate. Hills will contact Ron Shepard to see who we need to contact at the research farm.

Nuisance Abatement – 101 Second Ave will be on next months agenda as well as 161 Sand Run Rd. Painter made a motion to hand deliver the abatement notice to 104 Sunrise Dr, per the lawyer, and Hogan 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Fire Department Update – Clerk reported from Chief Haynes for December calls there were 12 EMS and 0 Fire calls in the City. Township had 5 EMS and 1 Fire call. 2 Auto Aid calls. Haynes will send a letter to provide to council in regards to financial assistance on a new medical unit to discuss next month. Clerk will discuss with Haynes the budget and getting a spreadsheet of the calls.

Library Update – Moved to next month due to the weather.

Discuss Junk & Abandoned Vehicles Ordinance – Waiting on clarification from the lawyer. Discussion will continue next month.

Building Inspector Retirement – Hills will reach out to Hansford to get his input on the building permit fees.

Park Bathroom – Painter made a motion to accept the \$2,193.13 bid from MidAmerica Basement to level the park bathroom and Hogan 2nd. Motion passed unanimously. Hogan made a motion to accept the \$2,950 bid from TSR Concrete Coatings to fix the bathroom floor and Smith 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Set Public Hearing Date for Shared Use Path – Tabled until next month to get more information.

New Business

Correspondence – Per DNR residents on Evergreen Ln with a squirrel problem can catch and release.

Citizen’s Opportunity

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

Closing Comments – Another Budget Session in January was discussed and date will be finalized and posted.

Adjourn – Painter made a motion to adjourn.



Marty Hills, Mayor



Torie Roenfeldt, City Clerk