

Fruitland City Council Meeting at City Hall

Tuesday, August 13th, 2024

6:00 pm – Council Meeting

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

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

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

Financial Report – Painter made a motion to approve the financial report and Garrett 2nd. Motion passed unanimously. Fund balances are as follows: Operating - \$635,915.49, Garbage - \$10,853.80, Park Improvement - \$33,857.97, Fruitland Fun Days – \$4,968.33, Road - \$90,134.22, LOST Sewer & Water - \$54,058.84, LOST Lawful - \$356,722.36, Iowa Cares Act - \$23,338.77 and ARPA - \$1,548.70.

Old Business

Shared Use Path Update – Seeding is all that is left for Phase 1 and will be done soon during the seeding window. An estimate for switching Phase 2 to the south side of North St with cement next to the road was provided. Painter made a motion to approve up to \$15,000 for the engineering services to switch the plans to the south side and Hogan 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Nuisance Abatement – Mowing was discussed, and the Clerk will put a flyer in everyone's garbage bill about the mowing ordinance. Council decided we need to have a workshop with the attorney to discuss our ordinances and how to proceed going forward. Clerk will contact the attorney to check availability.

Fire Department Update – Clerk reported that there was 1 EMS call in the City, 2 EMS calls in the Township, 6 auto aid and 1 mutual aid. After Council discussion this agenda item will be moved to quarterly updates starting in November.

Discuss Pavement Street Repair – Didn't receive a formal bid yet. Clerk will send out the list of concrete repairs for the next meeting. Maintenance guys are finishing up around town.

Discuss Junk & Abandoned Vehicles Ordinance – This will be discussed during attorney workshop.

Fruitland Fun Day – Ashley provided updates on Fruitland Fun Day. The theme for the parade is "One in a Melon". The majority of events will be the same as last year with a few new additions. It will be no charge admission again with everything at the park. Garrett made a motion to approve purchasing a bubble foam machine, stand and two bottles of soap up to \$2,000 and Painter 2nd. Motion passed unanimously. The bag boards were discussed due to TanTara asking for them back. Clerk advised from what she found the City paid

for them and will let TanTara know we have them and they can rent them whenever they need. The budget was discussed for the contribution from the City. Clerk will discuss with Hills and determine what needs to be done with the budget.

Parking on Roadway Update – This will be discussed during attorney workshop.

New Business

Employee Handbook Update – Clerk advised maintenance would like to see the vacation time be able to be used hourly instead of half or whole day increments. Council will work on adding language to the holiday pay policy to not exceed an employee's regular hourly week.

Approve Pay Application – Did not have one for the previous month.

Approve Liquor License for Travelin' Sips Mobile Bar, LLC – Fruitland Fun Day – Garrett made a motion to approve the liquor license and Hogan 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Discuss/Approve Proline Quote – Hills added to the quote repainting the lines on the bike path that were covered by the railroad repairs. Painter made a motion to add the additional line painting into the quote not to exceed \$3,500 and Hogan 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Discuss/Approve Carpet Cleaning Expenditure – Painter made a motion to approve the quote to clean the whole building and Garrett 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Street Financial Report – Clerk advised Council the report was finished, and the numbers matched so this will be submitted to the Iowa Department of Transportation.

Correspondence – Hogan advised of 105 West St needing mowed – this will be covered with the notice going out to everyone in the garbage billing.

Citizen's Opportunity

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

Closing Comments – Hills advised after speaking with the attorney about the fence and the corner of Turkey Rd, the City is not obligated to do anything but recommended informing both property owners, so they know for future reference.

Adjourn – Painter made a motion to adjourn.



Marty Hills, Mayor



Torie Roenfeldt, City Clerk