

**Ruthven City Council Meeting
February 20, 2018 - 6:30 PM**

The Ruthven City Council, of the City of Ruthven, Iowa, met on the 20th Day of February, 2018, at 6:30 PM, in regular session, in Council Chambers at City Hall, pursuant to law and to the rules of said council.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor David J Kirk in the Chair, and the roll being called, the following members were present; Mitch Anderson, Dustin Johnson, Marci Simington and Terrence Williams Absent; Jay Schoning (Councilman Williams exited at 6:50 p.m. for fire call and returned again at 7:32 p.m.)

City employees present: Michael Loder and Margaret Tatman. Public: Nancy Foertsch, TJ Wells, Lenny Larsen, Jerry & Joni Sutherland.

Motion Anderson, second Johnson to approve Minutes from February 6, 2018 City Council Meeting, Claims Report, Clerk's Financial Reports and Applications and Payouts of PACGDC Housing Grants for 2206 Mitchell St and 1901 Highland St. Vote: Ayes; Anderson, Johnson, Simington and Williams. Nays; None Absent; Schoning

Bids were gone over for demolition of building on city property at 3482 Old Highway 18. Motion Simington, second Williams to approve bid in amount of \$13,000.00 from Ruthven Rocks as winning low bid for demolition of city building at 3482 Old Highway 18. Vote: Ayes; Anderson, Johnson, Simington and Williams. Nays; None Absent; Schoning

Motion Johnson, second Anderson to approve Resolution 13-2018-A Resolution Approving a Palo Alto County Gaming Commercial Demolition Grant Application of the City of Ruthven for Demolition of City Commercial Property Located at 3482 Old Hwy 18. Roll Call Vote: Ayes; Anderson, Johnson, Simington and Williams. Nays; None Absent; Schoning

Motion Simington, second Johnson to approve Resolution 14-2018 – A Resolution Approving and Iowa DNR Derelict Building Grant Application of the City of Ruthven for Demolition of City Commercial Property Located at 3482 Old Hwy 18. Roll Call Vote: Ayes; Anderson, Johnson, Simington and Williams. Nays; None Absent; Schoning

Citizens Jerry & Joni Sutherland were present to talk to the council about the water and sewer at their residence and cost of their bills. Mayor Kirk asked Clerk Tatman to get a list together for the Sutherlands of organization's that may be able to help them with water and sewer issues in their house.

Lenny Larsen and TJ Wells of I&S Engineering were on hand to go over updates on both phases of the sewer projects. A meeting is being set-up with Hulstein Excavating for next week to go over project final fixes so it can be completed. Phase two is now in preliminary design with Flood Plain Permit paperwork being sent in this week. Bidding is scheduled for late summer, early fall of 2018.

Discussion was held on what to do with the baby pool that has not been working for last 4 summers. Since a splash pad that recycles the water and doesn't drain the water right out is at an estimated \$300,000.00 and building a new pool is at an estimated \$750,000.00 decision was made to get two to three quotes to fix the baby pool pump and any drain or piping that is needed. Cost for this will hopefully be under \$20,000.00 and will allow us to have an area again for babies and toddlers to swim.

Mayor Kirk shared with the council that there will need to be a meeting with the Ruthven Library Board at an upcoming council meeting to discuss policies, employee pay and holidays.

Motion Anderson, second Simington to adjourn meeting at 7:37 p.m. Vote: Ayes; Anderson, Johnson, Simington and Williams. Nays; None Absent; Schoning

Signed:

David J. Kirk, Mayor

Attest:

Margaret Tatman, City Clerk