

**Ruthven City Council Meeting
April 22, 2020 - 6:30 PM**

A regular council meeting of the Ruthven City Council was held April 22, 2020. In order to help stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus, this council meeting of the Ruthven City Council was held electronically. Chapter 21.8 of the Iowa Code does permit an electronic meeting where all members participate remotely when an in-person meeting is impossible or impractical, which is certainly true during this crisis. On March 19, 2020, Governor Reynolds issued a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency which included a suspension of Iowa laws that would prevent the use of electronic meetings or the limitation on the number of people present at an in-person meeting site. Therefore, Councilman Jay Schoning and City Employee Margaret Tatman were present at Ruthven City Hall at 1305 Gowrie St. The agenda and the City's social media had this message posted more than 24 hours in advance to give instructions on how others could participate in the meeting: Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the City of Ruthven will be holding this city council meeting electronically via a Zoom conference call. If you would like to participate, just before the meeting start time, you must enter click the link <https://zoom.us/j/94981244140> and enter Meeting ID: 949 8124 4140. Only staff is allowed in city hall.

The Ruthven City Council, of the City of Ruthven, Iowa, met on the 22nd Day of April, 2020, 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 either in person or via video conference: Dustin Johnson, Jay Schoning, Marci Simington and Terrence Williams. Absent: None Mitch Anderson,

Public-via video conference: Kelly Evan, ISG Engineering and Nancy Foertsch, LISSD. City employees present in person: Margaret Tatman.

Motion Schoning, second Johnson to approve: minutes from April 8, 2020 council meeting, summary list of claims and clerk's financial reports. Vote-Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

Mobile Food Vendors in town were discussed. Our current ordinance is sufficient. We will deal with food vendors one by one and use the current Transient Merchant code.

Kelly Evans of ISG Engineering spoke with Mayor and Council about the upcoming Water System Project. Met with city staff a few weeks ago. An estimated cost of an approximate \$2,300,000.00 for new well, upgrades to water system plant and for water system line upgrades. He divided the project into three (3) phases. With CDBG Grants that we can apply for and the 50% SRF Forgivable loan the city cost would come to \$900,000.00 if all grants and forgivable loans are awarded to the city. New well will be put just north of the softball field in city park property. The need to pass an Ordinance for Well control zones was discussed and will need to be done along the way.

Motion Williams, second Johnson to Move Forward with the Water Projects. Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Motion Schoning, second Williams to accept the Owner and Engineer agreement for the water projects. Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Motion Williams, second Johnson to Authorize Mayor Kirk and City Clerk Tatman the ability to Sign Planning & Design Loan upon Receipt. Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Motion Simington, second Schoning to approve Resolution No. 16-2020 - A resolution Setting the Time and Place for a Public Hearing on the 2019-2020 City Budget Amendment of May 13, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. and Directing the Publication of Notice. Roll Call Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Update on rental building roof and pool painting were given by Clerk Tatman.

City nuisance complaint at 1007 Washington St. is taken care of and in compliance.

Motion Williams, second Johnson to adjourn meeting at 6:50 p.m. Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Signed:

Attest:

David J. Kirk, Mayor of Ruthven

Margaret Tatman, City Clerk