

## **Ruthven City Council Meeting**

**May 22, 2024 – 6:30 PM**

The Ruthven City Council, of the City of Ruthven, Iowa, met on the 22nd Day of May 2024, at 6:30 PM, in regular session, at the Ruthven Social Center, pursuant to law and to the rules of said council.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Johnson in the Chair, and the roll being called, the following members were present: Maya Cacek, Morgan Miller, Terrence Williams and Hailey Derrickson, Absent: Mitch Anderson

City employees present: Jessica Schneider, Dave Conlon

Public: Jay Schoning, Kevin Bates and Lenny Larson (Via Phone)

Motion Williams, second Cacek to approve Minutes from May 8th, 2024, City Council Meeting, Claims Report and Clerk's Financials. Vote: Ayes; Cacek, Miller, Derrickson and Williams Nays: Absent: Anderson

Motion Williams, second Derrickson to approve Resolution 22-2024 a resolution setting public hearing to consider proposed plans, specifications, form of contract, and estimated total cost of project, and to establish bidding process including setting a BID date and a date for consideration of BIDS for the 2024 City of Ruthven Utility Extension (sewer and water) project. Vote: Ayes; Cacek, Miller, Derrickson and Williams Nays: Absent: Anderson

Motion Derrickson Second Miller to table the approval of Change Order NO. 1 – Ruthven Water Treatment Plant Improvements until we hear back about CDBG. Vote: Ayes; Cacek, Miller, Derrickson and Williams Nays: Absent: Anderson

Discussion was had on the 2nd consideration of the new rates for the Ruthven Municipal Waterworks System. DA Davidson worked on the required pro forma that is needed to be in place. The basic service charge being \$40.00 with the usage charges (per 1,000 gallons) being \$8.00. Motion Williams Second Derrickson to pass the 2nd consideration and continue with the 3rd reading on June 12th at the next council meeting. Vote: Ayes; Cacek, Miller, Derrickson and Williams Nays: Absent: Anderson

Clerk Schneider opened the BIDS from AJ's Service and from Jeralds Tree Service for the removal of the tree at 1805 Highland. Motion Derrickson Second Cacek to approve AJ's Service BID. Vote: Ayes; Cacek, Miller, Derrickson and Williams Nays: Absent: Anderson

Clerk Schneider presented the marque sign policy from the past and wanted to do some updates with the new sign. Motion Derrickson, Second by Miller to continue putting up messages for non-profit groups, churches and schools at no charge but to also add that birthdays, anniversaries, showers, benefits etc. can advertise at a rate of \$20.00. Local Businesses may advertise on the sign the events they have going on for \$35.00 and it will be on the sign for 1 week. Vote: Ayes; Cacek, Miller, Derrickson and Williams Nays: Absent: Anderson

Mayor Johnson appointed Sarah Stillman to the board of adjustments. Motion Miller second Derrickson to approve the appointment. Vote: Ayes; Cacek, Miller, Derrickson and Williams Nays: Absent: Anderson

Councilmember Derrickson had to leave the meeting at this time.

Mayor Johnson appointed the councilmembers committee appointments. All council members were pleased with their appointments.

Fire Chief Bates and councilmembers discussed the option of filling personal pools for residents this year. They came up with the plan of having one day only a pool filling day which will be Saturday June 15<sup>th</sup>. All residents must contact City Hall by June 14<sup>th</sup> no later than 4:00 pm to give them your name and the address of where the pool is going to be located to be filled. The

residents will be charged the bulk rate fee which is a basic service charge of \$25.00 and \$8.00 for all over 1000 gallons. Bates also asked residents to give the fire department \$50.00 for this service. Motion Williams Second Miller. Vote: Ayes; Cacek, Miller and Williams Nays: Absent: Anderson and Derrickson.

Chief Bates was present to discuss the BBW Street dance for this year and the reasoning for the street closure and set up the way it is for the proper electrical needed.

Motion Miller Second Cacek to adjourn meeting at 7:34 p.m. Vote: Ayes; Cacek, Miller and Williams Nays: Absent: Anderson and Derrickson.

SIGNED:

ATTEST:

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Dustin Johnson, Mayor of Ruthven

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Jessica Schneider, City Clerk

