

Ruthven City Council Meeting  
August 26, 2020 - 6:30 PM

The Ruthven City Council, of the City of Ruthven, Iowa, met on the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of August, 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: Dustin Johnson, Jay Schoning, Marci Simington and Terrence Williams. Absent: Mitch Anderson

City employees present: Toad Loder, Anesa McGregor and Margaret Tatman.

Public present: Nancy Foertsch-LISSD, Kelly Evans-ISG Engineering via phone, Heath Scott, Peg Cizek and Steve Cizek.

Motion Williams, second Schoning to approve: minutes from July 22, 2020 Council Meeting, summary list of claims and clerk's financial reports. Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Motion Simington, second Johnson to approve change in meeting date from September 23, 2020 to September 30, 2020 due to conflict with lagoon project bidding. Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Mayor Kirk declared the public hearing open at 6:45 p.m. to open sealed bids for city property located at 1304 Washington St. Bid # 1 was opened. Bid in the amount of \$8,200.00 from Chase and Molly Cookman. Bid in the amount of \$8,200.00 from Chase and Molly Cookman. Bid # 2 was opened. Bid in the amount of \$6,500.00 from Brenda Roth. No objectors were present or filed written objections to the City Clerk, so the public hearing was declared closed at 6:48 p.m. Motion William, second Schoning to approve bid #1 in the amount of \$8,200.00 from Chase & Molly Cookman as winning bid. Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Engineer Evans spoke to council about the three phase water system project. Phase I-New Well, Phase II-Treatment Plant and Phase III-Distribution. Approximate cost of all three phases is \$2,250,000.00. He will apply for over \$900,000 in CDBG grants and 50% forgivable loans and the rest will be from SRF Low Interest Loan.

Motion Schoning, second Williams to approve crushed concrete city load price from \$15.00/ton to \$17.00/ton and self-load price from \$12.00/ton to \$13.00/ton. Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Motion Schoning, second Williams to approve bid #2 from Coffman Lock service to replace locks and add levers and push bars to all doors at the city swimming pool in the amount of \$3,185.20. Clerk Tatman was instructed to use Local Option Sales Tax funds to pay from. Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Motion Johnson, second Schoning to approve moving new city street name signs with help from Palo Alto County Emergency Management 911 fund in color red with white letters. Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Motion Williams, second Johnson to approve the purchase of a 2012, International 7300, Snow Plow from O'Halloran International in the amount of \$75,000.00. Clerk Tatman was instructed to use PACGDC and Local Option Sales Tax funds to pay from. Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Motion Schoning, second Johnson to approve RESOLUTION NO. 22-2020 (AMENDED 1) - A Resolution Setting Hourly Wages for Appointed Officers and Employees for the City of Ruthven, Iowa for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. Roll Call Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Motion Simington, second Williams to approve RESOLUTION NO. 26-2020 – A Resolution to fix a date of September 9, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. for a public hearing on a proposal to enter into a Water Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$300,000. Roll Call Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Motion Simington, second Schoning to approve RESOLUTION NO. 27-2020 – A Resolution Requesting Reimbursement from the Iowa Covid-19 Government Relief Fund; Within the City of Ruthven, Palo Alto County, Iowa. Roll Call Vote- Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Motion Schoning, second Simington to approve RESOLUTION NO. 28-2020 – A Resolution of the Ruthven City council, Ruthven, Iowa , to Establish Policies Regarding The Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan (RARA); A Procurement Policy of Goods and Services; Prohibition of the Use of Excessive Force; An Affirmative Fair Housing Policy; And an Equal Employment Opportunity During the Execution of Federally Assisted Projects. Roll Call Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Motion Williams, second Johnson to approve RESOLUTION NO. 29-2020 – A Resolution to provide for a notice of hearing on proposed plans, specifications, forms of contract and estimate of cost for the Wastewater System Improvements Project – Phase 2, and the taking of bids therefor. Roll Call Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Motion Johnson, second Simington to approve RESOLUTION NO. 30-2020 – A Resolution Setting Hearing re Proposed Real Estate Conveyance. Roll Call Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Motion Williams, second Schoning to approve Mayor Kirk appointment of Maureen Horsley to the open library board position. Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Several nuisance properties were discussed. Clerk Tatman was instructed to send out nuisance violation letters or municipal infraction paperwork in accordance with city nuisance ordinances.

Motion Johnson, second Williams to adjourn meeting at 8:17 p.m. Vote-Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams Nays: None. Absent: Anderson

Signed:

Attest:

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David J. Kirk, Mayor of Ruthven

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Margaret Tatman, City Clerk