

City of Fontanelle  
October 8, 2024

The Fontanelle City Council met in regular session at the Community Center, with Mayor Walker calling the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Council members present were Brown, Connors, Edwards, Goetz and Young. All motions are carried out unanimously, unless otherwise noted. City employee Dodson was present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Walker.

No public comments were heard.

Connors motioned to approve the consent agenda items (agenda, September 10, 2024, minutes, financial statements and bills for payment), seconded by Young.

Mayor's report: Walker said he and the Fontanelle Police have placed nuisance notices on a few properties. Employee reviews will be performed after the November regular meeting.

Clerk's report: by Dodson. Might not attend the IMFOA conference, finished 16 hours of online training, city is currently working on boil order samples and asked for the November regular meeting to be changed due to the holiday and personal time off. Brown motioned to move the regular November 2024 meeting to November 14, 2024, seconded by Goetz. Clerk would like to have a working meeting in November for budget purposes.

No police report was available.

Mayor Walker read the utility report. Installed new water service at 110 Summerset, finished new electric primary, set new water meter at 204 Scott and hooked new electric service at 204 3<sup>rd</sup> street. Replaced a transformer due to the power outage 9/22/24. GMU provided an electric switch for the power outage on July 23, 2024. This switch will need to be replaced for GMU at a cost of \$25,904.70. All city properties have been fall sprayed. A section of sidewalk has been replaced in front of the community center. Connors motioned to order the electric switch for GMU, seconded by Edwards.

Edwards motioned to have a working meeting Oct 16, 2024, at City Hall for park rules and signage, seconded by Goetz.

A building permit for 914 Washington Street have been submitted and fees paid.

The City of Bridgewater has accepted the termination agreement from the City of Fontanelle.

Goetz motioned to set beggar's night for October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5 pm to 7 pm, seconded by Edwards.

George Fezell spoke on behalf of the Lutheran Church asking permission to play the church bells and songs during various events and times. Goetz motioned to approve the request, seconded by Edwards.

NV Champions 4-H Club gave a presentation asking permission to place a handicapped toy digger in the city park. Goetz motioned to approve the project, seconded by Young.

Connors motioned to approve **Resolution 2024.19 Urban Renewal** report, seconded by Edwards.  
Roll call: All Ayes.

Goetz motioned to approve a building permit at 519 3<sup>rd</sup> street, seconded by Edwards.

Edwards motioned to approve 16 Oaks liquor license renewal, seconded by Brown.

Goetz motioned to table the burn variance at 511 6<sup>th</sup> Street until November due to a county wide burn ban, Connors seconded.

Edwards motioned to table the alternative plan for a brush dump site until more information is gathered, seconded by Connors.

Edwards motioned to make these change the burn variance form: a 30-day expiration date and a statement prior to burning a notification to the Adair County Sheriff's Office or the Fontanelle fire chief must be made, Connors seconded.

Edwards motioned to enter negotiations with Greenfield Municipal Utilities for water and electrical support as needed, Young seconded.

After a lengthy discussion among the council, Edwards motioned to put the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street bridge subject on the agenda for October 16, 2024, working meeting, seconded by Goetz.

Goetz motioned to Table a resolution to Iowa Code Chapter 21.8 until more information is obtained, seconded by Edwards.

Brown motioned to have Connors reach out to SICOG for possible grant opportunities for sidewalk replacement, Edwards seconded.

No consent agenda items needed discussion.

Next agenda items: Park regulations, 3<sup>rd</sup> Street bridge, alternative waste site, GMU contract.

Next regular City council meeting is scheduled for November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 @ 6 p.m.

In closing, concerns were heard regarding the maintenance at the slab and water tower, the embankment at the lift station, and the property on the south side of the water tower. Mayor Walker will have Officer Heinz investigate the issue with the property by the water tower.

Motion by Connors to adjourn 7:44 pm, Goetz seconded.

**Bills paid to approve since Sept 10, 2024, meeting**

BILLS PAID		
CMS	processing fee	\$373.61
Cyber Solutions	processing fee	\$75.00
Farmers Electric	utilities	\$79.63
FNB	processing fee	\$25.73
FNB	Stop payment fee	\$32.10
GOETZ, JAIROB	voided check	-\$150.00
GOETZ, JAIROB	Reissued payment	\$150.00
IPAIT	utilities	\$12,300.33
IA Dept Rev	sales tax- Aug 2024	\$849.77
IA Dept Rev	sales tax- SEPT 2024	\$817.45
IA Dept Rev	WET tax-Aug 2024	\$992.32
IA Dept Rev	WET tax-SEPT 2024	\$1,067.58
IA Dept Rev	Q3 State withholding	\$2,072.28
IA Dept of Unemployment	Unemployment	\$58.25
IPERS	IPERS-Nov 2024	\$3,568.49
IRS	payroll 9/20/24 FICA	\$2,563.71
IRS	payroll 10/4/24 FICA	\$2,483.25
United Healthcare	healthcare	\$7,061.42
Verizon	utility	\$123.98
VISA	supplies	\$555.89
Windstream	utility	\$216.20
	TO BE APPROVED	
21st Century	supplies	\$347.53

Adair Co Auditor	28E Sheriff agreement	\$2,500.00
Alliant Energy	Utilities	\$65.42
Border States	supplies	\$1,056.79
Atlantic, City of	monthly sewer contract	\$1,225.00
Corning Rental	equipment rental-	
Creston Publishing	Electric	\$2,700.00
Cummins Service Sol	printing	\$361.22
Dept of Energy	services	\$1,097.65
Echo Group	power purchase	\$12,638.79
EFI Mid-America	electrical supplies	\$2,384.01
Farmers Lumber	repairs	\$711.67
Forward Fontanelle	supplies	\$112.11
Grantham Sanitation	electricity purchase	\$2,032.48
GMU	Utilities	\$132.00
GMU	Utilities	\$5,068.47
Huff Well LLC	service contract	\$6,630.00
IA DNR	boring service	\$17,580.00
Iowa One Call	license	\$115.00
Jacobsen of Adair	service	\$30.60
Jessen, Trenton	SUPPLIES	\$92.10
JPW Technologies	utility deposit return	\$300.00
Library	service agreement	\$1,924.00
Matheson Tri-gas	quarterly support	\$12,500.00
Municipal Utilities	supplies	\$163.75
Municipal Utilities	Utilities	\$2,221.89
Municipal Utilities	transfers	\$13,579.17
Municipal Utilities	utility payment	\$975.12
Neonlink	processing fees	\$86.40
Petty Cash	postage	\$7.90
S&T Property Solutions	roll off service	\$600.00
SW IA Pest Control	services	\$214.00
State Hygienic lab	services	\$14.50
Thompson, Angela	utility deposit return	\$300.00
Visa	SUPPLIES	\$643.70
Wallace Auto	SUPPLIES	\$56.83
Welsch, Brooke	utility deposit return	\$300.00
Windstream	telecommunication	\$320.41
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$126,405.50</b>

**Revenues SEPT 2024**

General Fund	\$17,064.62
Road Use Tax	\$10,997.36
Employee Benefit	\$2,058.64
Urban Renewal	\$0.00
Local Option Sales Tax	\$16,858.84

**Expenditures SEPT 2024**

General Fund	\$12,758.05
Road Use Tax	\$3,598.64
Employee Benefit	\$595.12
Urban Renewal	\$0.00
Local Option Sales Tax	\$0.00

Meter Deposits	\$0.00	Meter Deposits	\$0.00
Debt Service	\$0.00	Debt Service	\$0.00
Water Fund	\$17,106.82	Water Fund	\$19,691.81
Water Sinking	\$2,711.67	Water Sinking	\$0.00
Sewer Fund	\$19,855.56	Sewer Fund	\$18,060.22
Sewer Sinking	\$10,867.50	Sewer Sinking	\$0.00
Electric Fund	\$54,131.54	Electric Fund	\$48,084.15
Library Fund	\$8.14	Library Fund	\$5,148.82
Landfill Fund	\$1,114.03	Landfill Fund	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$152,774.72</b>	<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$107,936.81</b>

Attest: City Clerk, Mary Dodson