

City of Fontanelle
February 13, 2017

The Fontanelle City Council met in regular session at 7 p.m. at the community center, with Mayor Miller calling the meeting to order. Council members present were: Davis, Baldogo, Zimmerline, Warrior, and Dukes. All motions are carried unanimously, unless otherwise noted. City employees present: David Sickles, Pat Henry, and Amanda Held. Also present: Joel and Laura Fritz, Jerry Davis, Molly Lamborn, Itha Carns, Leroy Nelson, Kristen Jensen, Patty Queck, Jim and Peg Scott, Brandon Raasch, Terri Raasch, Jack Boes and Dianna Goetz.

Motion by Baldogo to amend the agenda as presented, moving the Police Department Reports to after the closing of public hearings, 2nd by Davis. Approved.

Mayor Miller declared the public hearing for the City 17/18 Budget, Electric Rate Change, and the Nuisance Abatement open at 7:01pm.

Public Input - None

Unfinished Business

Motion on the floor from Davis on changing the Avoided Cost from a monthly amount to an average amount. Jim and Peg Scott would like to see the Council hold off on any changes as they are getting an attorney involved with the solar issues that they are having. A motion by Baldogo to postpone the change till March's meeting, 2nd by Warrior. Dukes Abstained. Approved

The Mayor opened the mowing and spraying bids received

Name	Address	Bid Amount
Country Blooms	Menlo	\$11085.00
Lincoln's Lawn Care	Lenox	\$10565.00
Lynam Lawn Care	Diagonal	\$15600.00
Tom Hurford	Wiota	\$7850.00

Motion by Baldogo to except Country Blooms bid, 2nd by Warrior. Approved

The Mayor opened the tree removal bids received.

Motion by Davis to hold off doing anything till May's meeting to see how bad the trees really are, 2nd by Baldogo. Approved

Motion by Davis to approve changes in the employee handbook with the change in Good Friday to Presidents Day for Holiday time, 2nd by Zimmerline. Approved

Motion by Davis to approve **Resolution 2017.6 Hazard Mitigation Plan**, 2nd by Warrior. Approved

New Business

Brandon Raasch and Kristen Jensen presented and requested the Council to consider letting Mr. Brandon Raasch to place a honey bee hive on Mrs. Jensen's yard. Brandon stated this will help with honey and flower production, he has 10 hives total and he is one of the youngest bee keepers in Iowa. The City Council stated they see no issues with this, but to double check with surrounding homes that they are ok with it and they will vote on the issue at March's meeting.

Departmental report prepared by David Sickles was reviewed.

David Sickles reported the two lap top computers are not working correctly and are over 6 years old, looking to get new ones. Council gave their approval to move forward with the purchase of two new computers. David also stated the city trucks are starting to get to a point of disrepair. Mayor Miller said to start looking at what a new one will cost and to look in to a grant.

Motion by Baldogo to approve the clerk's report, list of bills and minutes from last month's meeting. 2nd by Warrior. Approved.

GENERAL

Salaries	\$3,778.00
Casey's General Store	\$116.15
Creston Publishing CO	\$47.27
Alliant Energy	\$337.09
Windstream	\$52.27
21st Century Coop	\$104.77
Productivity Plus	\$32.75
The Exchange	\$103.50
Matheson Tri-Gas Inc.	\$80.40
Municipal Utilities	\$1,811.98
Fontanelle Observer	\$111.29

SEWER FUND

Salaries	\$2,051.00
Casey's General Store	\$76.94
21st Century Coop	\$104.77
Windstream	\$42.83
Grantham Sanitation	\$61.70
Fontanelle Observer	\$35.72
Office Machines Co	\$34.19
Adair CO Free Press	\$14.00
Alliant Energy	\$34.28
Creston Publishing Co	\$23.62
Adair Co Memorial	
Hospital	\$55.66

True Value	\$52.46	State Hygienic Lab	\$117.00
Grantham Sanitation	\$138.10	Municipal Utilities	\$800.17
Visa	\$131.33	Visa	\$139.51
Southwest IA Pest	\$28.00	UnityPoint Clinic	\$19.83
IMFOA	\$50.00	Iowa One Call	\$0.90
Central Iowa Distributing	\$35.50	Fareway	\$14.55
1st National Bank	\$15.00	TOTAL	\$3,626.67
TOTAL	\$7,025.86		

WATER FUND

Salaries	\$2,765.50
AWWA Region IV	\$70.00
Grantham Sanitation	\$67.70
Casey's General Store	\$76.95
21st Century Coop	\$104.77
Windstream	\$93.92
Adair CO Free Press	\$14.00
GMU	\$2,855.68
Municipal Utilities	\$530.56
Agriland FS	\$153.80
Farmers Electric Coop	\$442.01
Fontanelle Observer	\$35.72
DPC Industries	\$218.76
Alliant Energy	\$34.28
Creston Publishing	\$23.62
Municipal Supply Inc.	\$413.79
Zimmerline, Jack	\$150.00
UnityPoint Clinic	\$19.83
Office Machines Co	\$48.10
Jacobsen's of Adair	\$96.48
Adair Co Memorial	
Hospital	\$55.66
Iowa One Call	\$0.90
Hach	\$211.73
State Hygienic Lab	\$301.50
Visa	\$141.68
TOTAL	\$8,926.94

REVENUE

General	\$3,867.16
Road Use Tax	\$7,845.19
Employee Benefit	\$66.48
Local Option Tax	\$6,180.00
Meter Deposits	\$1.74
Debt Service	
Water Fund	\$15,025.59
Sewer Fund	\$7,708.69
Electric Fund	\$61,041.85
Landfill	\$737.71

ELECTRIC FUND

Salaries	\$5,608.13
Iowa Dept. of Rev & Finance	\$2,481.00
Creston Publishing Co	\$23.62
Grantham Sanitation	\$98.30
Casey's General Store	\$95.21
Office Machines Co	\$34.19
Windstream	\$42.82
Alliant Energy	\$34.28
Adair CO Free Press	\$14.00
Municipal Utilities	\$442.79
Farmers Electric Coop	\$115.95
Fontanelle Observer	\$77.32
Adair Co Memorial	
Hospital	\$55.68
Zimmerline, Jack	\$250.00
CIPCO	\$755.00
ECHO	\$3.51
UnityPoint Clinic	\$19.84
Iowa One Call	\$0.90
Aramark	\$247.44
Forward Fontanelle Power	\$2,683.70
Dukes, Rodney	\$0.34
Sickles, David	\$35.64
Scott, Jim	\$0.43
Visa	\$99.54
21st Century Coop	\$104.78
Dept. of Energy	\$13,601.55
IPAIT	\$10,642.94
TOTAL	\$37,568.90

ROAD USE TAX

Salaries	\$626.50
Wallace Auto	\$705.00
Fontanelle Observer	\$39.51
Alliant Energy	\$34.29
Municipal Utilities	\$218.87
UnityPoint Clinic	\$7.50
Grantham Sanitation	\$4.20
Fox Welding	\$95.00
TOTAL	\$1,730.87

TOTAL **\$102,474.41**

PAYROLL CLEARING

IRS \$3,831.35
IPERS \$2,224.52
Dearborn National Life
Ins \$227.20
UHCPRV \$4,578.84
TOTAL **\$10,861.91**

Mayor Miller declared the public hearing for the City 17/18 Budget, Electric Rate Change, and the Nuisance Abatement closed at 8:08pm.

Police Department report prepared by Pat Henry was reviewed.

Pat Henry reported he should know if he will get the grant for the solar speeding signs. Pat would like to move on with the abatement process on the nuisance on 1st street. He would like to first pull off the skirting and see if the trailer home can be pulled out, then next step if it could not be pulled out, is to find a crew to tear it down and remove the trailer home.

Motion by Davis to move forward with the abatement, 2nd by Dukes. Approved

Motion by Baldogo to approve **Resolution 2017.4 the City Budget 17/18**, 2nd by Warrior. Approved

Patty Queck asked how the new electric rates and meter charge would be changed. Davis stated that the meter charge will be going to \$11.00 from \$5.25 and this will cover the operating costs, then the power cost adjustment will go way down and stay at a more even rate. Also the electric rate will go from .07 to .093 per kilowatt. Council also stated that most people should see a small decrease in there bill.

Motion by Baldogo to pass **Ordinance No. 2017.1, changing ordinance 111.05 & 111.06 for electric rates**, 2nd by Zimmerline. Approved

Motion by Baldogo to pass **Resolution 2017.5 changing the Ordinance 111.05 & 111.06**, 2nd by Warrior. Approved

Peg Scott would like to have the avoided cost for solar power changed from Avoided Cost to Net Metering to see if the net metering would be more beneficial for them. The Council would like to see that the solar customers wait till they get all there facts before they bring it back to the Council for a vote.

Council discussed the meter wavier form on removing the 2nd heat meter. Zimmerline wishes to see something on next month's agenda to talk about livestock in the city for 4-H projects. Baldogo stated she has had many complaints on trees blocking the view of coming traffic at 1st and Benton, the Weed Committee will check in to the issue.

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 8:47p.m.

Attest: Amanda Held, City Clerk

