

City of Fontanelle  
June 12, 2017

The Fontanelle City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. at the community center, with Mayor Miller calling the meeting to order. Council members present were: Davis, Baldogo, Zimmerline, Dukes, and Warrior. All motions are carried unanimously, unless otherwise noted. City employees present: David Sickles, Pat Henry and Amanda Held. Also present: Jay Zimmerline and his Representative, Juile Christensen, Jerry Davis, Justi Christensen, Jenna Christensen, Kay Bax, Ryan Cooper, Cindy Sickles, Patty Jacobson, Miranda Warrior, Carmon Homan, Molly Lamborn, Betty Weinheimer, and Dianna Goetz.

Motion by Baldogo to approve the agenda as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Davis. Approved.

Public Input

Dianna Goetz asked the City Council who has the burden of proof to show if someone is grandfathered in to the livestock ordinance. Mayor Miller stated the burden lies with the homeowner. Dianna also asked if everyone with animals have shown proof of being grandfathered in.

Cindy Sickles addressed the council with concerns of them wishing to remove the parks merry-go-round. She stated that it is a city treasure and people young and old can use it, also that it is no more dangerous than the other equipment in the park. Cindy also addressed that she felt that the City should find a better solution to the parking in alley ways before spending a lot of money on "No Parking" signs.

Kay Bax would like to show her support to keep the current merry-go-round and that our City Park always looks good. Kay would also like to see a policy in place when someone wishes to have a tree taken down on their property that is also in the City's right-of-way. This way the issue will always be handled the same way. Kay also asked if having public input on the agenda at the beginning and the end of the meeting.

Mayor Miller opened the Public Hearing for nuisance abatement at 7:16pm.

Jay Zimmerline's representative asked Council, Mayor and Officer Pat Henry many questions on the City's abatement process, what they considered junk/nuisance, and how many complaints have they received in the past few months. Mayor Miller, stopped the discussions and as if Jay's representative was an attorney. Since she stated she was, Mayor Miller stated that the Council would like to continue the conversation with their attorney present.

Unfinished Business

The 2 trees on Main Street, the council had Franklin Tree Service come in and just trim them rather than dropping them completely. So the only thing on the bill will be for the trimming at \$600.00, Dukes asked if scratching the \$400.00 for the trees on 6<sup>th</sup> Street that were taken down, the Mayor said yes. Warrior asked why the city workers were cleaning up the trees on 6<sup>th</sup> street; the Mayor said it will be on next month's agenda.

Davis passed a hand out to the Mayor and fellow Council members on the recommendations for employee raises. Motion by Dukes to adopt the recommendation presented by the Finance Committee on the employee raises, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Warrior. Approved. Davis asked since we are tabling the last issue in the handout do they need a committee to look in to for next month's meeting. Warrior expressed that he would not like a committee. Davis and Dukes volunteered to look in to the issue.

New Business

Motion by Dukes to have Casey's cigarette license renewed, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Warrior. Approved.

Motion by Dukes to have Wreckers or Checkers liquor license renewed, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Zimmerline. Approved.

Ryan Cooper presented to the Council his plans in wanting to have an outdoors shooting range at his residence for fire arm safety classes. The Council asked questions about is timeline on building, if he talked to his neighbors, and what kind of insurance he will have. Motion by Baldogo to table the application for further review later, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Davis. Approved.

Motion by Baldogo to have Library Board Members Tipling and Clayton Reappointed, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Warrior. Approved.

Warrior offered to show the attending residence the proposed ideas that the Park Committee had for new park equipment. Cindy Sickles likes them but would like to see the old merry-go-round stay along with the addition of the new items. Warrior asked if they could post pone the issue tell next month to see if the city workers can find adequate placing for the new items. Motion by Warrior to post pone the purchasing of new park equipment tell next month, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Baldogo. Approved

Council discussed if the problem with the parking in alley ways is just a select few or all of them and what actions can be taken before the purchase of costly 'No Parking' signs. Motion by Davis to table the purchase of the signs, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dukes. Approved.

Motion by Baldogo to appoint Davis Kinard & CO to take on the City's audits, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Davis. Approved

Motion by Warrior to not purchase the Banyon point of sale program, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Zimmerline. Approved

Motion by Baldogo to have the water tower cleaned, painted inside and outside by Maguire Iron Inc, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Warrior. Approved.

The red maple tree donation in memorial for Craig Cummins in the City Park is dying and Davis stated she can get a donation for up to two new trees, but may not be a red maple. Motion by Dukes to replace the tree in City Park, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Warrior. Approved.

Motion by Davis to purchase a thank you plaque for Cummins Construction, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Baldogo. Approved

A much heated debate on the public hearing for nuisance abatement process and actions taken by Council, Officer Pat Henry and many of the public attendees. Mayor Miller closed public hearing for nuisance abatement at 8:45 pm.

Motion by Davis to move forward with the nuisance abatement at 416 2<sup>nd</sup> street, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rod. Zimmerline abstained. Approved

Police Department report prepared by Pat Henry was reviewed.

Department reports prepared by David Sickles was reviewed. David touched on the progress of getting the new truck, Black Top Services as started on some street and will be back in few weeks to finish up, completing many locates for the new gas lines coming in July, another tree in the park is looking really bad, cleaning up dirt clean up on corner curbs, and that he will be gone July 1st-19<sup>th</sup>.

Motion by Davis to approve the clerk's report, list of bills and minutes from last month's meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dukes. Approved.

**BILLS PAID IN MAY, BUT NOT APPROVED**

Red Wing	Boots	\$508.46
DPC Industries	Chlorine	\$174.95
Farmers Elec	Electric Usage	\$415.44
The Downtowner	Meal at Meeting	\$10.17
United Health Care	Group Ins	\$4,433.38
Sickles, Dallas	Mobile Home Removal	\$300.00

Christensen, Travis	Mobile Home Removal	\$300.00
Dearborn National	Life Ins	\$170.40
Held, Amanda	Mileage	\$37.80
IRS	Contributions	\$1,832.88
IPERS	Contributions	\$2,228.24
Aramark	Uniforms	\$257.98
Dory, Rose	Rent Refund	\$65.00
	Deposit Refund to Outstanding bill	\$150.00
Municipal Utilities		
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$10,884.70</b>

**BILLS PAID IN JUNE BUT NOT APPROVED**

State Revolving Fund	Water Bond	\$30,420.00
Echo	Flags, Ballast	\$454.45
Postmaster	Box Rent	\$76.00
Farmers Lumber	Elec Parts	\$116.06
Cintas	Uniforms	\$195.80
IRS	Contributions	\$2,002.65
Iowa Dept. of Rev	State Sales Tax	\$2,023.00
Huddleson, Mike	Deposit Refund	\$200.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$35,487.96</b>

**BILLS READY TO PAY**

Wallace Auto	Belt	\$37.61
Clint Hight	Council Complaint	\$500.00
Caseys	Gas	\$448.39
Fontanelle Observer	Publishing	\$80.52
Buckner, Denny	mowing/nuisance	\$125.00
Verizon	Cell Phone	\$107.31
Office Machines	Ink Cartridges	\$97.96
Adair Co Sheriff	Served Order	\$21.42
Grantham Sanitation	Garbage Hulling	\$120.00
Productivity Plus	Skidloder Oil Change	\$537.89
Windstream	Phone/Internet	\$232.15
Banyon	Software Support	\$2,385.00
Marckmann Underground	Tree Removal	\$500.00
Metering Technology	Water Meters	\$19,735.76
Hach	Chemicals	\$549.31
Southwest IA Pest	Pest Control	\$28.00
Elan City	Speed Signs	\$5,350.00
IPAIT/SIMECA	Electric Purchase	\$7,194.92
Jim Scott	Electric Purchase	\$9.68
Rod Dukes	Electric Purchase	\$10.74
DPC Industries	Chlorine	\$40.00
Iowa One Call	Locates	\$19.80
Farmers Electric	Electric Usage	\$350.72
Municipal Utilities	City Utilities	\$2,774.70
Leeper, Kalyn	Deposit Refund	\$200.67
Dept of Energy	Electric Usage	\$8,744.39
Visa	Postage, Classes, FR Shirts	\$3,857.27
Alliant	Gas	\$150.32
Forward Fontanelle	Electric Usage	\$3,663.72
Metering Technology	Water Meters	\$15,116.47
State Hygienic Lab	Lab Testing	\$129.50
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$73,119.22</b>

**Revenues**

General Fund	\$10,581.25
Road Use Tax	\$5,284.09
Employee Benefit	\$373.48
Local Option Sales Tax	\$5,225.61
Meter Deposits	\$3.02
Water Fund	\$18,539.30

**Expenditures**

General Fund	\$21,260.73
Road Use Fund	\$4,371.14
Employee Benefit	\$534.82
Water Fund	\$20,822.25
Sewer Fund	\$8,477.25
Electric Fund	\$50,478.01

Sewer Fund	\$9,463.43	Landfill Fund	\$0.00
Electric Fund	\$49,598.32	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$105,944.20</b>
Landfill Fund	\$921.67		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$99,990.17</b>		

Mayor Miller wanted to let the council know that a small city workshop is being held in Anita Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm if any of the council members wishes to attend.

Motion by Davis for adjournment at 8:56p.m, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dukes. Approved.  
 Attest: Amanda Held, City Clerk