

Ruthven City Council Meeting
March 15, 2016 - 6:30 PM

The Ruthven City Council, of the City of Ruthven, Iowa, met on the 15th Day of March, 2016, 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; Mitch Anderson, Dave Forey and Dustin Johnson. Absent; Sara Ferguson and Jay Schoning

City employees/representatives present; Attorney David Stein (via phone), Lenny Larsen I+S, Dave Conlon, Toad Loder and Margaret Tatman Public; Danielle Smith, Gary Knoer, Judy Broadie and Will Freeman.

Motion Forey, second Anderson to approve Minutes from March 1, 2016 meeting, Claims Report, Clerk's Financial Reports and PACGDC Grant Funds payout to American Legion and Palo Alto County Freedom Rock Committee. Ayes; Anderson, Forey and Johnson Nays; None Absent; Ferguson and Schoning

Danielle Smith was present to ask about holding an outdoor wedding dance at 1105 Carr St. on June 18, 2016. Motion Anderson, second Johnson to approve outdoor wedding dance from 5:00 pm until Midnight, June 18, 2016. Ayes; Anderson, Forey and Johnson Nays; None Absent; Ferguson and Schoning

Anderson introduced Ordinance No. 1-2016 – An Ordinance Granting to Mid-American Energy Company, its Successors and Assigns, the Right and Non-Exclusive Franchise to Acquire, Construct, Erect, Maintain and Operate in the City of Ruthven Iowa, a Natural Gas System and to Furnish and Sell Natural Gas to the City and its Inhabitants and Authorizing the City to Collect Franchise Fees for a Period of 20 Years for its final reading. Motion to approve final reading of Ordinance No. 1-2016 by Anderson, Second Johnson Roll Call Vote Ayes; Anderson, Forey and Johnson Nays; None Absent; Ferguson and Schoning

Johnson introduced Ordinance No. 2-2016 – An Ordinance Granting to Mid-American Energy Company, its Successors and Assigns, the Right and Non-Exclusive Franchise to Acquire, Construct, Erect, Maintain and Operate in the City of Ruthven Iowa, an Electric System and to Furnish and Sell Electric Energy to the City and its Inhabitants and Authorizing the City to Collect Franchise Fees for a Period of 20 Years for its final reading. Motion to approve second reading of Ordinance No. 2-2016 by Johnson, Second Forey, Roll Call Vote Ayes; Anderson, Forey and Johnson Nays; None Absent; Ferguson and Schoning

Forey introduced for First Reading, Ordinance No 3-2016 – A Ordinance Amending the City of Ruthven, Iowa 2014 Municipal Code of Ordinances by Repealing Existing Chapter 51-Junk and Junk Vehicles in its Entirety and the Following New Chapter is Adopted. Motion to approve first reading of Ordinance No. 3-2016 by Forey, Second Anderson Roll Call Vote Ayes; Anderson, Forey and Johnson Nays; None Absent; Ferguson and Schoning

Motion Anderson, second Johnson to approve the transfer of accumulated Local Option Sales Tax Funds into the Sewer account. Ayes; Anderson, Forey and Johnson Nays; None Absent; Ferguson and Schoning

Street Superintendent Loder presented the council with price quotes for road repairs for this spring and summer. Motion Forey, second Johnson to accept the bids as quoted from Blacktop Services. Ayes; Anderson, Forey and Johnson Nays; None Absent; Ferguson and Schoning

PWD Conlon presented the council with a price quote for crushing the concrete pile. Motion Anderson, second Forey to accept bid from Schmillen Construction. Ayes; Anderson, Forey and Johnson Nays; None Absent; Ferguson and Schoning

Attorney Stein updated the council regarding progress with County Supervisors sharing agreement on Old Hwy 18, West St. and Washington St. in Ruthven. A meeting will be set up to include two supervisors, PA Co Engineer, PA Co Attorney, Mayor Kirk and Attorney Stein to get the agreement finalized.

Lenny of I&S Engineering was on hand to update the council on the progress of the sewer lagoon project. A meeting is set up for next week between the USDA, City of Ruthven and I&S to discuss funding opportunities and project scope for the sewer lagoon project.

Discussion was held regarding the No Parking and Loading/Unloading Zone parking at the R/A School. Item tabled to April 5, 2016 meeting after Mayor Kirk talks with Superintendent Woiwood.

Motion Johnson, second Anderson to accept Lifeguard Hiring Recommendations from the Park & Pool Board as follows: Head Lifeguard-Noah Stukey at \$9.00/hr., Lifeguards-Alesha Sikora at \$8.70/hr., Sarah Alexander and Jared Sikora at \$7.70/hr., Aaron Jacks, Brady Rosacker and Madison Schnetzer all at \$7.60/hr. Ayes; Anderson, Forey and Johnson Nays; None Absent; Ferguson and Schoning

Motion Johnson, second Anderson to accept all of the following Park & Pool Board recommendations: Lifeguard Training Reimbursement will be paid out at season end if the lifeguard completes the full season working at Ruthven Pool. Opening Date will be May 27 and closing date will be August 14, 2016. Open and close hours are changed to Monday through Saturday-Noon to 7:00p.m with no supper break and Sundays 1:00 to 5:00 pm. Swimming Lessons will be held one week this year from June 13 through 17, 2016. The Pool Fundraiser for World's Finest Chocolate Bar sales approved and to be run through city pool fund budget. A Swimming Pool Facebook page is approved only if it is an information only page and no one can post comments. Ayes; Anderson, Forey and Johnson Nays; None Absent; Ferguson and Schoning

Motion Anderson, second Forey to approve and allow alcohol at the Class of 1966 Social Center event on July 9, 2016 Ayes; Anderson, Forey and Johnson Nays; None Absent; Ferguson and Schoning

Motion Forey, second Johnson to adjourn meeting at 8:20 p.m. Ayes; Anderson, Forey and Johnson Nays; None Absent; Ferguson and Schoning

David J. Kirk, Mayor

Attest:

Margaret Tatman, City Clerk