Ruthven City Council Meeting May 22, 2019 - 6:30 PM

The Ruthven City Council, of the City of Ruthven, Iowa, met on the 22nd Day of May, 2019, at 6:30 PM, in regular session, in Ruthven Social Center, 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, Dustin Johnson, Marci Simington and Terrance Williams Absent: Jay Schoning

City employees present: Dave Conlon and Margaret Tatman.

Public: Peg & Steve Cizek, Karen Moon, Jamie Neff, Roger Krieg, Jan & Tom Eisenbarth, Joan Cate, Robin Jamison, Jordan Morey, Therese Geelan, Amanda Hansen and Sheriff Deputy Lampe.

Motion Simington, second Anderson to approve: minutes from May 7, 2019 council meeting, summary list of claims, clerk's financial reports and renewal of Ruthven Locker Liquor License. Vote-Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: Schoning

Mayor Kirk shared with council that a mutual agreement between he and the county auditor was met and it will allow Ruthven to have a satellite voting site the week before Election Day, on October 29, 2019, held in the Ruthven Social Center from Noon to 6:00 p.m. The agreement also included to allow anyone from within the county the ability to vote there that day.

Motion Williams, second Simington to approve RESOLUTION NO 04-2019-Amended – AN AMENDED RESOLUTION SETTING THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING DATE AND TIME FOR THE RUTHVEN CITY COUNCIL. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: Schoning

Motion Simington, second Johnson to approve RESOLUTION NO. 26-2019 – A RESOLUTION TEMPORARILY CLOSING CITY STREETS FOR BULLY BULLHEAD WEEKEND EVENTS. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: Schoning

PWD Superintendent Conlon informed the Mayor and Council that the swimming pool is ready and being filled and will be ready for opening day of June 1, 2019. He also shared that the baby pool is all repaired, tested and will be filled in the next day or so and ready for opening day also.

Councilman Simington asked about street repair timeframe and PWD Conlon replied that Blacktop Services has not called with a date yet, but they are probably behind due to the excessive rain.

Mayor Kirk shared with council and public that a Homeland Security grant for approximately \$18,000.00 was written by Clerk Tatman for a permanent generator connected to the Social Center, Library and City Hall was awarded to the city. Installation will be beginning of August.

Mayor Kirk also mentioned that the city was awarded a \$1,000.00 Trees Please Grant by Mid-American again this year.

Mayor Kirk addressed concerns about transient issues within city limits as he was told they have been sleeping inside the post office at night. This and other concerns were shared with the Sheriff and he and his staff are looking into the problem.

Mayor Kirk informed council that the Canadian Pacific Railroad is sending a contractor to clean up a "hut" that was built on their property. They will be cleaning up the garbage and debris in that area on Thursday and Friday of this week.

Mayor Kirk then shared that Loren of Remillard Signs will be coming this spring yet to sand and seal the two city signs on the outside of town and the city park sign, but the rain is making it hard for him to get the work done.

Motion Johnson, second Williams to adjourn meeting at 6:55 P.M. Vote-Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: Schoning

Signed:

Attest:

David J. Kirk, Mayor