

Ruthven City Council Meeting

June 14, 2023- 6:30 PM

The Ruthven City Council, of the City of Ruthven, Iowa, met on the 14th Day of June 2023, at 6:30 PM, in regular session, at the Ruthven Social Center, pursuant to law and to the rules of said council.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Dustin Johnson in the Chair, and the roll being called, the following members were present; Terrance Williams, Marcie Simington, Ashley Williamson and Casey Pomeroy Absent; Mitch Anderson

City employees present: Jessica Schneider, Kari Krieg and Toad Loder

Public: Rick Adams, Grace Stalzer, Tim Murphy, Chris Kraft, Steve Cicek, Peg Cicek

Motion Pomeroy second Williams to approve Minutes from May 24th, 2023, City Council Meeting, Claims Report and Clerk's Financial Reports. Vote: Ayes; Pomeroy, Williams, Simington and Williamson. Nays: Absent: Anderson

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearing open at 6:35 p.m. for the city of Ruthven Iowa's vacating and conveying an alley legally described on the public notice to Kraft (Ruthven Meat Locker). No objectors were present or filed written objections to the City Clerk, so the public hearing was declared closed at 6:35 p.m.

Motion Simington, Second Pomeroy to approve RESOLUTION 22-2023 – A Resolution approving the vacation and conveyance of alley. Vote: Ayes; Pomeroy, Williams, Simington and Williamson. Nays: Absent: Anderson

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearing open at 6:36 p.m. for the city of Ruthven Iowa's vacating and conveying an alley legally described on the public notice to Casey Pomeroy. No objectors were present or filed written objections to the City Clerk, so the public hearing was declared closed at 6:36 p.m.

Motion Simington, Second Williamson to approve RESOLUTION 21-2023 – A Resolution approving the vacation and conveyance of alley. Vote: Ayes; Williams, Simington and Williamson. Abstain: Pomeroy Nays: Absent: Anderson

Motion Simington Second Williams. To put Ordinance 01-2023 on first filing regarding Sewer Rates. Basic service Charge to be \$40.00 per month and the usage charge to be \$8.35 per 1,000 gallons of water used each month. Whereupon, the Mayor put the question on the motion, and roll call being called, the vote thereon was as follows. Vote: Ayes; Pomeroy, Williams, Simington and Williamson. Nays: Absent: Anderson

Motion Pomeroy, Second Simington to waive the rules and put on second filing and proceed to final Adopt Ordinance 01-2023. (Waive the 2nd & 3rd readings) Whereupon, the Mayor put the question on the motion, and the roll being called, the vote thereon was as follows: Vote: Ayes; Pomeroy, Williams, Simington and Williamson. Nays: Absent: Anderson

Motion Pomeroy, Second Simington to finally pass and adopt Ordinance 01-2023. Whereupon, the mayor put the question on the motion, and the roll being called, the vote thereon was as follows: Vote: Ayes; Pomeroy, Williams, Simington and Williamson. Nays: Absent: Anderson. Ordinance passes and will be published per Iowa law requirements.

Motion Pomeroy Second Simington to approve Resolution 19-2023 A resolution temporarily closing city streets. Vote: Ayes; Pomeroy, Simington and Williamson. Abstain: Williams, Nays: Absent: Anderson

Motion Pomeroy Second Simington to approve Resolution 20-2023 A resolution temporarily closing city streets to accommodate a special community activity, specifically Bully Bullhead Weekend. Vote: Ayes; Pomeroy, Williams, Simington and Williamson. Nays: Absent: Anderson

Toad was present and spoke on the need of a new pool vac for the City Pool. Toad

discussed that they were pointed into the right direction on which pool vac to get for the size of pool that we have. Motion Simington, Second Williamson to purchase the pool vac. Vote: Ayes; Pomeroy, Williams, Simington and Williamson. Nays: Absent: Anderson

Mayor Johnson nominated Dustin Horst to fill the opening on the Board of Adjustments. Motion Williams, second Simington to approve the appointment of Dustin Horst to the Board of Adjustments. Vote: Ayes; Pomeroy, Williams, Simington and Williamson. Nays: Absent: Anderson

Mayor Johnson brought all three names of interest for the Park and Pool Board to council which include: Julie Williamson, Lindsay Henningsen and Grace Stalzer. Mayor Johnson asked that the council decide on 2 of the 3 to fill the 2 open spots. Pomeroy made a motion to appoint Lindsay Henningsen and Grace Stalzer with a second by Williams. Vote: Ayes; Pomeroy, Williams, Simington and Williamson. Nays: Absent: Anderson

Motion Simington Second Pomeroy to approve in paying half the cost of the annual insurance quote for LIRBA in the amount of \$1,230.18. Vote: Ayes; Pomeroy, Williams, Simington and Williamson. Nays: Absent: Anderson

Williams gave an update on the Street Dance for Bully Bullhead. Mentioned the band will be larger and need more time to set up.

Tim Murphy was present to discuss cutting down dead trees at the cemetery. Along with his contract. Mayor Johnson stated he wanted to look into the bidding process before we renew the contract. Motion Pomeroy, Second Williams to approve Tim of cutting down the trees at the cemetery if his insurance is approved to do so. Vote: Ayes; Pomeroy, Williams, Simington and Williamson. Nays: Absent: Anderson

Motion Simington Second Williamson to adjourn meeting at 7:04 p.m Vote: Ayes; Pomeroy, Williams, Simington and Williamson. Nays: Absent: Anderson

SIGNED:

ATTEST:

Dustin Johnson, Mayor of Ruthven

Jessica Schneider, City Clerk

