

Ruthven City Council Meeting June 19, 2018 - 6:30 PM

The Ruthven City Council, of the City of Ruthven, Iowa, met on the 19th Day of June, 2018, 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: Dustin Johnson, Jay Schoning, Marci Simington and Terrence Williams Absent: Mitch Anderson

City employees present: Dave Conlon, Michael Loder Aaron Jacks & Margaret Tatman. Public: Brooke Sievers-ISG, Andy Woiwood, Steve & Peg Cizek & Nancy Foertsch.

Motion Williams, second Simington to approve Minutes from June 5, 2018 Council Meeting, Summary list of claims, Clerk's financial reports and Ruthven Meat Processing Liquor License Approval. Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: Anderson.

Mayor Kirk declared the public hearing open at 6:45 p.m. for the River Valley Telecommunications Cable TV Franchise. No objectors were present or filed written objections to the City Clerk, so the public hearing was declared closed at 6:48 p.m.

Mayor Kirk declared the public hearing open at 6:55 p.m. for the River Valley Telecommunications Cable TV Franchise Fees. No objectors were present or filed written objections to the City Clerk, so the public hearing was declared closed at 6:56 p.m.

Motion Johnson, second Simington, to put Ordinance 01-2018 on first filing. An Ordinance Amending the City of Ruthven, Iowa 2014 Municipal Code of Ordinances by Repealing Existing Chapter 112- Cable Television Franchise in its Entirety and the Following New Chapter is adopted. Whereupon, the Mayor put the question on the motion, and the roll being called, the vote thereon was as follows: Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: Anderson.

Motion Schoning, second Williams to waive the rules and put on second filing and proceed to final Adopt Ordinance 01-2018. (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: Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: Anderson.

Motion Williams, second Johnson to finally pass and adopt Ordinance 01-2018. Whereupon, the Mayor put the question on the motion, and the roll being called, the vote thereon was as follows: Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: Anderson. Ordinance passes and will be published per Iowa law requirements.

Andy Woiwood, R/A School Superintendent, was present and talked with the Mayor and Council about a paving project at the school. He asked the city if they would provide the project with funds from the cities Local Option Sales Tax fund. Project total estimate is \$23,000.00. Motion Johnson, second Schoning to partially fund the project in the amount of \$13,000.00 from the city L.O.S.T. fund. Vote; Ayes: Johnson, Schoning and Williams. Nays: Simington. Absent: Anderson.

Brooke Sievers of ISG Engineering went over Sewer Project Phase 1 Change Order #4 with city council. Motion Schoning, second Johnson to approve amended Wastewater System Improvements – Phase 1 Change Order #4. Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: Anderson.

Motion Williams, second Simington to approve amended Contractor Pay Request #6-Final for Sewer Project Phase I, in the amount of \$29,556.52. Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: Anderson.

Brooke also shared the progress for Sewer Project Phase II.

Aaron Jacks, Ruthven Pool Head-Lifeguard was present to share what's been happening at the pool since opening day. He stated there are several new lifeguards so there is a lot of continuous training going on. He mentioned that he has had a couple of nice comments about the pool and the lifeguards this

year but personally has not heard any complaints. Swimming lessons are going on this week and are going really well. New lifeguards are doing great helping him during the lessons.

Councilman Schoning informed the council that he has a volunteer to help replace the baby pool concrete once the repairs are finished. Council said to send their thanks and let him know we will be contacting him when the project progresses to that point.

Mayor shared with council that the July 4, 2018 City Recycling day will be changed to the following Wednesday date of July 11, 2018 due to July 4th being a Holiday. There were no objections from the council.

Cemetery Sodding was discussed with quotes for installation still needed for purposes of the council needing to figure out the correct charge if someone wants sod on a grave instead of seeded.

No one has come forward to fill the opening on the Board of Adjustments as member, Gary Knoer has moved outside city limits, so Council members and Mayor will do some recruiting and bring back names next meeting on July 3, 2018.

Nuisance properties were discussed. Motion Simington, second Williams to have City Attorney Stein prepare letters and send to the property owners for 1511 Gowrie St, 1306 Washington St. and 1504 Center St. Property owners are to be given two (2) weeks from date of the letter to make sure the houses, garages and all out building on said properties are secured by locking doors, windows and any other openings that would cause unsafe building. The owners of said property also will be given thirty (30) days to connect their property to city utility services (water, sewer and garbage). Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: Anderson.

Motion Johnson, second Simington to reimburse L.I.R.B.A. half the cost of the Bully Bullhead Weekend special event insurance as we have in previous years. Ayes: Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: Anderson.

City cameras were discussed and decision was made to ask R.V.T.C. representative to come to the next council meeting on July 3, 2018 to present better options for the city.

Mayor Kirk shared his letter to suspend noise ordinance during BBW Street Dance, written to the Ruthven Fire Department, with council. Council had no objections to the letter.

Employee reviews were conducted. Motion Simington, to approve a 2% pay increase. No second, motion failed.

Motion Williams, second Schoning to approve a 3% pay increase. Ayes: Johnson, Schoning and Williams. Nays: Simington. Absent: Anderson.

Motion Schoning, second Johnson to approve Resolution No. 24-2018 – A Resolution Setting Hourly Wages for Appointed Officers and Employees for the City of Ruthven, Iowa for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 and effective as of July 1, 2018. New wages are as follows: Dave Conlon \$20.26/hour, Toad Loder \$18.14/hour, Margaret Tatman \$18.45/hour and Jennifer Schany \$11.33/hour. Ayes: Johnson, Schoning and Williams. Nays: Simington. Absent: Anderson.

Motion Simington, second Johnson to adjourn meeting at 7:47 p.m. Vote-Ayes; Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams Nays; None Absent; Anderson

Signed:

Attest:

David J. Kirk, Mayor

Margaret Tatman, City Clerk