Ruthven City Council Meeting November 06, 2018 - 6:30 PM

The Ruthven City Council, of the City of Ruthven, Iowa, met on the 6th Day of November, 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: Mitch Anderson, Dustin Johnson, Jay Schoning, Marci Simington and Terrance Williams Absent: None

City employees present: Dave Conlon, Toad Loder and Margaret Tatman, and via telephone: David Stein, City Attorney. Public: Lenny Larsen,-ISG, Greg Olson-Olson Insurance, Nancy Foertsch-LISSD, Peg and Steve Cizek.

Motion Simington, second Schoning to approve minutes from October 2, 2018 council meeting, summary list of claims and clerk's financial reports. Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

Mayor Kirk began by signing a Proclamation in celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Municipal Home Rule. 50 Years ago this week, in 1968, the Home Rule Amendment was passed by the citizens of Iowa and constitutionalized local control in the state of Iowa. This transitioned Iowa from a Dillon's Rule state, where local government powers are derived exclusively from the state legislature, to a Home Rule state where local government powers are derived from the State Constitution.

Mayor Kirk declared the public hearing open at 6:45 p.m. for Conveyance of Real Estate to Fords. No objectors were present or filed written objections to the City Clerk, so the public hearing was declared closed at 6:49 p.m.

After some discussion as to when the deed would be transferred to the Ford's, decision was to table the Resolution and Ordinance for conveyance of property until contingency is met.

Motion Simington, second Johnson to Approve RESOLUTION 33-2018 – A RESOLUTION APPROVING A PALO ALTO GAMING FULL GRANT APPLICATION OF THE PALO ALTO COUNTY FREEDOM ROCK COMMITTEE FOR PHASE THREE OF FREEDOM PARK PROJECT FOR SHELTER AND CONCRETE. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

Motion Johnson, second Williams to Approve RESOLUTION 34-2018 – A RESOLUTION APPROVING A PALO ALTO GAMING GRANT APPLICATION OF LOST ISLAND SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT FOR LIFT STATION UPGRADES & EMERGENCY REPLACEMENT PUMPS. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

Motion Schoning, second Anderson to Approve RESOLUTION 35-2018 - A RESOLUTION APPROVING A PALO ALTO GAMING MINI GRANT APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF RUTHVEN FOR CROWN HILL CEMETERY ROAD PROJECT PHASE I. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

Lenny Larsen of ISG Engineering was on hand to update Mayor and Council on Phase II Sewer Project. DNR still has the plans for Phase II sewer lagoon so we are at a standstill until they are approved. He will be meeting with PWD Conlon and Loder in the next couple of weeks to go over the design documents with them.

Steve Cizek was present as representative of the Trunk-n-Treat Committee to ask that next year; if possible, Old Highway 18 from corner of Gowrie running east to approximately Bobber Down be

closed off for safety of people attending with a fire truck on each end or barricades. Item will be put on next August agenda for approval of street closure.

Mayor and Council reviewed and discussed the lease agreement which Attorney Stein drafted to be between the City of Ruthven and the Ruthven Fire Department for lease of city property located at 3482 Old Highway 18. After much discussion it was decided to table the lease to the December 4th meeting.

Greg Olson, Olson Insurance was present to answer questions the Mayor or Council might have regarding the Blue Cross and Blue Shield city employee health insurance quotes that the city has received. Decision and signed paperwork will need to be returned to him no later than December 10, 2018 for effective date of January 1, 2019. After much discussion between city employees, mayor and council it was decided to table health insurance to the next council meeting on November 20, 2018.

Motion Anderson, second Simington to approve an ad for \$40.00 in the 2018-2019 R/A school yearbook using PACGDC grant money. Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

Motion Simington, second Johnson to adjourn meeting at 7:44 p.m. Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

Signed:

David J. Kirk, Mayor

Attest:

Margaret Tatman, City Clerk