

**CITY OF FARMINGTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
January 13, 2025**

The Farmington City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 13, 2025, at Farmington City Hall. Mayor Janet Browning called the meeting to order at 5:59 P.M. Council members present for roll call were Kerby Fry, Stephen Gobush, Rick Burkett and Tim Halbrook. Taylor Diephuis arrived at 6:13pm. Also present during the meeting were City Clerk, Megan Muse; Maintenance Superintendent, Bryan Huff; Brad Hudson, Max Harlan, Kris Rankin, Todd and Jen Hoskin.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion was made by Halbrook to approve the Agenda, seconded by Fry and carried 4-0. Motion by Fry to approve minutes of the regular meeting on December 9, 2024. Motion was seconded by Gobush and carried 4-0. Halbrook made a motion to approve the Financial Reports, seconded by Gobush and carried 4-0. Motion by Gobush to approve the Claims. Motion was seconded by Fry and carried 4-0.

Brad presented Quarterly Sheriff's report and discussed budget, need to update 28E Agreements for accuracy. Max Harlan presented and reviewed VBC EMA budget and explanation of what services are provided to the city. Fry made a motion to approve the VBC EMA proposed budget, seconded by Burkett, carried 5-0. Janet discussed road condition complaints. Council reviewed Swedlund building permit. Fry made a motion to deny the building permit due to building being set before acquiring an approved permit, thus violating our city ordinances. Seconded by Gobush, carried 5-0. Kris Rankin presented for SAFE Coalition.

Reviewed Library Report.

Arts Council report: Jen Hoskin spoke about fun things already planned for Strawberry Festival. First fundraiser this year is Trivia night 1/31. Also planning a BBQ/Auction in April.

No EMS Report

Fire Chief Kerby Fry gave a report on the Fire Department. Awaiting turn-out gear and looking for location for new department in the future. Todd Hoskin presented new truck camera to council. Council discussed remaining cost to install new emergency siren. Gobush made a motion to approve completion of the siren with any excess cost covered by the general fund. Seconded by Fry, carried 5-0.

Indian Lake Park Report: No Report, Closed for the Season.

Maintenance Report: Bryan present report on current projects, ceiling repair/replacement, and need to remove trees on highway. Fry made a motion to cut down and grind both problem trees. Seconded by Halbrook, carried 5-0. Council reviewed LL Pelling Proposal for 2025. Burkett made a motion to approve the LL Pelling proposal. Seconded by Gobush, carried 5-0.

City Buildings Report: Megan updated council on conversation with DNR about Brownfield site.

Mayor/Clerk Report: Diephuis made a motion to approve Bridge Café Alcohol license, seconded by Fry and carried 5-0. Fry made a motion to approve American Legion Alcohol License, seconded by Burkett and carried 5-0. Council tabled Tower Co lease proposal with

need for more information and review. Halbrook made motion to approve first reading for Amendment to Ordinance 26A, seconded by Burkett. Roll call vote: Diephuis-AYE, Fry-AYE, Gobush-AYE, Burkett-AYE, Halbrook-AYE. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion made by Halbrook to approve Resolution 2025-01 Providing for Financial Support of Area 15 Regional Planning Commission, seconded by Fry. Roll call: Diephuis-AYE, Fry-AYE, Gobush-AYE, Burkett-AYE, Halbrook-AYE. Motion carried 5-0. Motion made by Gobush to approve Resolution 2025-02 Committees-Appointments, seconded by Fry. Roll call: Diephuis-AYE, Fry-AYE, Gobush-AYE, Burkett-AYE, Halbrook-AYE. Motion carried 5-0. Halbrook made a motion to approve publication of wage report, seconded by Fry and carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 P.M.

Hygenic Laboratory results: Total e. Coli from Bacteria absent

Signed /s/ _____ Mayor Date: 1/16/25

Signed /s/ _____ City Clerk Date: 1/16/25

CLAIMS FOR APPROVAL January 13, 2025

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1st Iowa State Bank	\$	85,000.00	AFLAC	\$ 434.52
ACCESS ENERGY	\$	43.97	Access Systems	\$ 51.66
ADVANCED MERCH (MTOT)	\$	145.85	ALLIANT ENERGY	\$ 3,340.60
Capital One	\$	60.19	Armstrong Tractor	\$ 22.12
DNR	\$	268.00	B & B PROPANE	\$ 645.00
DNR	\$	2,090.50	BRYAN HUFF	\$ 59.00
DNR	\$	1,070.50	CASEY'S GENERAL STORE	\$ 408.38
DNR	\$	129.00	CULLEN PEST CONTROL	\$ 40.00
Donnellson Fire Association	\$	220.00	Donnellson Lumber	\$ 80.64
Paystar	\$	35.00	EFTPS	\$ 4,017.71
RATHBUN REGIONAL WATER	\$	3,607.70	Farm & Home Publishers	\$ 137.20
VISA	\$	925.21	Greiner Implement Company	\$ 258.85
WELLMARK	\$	2,483.13	Huffmans	\$ 158.47
December Payroll	\$	14,704.65	Iowa Assoc of Municipal Utility	\$ 324.00
TOTAL PAID	\$	110,783.70	IOWA DEPT OF REVENUE SALES	\$ 252.21
			IOWA DEPT OF REVENUE WATER	\$ 811.66
			Iowa State W/H	\$ 1,044.55
			Iowa GEMT	\$ 285.47
			Iowa One Call	\$ 20.70
			IPERS	\$ 2,919.82
			JOHN DEERE	\$ 564.99
			Knowles Automotive	\$ 391.54
			LEAF	\$ 67.25
			Microbac Laboratories	\$ 26.25
			Mohrfeld Electric	\$ 438.71
			Quill	\$ 55.58
			Shorty's Portys	\$ 80.00
			SOUTHERN IOWA ELECTRIC	\$ 1,632.60
			Van Buren County Register	\$ 108.23
			Warner Engineering	\$ 5,764.00
			Wasko Hardware	\$ 8.37
			WEMIGA	\$ 4,324.75
			WINDSTREAM	\$ 791.86
			TOTAL TO BE PAID	\$ 29,566.69