

**CITY OF FARMINGTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 12, 2023**

The Farmington City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Monday June 12, 2023, at Farmington City Hall. Mayor Kevin Denly called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Council members present for roll call were, Timothy Halbrook, Michael Browning, Stephen Gobush, Richard Burkett, and Taylor Diephuis. Also present during the meeting were City Clerk, Alisha Davidson; Maintenance Superintendent, Bryan Huff; Park Managers; April and Nathan Smith, City Engineer; Jim Warner, Fire Chief; Jacob Drummond, Library Director; Christine Westercamp, and guests Ken Mercer, Todd and Jenn Hoskin, and Marci Adams. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion was made by Halbrook to approve the Agenda, seconded by Browning and carried 5-0. Motion by Browning to approve minutes of regular meeting of May 8, 2023, and special meeting of May 16, 2023. Motion was seconded by Gobush and carried 5-0. Gobush made a motion to approve the Financial Reports, seconded by Burkett, and carried 5-0. Motion by Halbrook to approve the Claims. Motion was seconded by Gobush and carried 5-0.

Browning made a motion to open the Public Hearing with regard to Amendment of the 2022-2023 Budget. Halbrook seconded the motion. Roll call: Burkett-Aye; Diephuis-Aye; Browning-Aye; Gobush-Aye; Halbrook-Aye. Motion carried 5-0. Public Hearing was opened at 6:06 PM., As Council had previously reviewed the budget amendment and there being no public comment, Browning made a motion to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Halbrook. Roll call: Burkett-Aye; Diephuis-Aye; Browning-Aye; Gobush-Aye; Halbrook-Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

RESOLUTION 2023-09 – Resolution Amending the Current Budget for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023. Motion made by Browning, seconded by Halbrook to approve the FY 2023 Budget Amendment as published. Roll call: Halbrook-AYE; Browning-AYE; Gobush-AYE; Burkett-AYE. Diephuis-AYE. Motion carried.

Marci Adams was present to discuss with the council, Van Buren Community School Music Department would like the use of the Community Center for free from 9-1 on dates June 20, and 27, July 11, and August 8. Motion was made by Browning to approve use of community center for free for the kids, with cleaning of the facility. Motion was seconded by Gobush. Motion carried 5-0

Council discussed citizens complaints. Halbrook made a motion to send a letter to resident on grass, and junk cars; with grass being mowed by June 23, or city will mow for \$75.00 hour or minimum of \$150.00. Giving 30 days on junk cars. Motion was seconded by Browning. Motion carried 5-0. Discussion on sending letter to resident on complaint of dog.

Engineer, Jim Warner was present to inform Council and Mayor; City of Farmington is not eligible for grant to help pay for the sewer upgrades. Jim discussed other opportunities, and will explore more into these opportunities.

Council reviewed the business garbage waiver submitted by Casey's 2592. After discussion, Browning made a motion to approve, seconded by Diephuis. Motion carried 5-0.

Library Director; Christine Westercamp was present to give Library report. Library is asking for use of the Community Center on August 2nd. Motion was made by Browning to waive fee for use of the Community Center. Diephuis seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Jenn Hoskins from Arts council discussed with the council that we had a record number of people attend the Strawberry Festival this year. Jenn states they have a few things they need to find a better system, but everything was a success.

No EMS Report.

Jake Drummond, Todd Hoskin, and Ken Mercer were present to give the Fire Department Report. Jake stated fire department fundraiser was a success, they sold out. Profit of \$3,500. Ken Mercer discussed with the council new lighting that is needed in the fire department building. Council decided to table discussion, and directed fire department to also look at grants.

April and Nathan discussed upcoming fundraisers for the park. April stated the sewer issues have been resolved, and new septic wagon has been delivered. April discussed with council the back electric area needs another pedestal so all campers can reach electric. Council will take bids for electric. New cabin cement was discussed and contractors will be contacted. April discussed that not all campsites have picnic tables, some picnic tables have broken in last few weeks. Council discussed operating months for the campground and will not change anything at this time. Discussion on an on-call employee for April was tabled for now. Browning made a motion to purchase Honey wagon from Naberhaus Implement for \$6,200.00 with this including a \$300.00 discount. Burkett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

RESOLUTION 2023-10 – Resolution Authorizing Fund Transfers. This Resolution authorizes transfers to and from various funds in accordance with State guidelines. Motion made by Halbrook, seconded by Browning to approve Resolution 2023-10 – Resolution Authorizing Fund Transfers. Roll Call: Halbrook-AYE; Browning-AYE; Gobush -AYE; Burkett-AYE, Diephuis-AYE. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2023-11- Street Lighting Resolution. City Council approved City of Farmington will take billing responsibility light ZS1067 Corner of HWY 2 & Sandy Lane Rd. Motion to approve the resolution was made by Halbrook. Motion seconded by Browning, and motion carried 5-0.

Council discussed Tax deed for 202 S 5th street. Council discussed looking into procedures of sealed bid.

Motion was made by Taylor to approve renewal of Dollar General Alcohol license. Seconded by Browning. Motion carried 5-0.

Council and Mayor discussed fall elections and guidelines.

Maintenance Report. Bryan discussed with council about Lagoon fence needing repaired in certain sections. Council discussed new cell phone for Bryan with his not able to take calls anymore. Council and Mayor reviewed evaluation with Bryan. Burkett made a motion to approve \$59.00 a month for cell phone allowance to Bryan. Motion seconded by Browning. Motion carried 5-0.

Hygenic Laboratory results: Total e. Coli from Bacteria absent.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 P.M.

Signed _____ Mayor Date: ____ 06/14/23 ____

Signed _____ City Clerk Date: ____ 06/14/23 ____

CLAIMS FOR APPROVAL JUNE 12, 2023

DNR	\$ 222.00	ACCESS SYSTEMS	\$ 41.81
DNR	\$ 123.50	AFLAC	\$ 168.24
WELLMARK	\$ 1,220.24	ALLIANT ENERGY	\$ 2,634.83
ACCESS ENERGY	\$ 44.20	ARMSTRONG TRACTOR	\$ 197.79
VISA	\$ 68.03	B & B PROPANE	\$ 1,155.00
DNR	\$ 226.50	BROZENE HYDRAULICS	\$ 37.69
MORGAN FLOOD	\$ 156.50	CASEYS	\$ 703.43
CHRISTOPHER HULETT	\$ 57.59	COLE CONSTRUCTION	\$ 314.60
US POSTMASTER	\$ 63.00	CULLEN PEST CONTROL	\$ 80.00
CAPITAL ONE-WAL MART	\$ 187.86	EFTPS	\$ 2,571.02
US POSTMASTER	\$ 119.04	ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS	\$ 96.00
RATHBUN REGIONAL WATER	\$ 3,985.00	FEHSEKE & GRAY LAW OFFICE	\$ 224.00
DNR	\$ 129.00	IOWA DEPT OR REVENUE-WATER	\$ 93.09
MTOT	\$ 146.00	IOWA DEPT OR REVENUE-SALES	\$ 555.64
DEPT OF NAT RES	\$ 120.00	IOWA GEMT PAYMENT PROGRAM	\$ 1,359.28
NABERHAUS IMPLEMENT	\$ 6,200.00	IPERS	\$ 1,861.95
DNR	\$ 21.50	J LEU CONTRACTING	\$ 1,036.00
MAY PAYROLL	\$ 8,892.55	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	\$ 565.59
TOTAL PAID	\$ 21,982.51	LEAF	\$ 67.25
		MENARDS	\$ 779.31
		MICROBAC LABORATORIES	\$ 28.00
		RANDYS PLUMBING	\$ 800.00
		SHORTYS PORTYS	\$ 280.00
		SOUTHERN IOWA ELECT	\$ 1,478.17
		TIM HALBROOK	\$ 83.60
		VAN BUREN COUNTY REGISTER	\$ 302.40
		WASKO HARDWARE	\$ 44.99
		WEMIGA WASTE INC	\$ 4,151.00
		WESTERCAMP LAWN CARE	\$ 1,300.00
		WILSON PAPER CO	\$ 151.30
		WINDSTREAM	\$ 493.45
		TOTAL PAID	\$ 23,655.43