

**CITY OF FARMINGTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 8, 2022**

The Farmington City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, September 8, 2022 at Farmington City Hall. Mayor Kevin Denly called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Council members present for roll call were Taylor Diephuis, Stephen Gobush, Timothy Halbrook, and Michael Browning. Richard Burkett was not present. Also present during the meeting were City Clerk, Alisha Davidson; Maintenance Superintendent, Bryan Huff; Park Manager, Tony Walford; and guest; Holly Turner.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion was made by Halbrook to approve the Agenda, seconded by Browning and carried 4-0. Motion by Gobush to approve minutes of the August 8, 2022 regular meeting. Motion was seconded by Halbrook and carried 4-0. Gobush made a motion to approve the Financial Reports, seconded by Browning. Carried 4-0. Motion by Halbrook to approve the Claims. Motion was seconded by Browning and carried 4-0.

Council approved Goehring Auction Company verbal request to close Front Street for an auction being held on September 24th. Motion was made by Browning and motion seconded by Halbrook. Motion carried 4-0

Council reviewed a dog complaint. Letter will be sent to owner.

Holly Turner asked Council to approve closing Elm Street on October 29th for businesses to have a Trunk or Treat night. Diephuis made a motion to approve closing Elm Street for Trunk or Treat night on Saturday, October 29, 2022 from 5:30 PM-8:30 PM. Browning seconded the motion and motion carries 4-0.

Motion by Halbrook, seconded by Browning to hold Trick or Treat night on Sunday, October 30, 2022 from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM. Motion carried 4-0.

Council reviewed application for Urban Revitalization Improvement Project building submitted by Taylor Diephuis. Motion was made by Browning to approve, seconded by Gobush and carried 3-0, with Diephuis abstaining from the vote.

Council reviewed application for Urban Revitalization Improvement Project building submitted by Michael & Janet Browning. Motion was made by Halbrook to approve, seconded by Gobush and carried 3-0, with Browning abstaining from the vote.

Council reviewed application for Urban Revitalization Improvement Project building submitted by Lori Kaemmerer. Motion was made by Halbrook to approve, seconded by Gobush and carried 4-0.

Council reviewed application for Urban Revitalization Improvement Project building submitted by Jeffrey Pace. Motion was made by Halbrook to approve, seconded by Browning and carried 4-0.

Council reviewed Library Report, as well as a request from Freda Bumgarner to resign from her position on the library board. Halbrook made a motion to accept the library report and Freda Bumgarner resignation, with regrets. Browning seconded the motion and motion carried 4-0.

No Arts Council, or EMS reports. Council reviewed Fire Department Report.

Park Manager, Tony Walford reported that Bryan and Tony had taken care of a water leak out at the park. He also reported he contacted Brian Jenkins to look at several trees that may need to be taken down. DNR has also been contacted to look at one specific tree. Council discussed trenching wire to the shed before winter. Motion was made by Browning to rent a trencher from Kemper's. Motion was seconded by Halbrook and carried 4-0.

Walford requested a closed session with council and council members voted to go into a close session. Browning- Aye; Halbrook- Aye; Diephuis- Aye; Gobush- Aye. Council moved into a closed session at 6:50 PM. Motion by Browning to leave closed session, motion seconded by Halbrook, motioned carried 4-0. Closed Session adjourned at 6:52 PM. Council rejected Walford's offer. Motion by Browning to reject Walford's offer. Motion seconded by Halbrook, and motion carried 4-0.

Council Discussed DNR Porta Potty and decided that it would be locked except for special events.

Maintenance Superintendent Bryan Huff reported L.L Pelling is done with the roads. He also reported he was almost done with instillation on new meters. He is waiting on supplies to finish. The Community Center had a high electric bill in August, Huff found the middle air conditioner unit leaking freon and needed recharged. Council discussed fixing the awning on the shop this fall.

RESOLUTION 2022-13 Street lighting resolution. City Council approved moving the street light located in front of the 607 South Front Street, one pole south of existing location. Motion to approve the resolution was made by Diephuis. Motion seconded by Gobush, and motion carries 4-0.

Browning made a motion to approve renewal of Alcohol license for Casey's, seconded by Diephuis. Motions carried 4-0.

Council discussed Farmington Homecoming Parade, Motion was made by Browning to accept the parade date, September 24th, 2022 and change parade route due to an auction in town. Parade route will start on 6th Street and Tremont, 3rd Street, State Street, Front Street, Elm Street back to 3rd Street. Motion seconded by Gobush; motion carried 4-0.

Council approved Alisha going to Annual Conference. Motion was made by Gobush and seconded by Taylor. Motion carries 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 P.M.

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

Signed _____ Mayor Date: _____ 8/11/22 _____

Signed _____ City Clerk Date: _____ 8/11/22 _____

(Claims attached on next page)

CLAIMS FOR APPROVAL SEPTEMBER 8, 2022

DNR	\$	40.00	AFLAC	\$	168.24
DNR	\$	43.00	ALLIANT ENERGY	\$	3,069.64
AMERICAN BEDDING	\$	1,020.52	AMERICAN WATER WORKS	\$	90.00
IA LIBRARY ASSOC	\$	180.00	ARMSTRONG TRACTOR	\$	165.07
DNR	\$	385.00	ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	\$	126.22
ACCESS ENERGY	\$	36.92	B & B PROPANE	\$	1,155.00
CAPITOL ONE	\$	291.86	BRIANS TREE SERVICE	\$	400.00
VISA	\$	16.88	CASEY'S GENREAL STORE	\$	757.68
US POSTMASTER	\$	111.76	CULLEN PEST CONTROL	\$	170.00
WELLMARK BCBS	\$	3,315.79	DOLLAR GENERAL	\$	19.00
DNR	\$	33.00	DON'S SERVICE & REPAIR	\$	159.70
ADVANCED MERCHANT SERV	\$	53.49	EFTPS	\$	3,183.35
RATHBUN REGIONAL WATER	\$	3,662.20	FEHSEKE & GRAY LAW OFFICE	\$	150.00
SEPTMBER PAYROLL	\$	11,582.60	FIRE SERVICE TRAINING	\$	100.00
TOTAL PAID	\$	20,773.02	GAIL PESZAT	\$	64.20
			HUFFMAN'S FARM & HOME	\$	207.30
			IOWA DEPT OF REVENUE	\$	1,564.09
			IOWA GEMT	\$	989.84
			IPERS	\$	2,433.01
			JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	\$	565.59
			JULIE OR TONY WALFORD	\$	18.01
			KEOSAUQUA LUMBER CO	\$	9.05
			KEYSTONE LABORATORIES	\$	21.00
			LEAF	\$	67.25
			MICROBAC LABORATRIES	\$	21.00
			MID-AMERCISN RESEARCH CHEM	\$	4,719.60
			QUILL CORP	\$	61.66
			RANDY'S PLUMBING INC	\$	800.00
			SEELEY FRY	\$	75.00
			STATE CENTRAL BANK	\$	24.00
			STATE HYGIENTIC LAB	\$	130.00
			SOUTHERN IA ELECTRIC	\$	902.98
			VAN BUREN COUNTY REGISTER	\$	110.16
			VAN BUREN COUNTY TREASURER	\$	590.00
			VAN BUREN COUNTY TREASURER	\$	12,454.00
			WASKO HARDWARE	\$	125.25
			WEMIGA WASTE INC	\$	4,516.52
			WILSON PAPER CO	\$	31.68
			WINDSTREAM	\$	726.69
			TOTAL TO BE PAID	\$	40,941.78