

**CITY OF FARMINGTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 11, 2023**

The Farmington City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Monday, September 11, 2023, at Farmington City Hall. Mayor Pro Tem Michael Browning called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Council members present for roll call in addition to Michael Browning were Stephen Gobush, Richard Burkett and Timothy Halbrook. Mayor Denly and Taylor Diephuis were absent. Also present during the meeting were City Clerk, Alisha Davidson; Maintenance Superintendent, Bryan Huff; Park Manager, April Smith; Fire Chief, Kerby Fry, and guest Jan Huff.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion was made by Halbrook to approve the Agenda, seconded by Gobush and carried 3-0. Motion by Gobush to approve minutes of regular meeting of August 14, 2023. Motion was seconded by Halbrook and carried 3-0. Gobush made a motion to approve the Financial Reports, seconded by Burkett and carried 3-0. Motion by Halbrook to approve the Claims. Motion was seconded by Gobush and carried 3-0.

Holly Turner was not able to be present for the meeting but has asked the Council to approve Trunk or Treat night for October 28th from 5:30-7:30 and close Elm Street for the event. Motion was made by Halbrook to approve closure of Elm Street on Saturday the 28th for Trunk or Treat. Motion was seconded by Burkett and carried 3-0.

Jan Huff was present to discuss with the council the first Harmony Homecoming Parade. Jan discussed the parade will be on Saturday, September 23rd at 1:00 pm and would like the approval to close the parade route, starting at Wildrose Park to Walnut, Front, Elm, 3rd Street, back to Walnut. Motion was made by Halbrook to approve street closure for parade for first annual Harmony Homecoming parade on Saturday the 23rd. Motion was seconded by Burkett and carried 3-0.

No Library, Art Council, or EMS report.

Kerby Fry new Fire Chief gave report to the council. Air packs are in that were purchased from the FEMA grant. Cascade System will need purchased yet; Fire department will let Council know cost of this system soon. New Thermal imaging camera was purchased, the one they have is out dated. September they will be testing fire hose and October 4th they will have pump testing. Fire Department will have Midwest Portraits for fundraiser in November again this year.

Park Manager April Smith gave a report on Indian Lake Park letting council know they are in the process of getting the park ready for winter. April discussed with council about WE-9, and F9 electric not working currently. April went over fundraisers that have been done at the park and has a few more before the end of the season. April asked the council to approve a quote to get power to the shelter house. Motion was made by Halbrook to accept BS Electric LLC bid for shelter house. Motion was seconded by Gobush and motion carried 3-0. April discussed buying a popcorn machine and projector for events at the park. Motion was made by Halbrook to purchase popcorn machine and projector. Motion was seconded by Gobush and motion carried 3-0. Council reviewed a quote for repairs that needed to be completed in the

manager's house. Council has asked for one more quote, April will contact one more contractor.

Maintenance Superintendent Bryan Huff advised council about meter pit at Don Gull residence. Council has asked to meet with Don to discuss options for meter pit. Bryan also discussed emergency lights at the community center needing replaced, council advised in calling an electrician to look into getting new ones. Conditions of roads were also discussed. Bryan shared with council he fixed the door on the city building attached to the post office.

Gobush made a motion to approve renewal of Alcohol license for Casey's, seconded by Burkett. Motion carried 3-0.

Council discussed purchasing Blink Cameras; more information needed for next meeting.

Motion by Halbrook, seconded by Gobush to hold Trick or Treat night on Saturday, October 28th from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM. Motion carried 3-0.

Council discussed options presented by American Tower for a long-term easement. Halbrook made a motion to Accept Option 1 for the tower lease agreement as presented. Motion was seconded by Gobush and carried 3-0.

Council reviewed proposed Ordinance 42 Floodplain Management, proposed Ordinance 19 Water, proposed Ordinance 16 Sewer, and proposed Ordinance 17 Solid Waste. Motion was made by Gobush to move forward with the Ordinances. Motion was seconded by Halbrook, Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 P.M.

Hygenic Laboratory results: Total e. Coli from Bacteria absent

Signed:/s/ Michael Browning, Mayor Pro Tem Date: 09/13/23

Signed: /s/ Alisha Davidson, City Clerk Date: 09/13/23

CLAIMS FOR APPROVAL SEPTMEBER 11, 2023

ACCESS ENERGY	\$	44.55	ACCESS SYSTEMS	\$	31.83
VAN BUREN COUNTY TRES	\$	651.00	AFLAC	\$	330.44
VISA	\$	44.68	ALISHA DAVIDSON	\$	12.58
1ST IOWA STATE BANK	\$	25,000.00	ALLIANT ENERGY	\$	3,125.02
DNR	\$	69.00	ARMSTRONG TRACTOR	\$	209.54
CAPITAL ONE	\$	1,270.12	B & B PROPANE	\$	400.00
DNR	\$	147.50	BRYAN HUFF	\$	59.00
WELLMARK BCBS	\$	1,220.24	CASEY'S GENERAL STORE	\$	646.93
US POSTMASTER	\$	127.50	COLE CONSTRUCTION	\$	220.00
WEMIGA	\$	10.00	CREATIVE COMPUTER CONCEPTS	\$	35.00
FELD FIRE	\$	76,506.52	CULLEN PEST CONTROL	\$	2,147.00
ADVANCED MERCHNT SERV	\$	107.51	EFTPS	\$	3,733.25
DNR	\$	165.50	ENVIROMENTAL SOLUTIONS	\$	48.00
RATHBUN REGIONAL WATER	\$	4,293.65	FARMINGTON EMERGENCY RESP	\$	1,500.00
AUGUST PAYROLL	\$	12,776.46	FEHSEKE & GRAY LAW	\$	184.50
TOTAL PAID	\$	122,434.23	IOWA DEPT OF REVENUE-WATER	\$	94.47
			IOWA DEPT OF REVENUE-SALE TAX	\$	430.71
			IPERS	\$	2,695.66
			JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	\$	565.59
			LEAF	\$	67.25
			MENARDS	\$	274.53
			MICROBAC LABORATORIES	\$	28.00
			MID AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEM	\$	736.78
			MT HAMILL ELEVATOR & LUMB	\$	105.00
			PHILP INSURANCE AGENCY	\$	20.00
			QUILL CORP	\$	68.98
			SHORTY'S PORTY'S	\$	280.00
			SOUTHERN IOWA ELECTRIC	\$	1,306.73
			STATE CENTRAL BANK	\$	24.00
			STATE HYGENIC LAB	\$	21.00
			VAN BUREN COUNTY REGISTER	\$	313.56
			WEMIGA	\$	4,358.55
			WESTERCAMP LAWN CARE	\$	1,950.00
			WILSON PAPER COMPANY	\$	209.65
			WINDSTREAM	\$	762.59
			TOTAL TO BE PAID	\$	26,996.14