

January 4, 2017

The regular meeting of the City of Bertram was held on the above date at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Mayor James Drahos was present and presided at the meeting. Council members present were Robert Malone, William Mulholland, Stephanie Vislisel, and Steven Carpenter (by phone). Council member absent was Penny Kula.

The Linn County Sheriff was unable to attend and provided the monthly report later. Required hours: 26.0; actual hours recorded: 41.0; 7 calls for service.

Malone made motion to approve the minutes from the December Council Meeting. MSB (motion seconded by) Vislisel. None opposed, motion carried.

Mulholland made motion to accept and pay the following bills for January. MSB Malone. None opposed, motion carried.

Warrant No	Payee	Purpose	Amount
116	Alliant Energy	City Hall Electricity	72.99
117	Alliant Energy	Street Lights	468.82
118	Alliant Energy	City Park Electricity	20.66
119	Alliant Energy	High Point Electricity	21.80
120	Mediacom	Phone/Internet	158.76
121	Mount Vernon-Lisbon Sun	Publication Fees for December	84.95
122	Jason Houghtaling	Payroll for December	714.27
123	Casey's General Stores, Inc	Fuel for truck	124.39
124	IPERS	Payroll benefits for Dec16	218.77
125	United States Treasury	Federal payroll taxes Q4	641.70
126	Treasurer, State of Iowa	State withholding tax Q4	60.00
127	VISA	Postage	46.99
128	Linn County Fire District #1	Fire protection pmt #1	2,254.00
129	VISA	Parts for snow plow	455.30
130	VISA	Parts for snow plow/sander	280.89
131	Taylor Construction, Inc	Ely St Bridge Construction Pmt #5	20,672.55
132	Carlyle Bys	Building inspection fees	\$75.00
133	VJ Engineering	Engr services for Ely St bridge for Nov16	68,487.17
134	James Drahos	Building inspection fees	150.00
		Total Bills for Operating Account	95,009.01
W027	Alliant Energy	City Well Electricity	211.96
W028	Jared Vogeler	Operations for Dec16	380.00
W028.5	Keystone Laboratories, Inc	Water Testing for Dec16	12.00
W029	Treasurer, State of Iowa	Sales tax for Q4	102.00
W030	VISA	Postage	47.00
		Total Bills for Water Account	752.96
		Total Bills for January	95,761.97

Malone made motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for the period ending December 31, 2016. MSB Vislisel. None opposed, motion carried.

	Beg Fund Balance	Deposits	Disbursements	End Fund Balance	Investments	Total Fund Balance
General	231,784.91	599.21	8,312.18	224,071.94	507,657.05	731,728.99
Road Use Tax	23,309.38	2,718.52	1,910.63	24,117.27		24,117.27
LOST	65,385.87	3,179.32	0.00	68,565.19		68,565.19
Building Fund	15,146.22	1,155.00	0.00	16,301.22		16,301.22
Capital Projects	(160,343.41)	529,954.88	473,418.63	(103,807.16)		(103,807.16)
Water	12,867.62	1,534.16	608.73	13,793.05		13,793.05
Total Clerk's Balance	188,150.59	539,141.09	484,250.17	243,041.51	507,657.05	750,698.56
Total Outstanding				4,904.34		
Total Bank Balance				247,945.85		

Bridge Updates: Bridge construction is complete, but approaches and guard rails are delayed until spring due to weather.

The owner at 33 Ely Street was present at the meeting and presented a new offer: \$30,000 would include the property and demo of all structures. Or, \$20,000 without demo. City to get property assessed. Once assessment is complete, Council will determine if a purchase agreement will be drafted.

Budget workshop is scheduled for January 25th, 5pm at City Hall.

Cycle clock on pump house generator was bad. Cummins repaired it. The generator now cycles on every Wednesday at 8:20 am.

After hours list updated and Clerk to forward to Linn County Sheriff's Office. Bolten & Menk will meet with Vislisel, representatives from the railroad, DOT, and the Federal RR Safety Administration to assess options for a quiet zone.

City needs to update right-of-way map. Vislisel to contact assessor's office for assistance.

Linn County Health dept has been contacted to assess the safety of 200 Angle Street.

Carpenter to schedule spring and fall roadside cleanup days.

Malone made motion to adjourn. MSB Mulholland. None opposed, meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Lisa Berry
Clerk