

August 3, 2016

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

The Linn County Sheriff was present at the meeting and provided the Council with the monthly report. Required hours: 26.0; actual hours recorded: 32.90; 6 calls for service.

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

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

Warrant No	Payee	Purpose	Amount
020	Alliant Energy	City Hall Electricity	47.78
021	Alliant Energy	Street Lights	468.31
022	Alliant Energy	City Park Electricity	17.71
023	Alliant Energy	High Point Electricity	17.93
024	Mediacom	Phone/Internet	94.84
025	Mount Vernon-Lisbon Sun	Publication Fees for July	72.90
026	Jason Houghtaling	Payroll for July	1,130.29
027	IPERS	Payroll benefits for Jul16	184.73
028	Mark Garvey	Papa Balloon services for Homecoming	250.00
029	Casey's General Stores, Inc	Fuel for mower & tractor	195.09
030	VISA	Sprayer & week killer	223.97
031	Hills Bank & Trust Co.	Loan payment	925.81
032	Linn Co-Op Oil Company	LP fuel contract for 2016-17	364.11
		Total Bills for Operating Account	3,993.47
W007	Alliant Energy	City Well Electricity	65.74
W008	Jared Vogeler	Operations for Jul16	345.00
W009	Keystone Laboratories, Inc	Water Testing for Jul16	69.00
		Total Bills for Water Account	479.74
		Total Bills for August	4,473.21

Kula made motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for the period ending July 31, 2016. MSB Carpenter. None opposed, motion carried.

	Beg Fund Balance	Deposits	Disbursements	End Fund Balance	Investments	Total Fund Balance
General	214,463.45	997.92	6,667.24	208,794.13	504,770.89	713,565.02
Road Use Tax	12,275.77	2,736.14	724.93	14,286.98		14,286.98
LOST	48,519.63	2,524.95	0.00	51,044.58		51,044.58
Building Fund	13,998.22	54.00	0.00	14,052.22		14,052.22
Capital Projects	(154,932.19)	0.00	239.09	(155,171.28)		(155,171.28)
Water	14,331.25	135.81	729.97	13,737.09		13,737.09
Total Clerk's Balance	148,656.13	6,448.82	8,361.23	146,743.72	504,770.89	651,514.61
Total Outstanding				138.52		
Total Bank Balance				146,882.24		

Bridge Updates: Mobilization is on hold pending the relocation of telephone cables. Malone to contact Century Link.

Rustic Ridge residents have requested a plan of tree trimming in their neighborhood. There is at least one dead tree on the NE corner of Angle and 3rd Streets. The bid to remove the willow tree at 33 Ely Street from Tree Care, LLC was \$1,169.00. City Council has authorized Jason Houghtaling to cut down the tree. Vislisel will obtain bids for stump removal.

The NE corner of Bertram & Angle Streets needs to be cleaned up. Clerk to draft a letter to property owners.

Carpenter to obtain additional bids for tree cleanup at City Park, 1234 3rd Street, and Rustic Ridge. Malone made motion to accept the lowest bid for these tree removals. MSB Kula. None opposed, motion carried.

Horseshoe areas at City Park need to be moved or trees removed to open up the playing area.

Park Improvement Planning:

Carpenter & Mulholland met with Angie Cole regarding grant options for part improvements. It was decided to forego the REAP grant at this time, but there are other grants available that would be more applicable.

Disc golf baskets have been received for High Point. Kula to meet with course designer on 8/4/16 for update.

City Clerk to seek input from residents for suggestions on park improvements.

Miscellaneous Discussion:

The fence is repaired at City Park. Tennis Services of Iowa estimates \$175 to cover repairs to the court surface.

RR Quiet Zone Updates: Vislisel contacted officials from the City of Ogden regarding their quiet zone process and success. She will contact the engineering firm that Ogden used for a list of references.

BERTAM HOMECOMING IS AUGUST 20! Volunteers are asked to help put up the tents on Friday 8/19 beginning at 6:00 pm.

Kula made motion to approve contract with Linn Co-Op Oil Company for 1,000 gallons of LP gas at \$0.92/gallon. MSB Malone. None opposed, motion carried. A credit carryover from previous year of \$555.89 will be applied to payment of the new contract.

Carpenter made motion to adjourn. MSB Kula. None opposed, meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM.

Lisa Berry
City Clerk