## February 6, 2019

The regular meeting of the City of Bertram was held on the above date at 7:00pm at City Hall. Mayor William Mulholland was present and presided at the meeting. Council members present were Steven Carpenter (by phone), David Hunt, Robert Malone, Nancy McBurney, and Chris Price.

The Linn County Sheriff was unable to attend the meeting.

Hunt made motion to approve the minutes from the Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting, MSB Price. None opposed, motion carried.

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

Warrant No	<u>Payee</u>	Purpose	<u>Amount</u>
146	Alliant Energy	City Hall Electricity	91.08
147	Alliant Energy	Street Lights	486.41
148	Alliant Energy	City Park Electricity	20.62
149	Alliant Energy	High Point Park Electricity	21.21
150	Verizon Wireless	Phone/Internet	90.32
151	Mount Vernon-Lisbon Sun	Publication Fees	63.40
152	IPERS	Payroll Benefits	282.24
153	Jason Houghtaling	Payroll for Jan	1,005.46
154	Sheldon King	Payroll for Jan	54.22
155	Anthony Vislisel	Payroll for Jan	100.69
156	D&D Tree Service	Tree removal Rustic Ridge	2,300.00
157	Linn County Sheriff's Office	Police Services	2,730.00
158	Office of Auditor of State	Periodic exam fee	475.00
159	IMFOA	Annual Dues	50.00
160	Iowa Prison Industries	Street sign	91.40
161	VISA	W2/1099 software	79.16
162	VISA	Fuel/parts for trucks	216.62
163	Casey's General Stores, Inc	Fuel for trucks	170.00
164	Anthony Vislisel	Parts for Dodge truck	13.90
		Total Bills for Operating Account	8,341.73
W033	Alliant Energy	City Well Electricity	183.75
W034	Jared Vogeler	Operations for Jan	300.00
W035	Keystone Laboratories, Inc	Water Testing Jan	12.50
		Total Bills for Water Account	496.25
		Total Bills for February	8,837.98

The Treasurer's Report was inadvertently left off the agenda. Full review of January's financials will occur at March meeting.

Hunt made motion to approve Linn County Sheriff's services for a minimum of six (6) hours per week at a rate of \$36.00 per hour for FY2020. MSB Price. None opposed, motion carried.

Council discussed a growing feral cat situation occurring at corner of Green St and 2<sup>nd</sup> St with property owner. Owner has voluntarily taken some to CVHS, but the cost is prohibitive for all of the cats. There will be a Trap-Neuter-Return & Cat Care Workshop at the Township Hall on 3/16/19 from 10am-noon to provide a humane way to limit cat population expansion.

Price made motion to allow Clerk to purchase Windows 10 and upgrade city laptop. MSB McBurney. None opposed, motion carried.

Snow removal discussion: Tony Vislisel was able to repair the Dodge truck on 2/6/19. Marion's supply of salt is low, with unknown delivery date for more, so they are limiting the number of truckloads of sand/salt mix we can get. The option for straight sand is available from the quarry. Need to add Chris Price to list of authorized drivers for the Dodge truck. It would be beneficial to find a fourth person who is available week days to cover snow removal so existing employees do not jeopardize their full-time jobs.

Budget public hearing will be set for 3/6/19 – any council requests for updates need to be submitted to Clerk by 2/17/19 for publication of public hearing notice.

FEMA is requesting additional documentation in their review of our final reimbursement request. Clerk to review existing notes/emails. Council requested addition of funds to FY2020 budget for animal control (min. \$500), as well as funds for signage.

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

Lisa Berry Clerk