

April 1, 2020

The regular meeting of the City of Bertram was held on the above date at 7:00pm virtually via Zoom/phone conference. Mayor Dave Hunt presided at the meeting. Council members present were Steve Carpenter, Kim Morahan, Bill Mulholland, Chris Price and Margy Wilson.

Wilson made motion approve the agenda as posted. MSB Carpenter. None opposed, motion carried.

No public comments regarding any agenda items.

Mulholland made motion to approve the minutes from the Mar 4 meeting and Mar 24 budget hearing. MSB Morahan. None opposed, motion carried.

Linn County Sheriff monthly report was sent to Hunt: 50.70 hours and 6 calls for service.

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

Warrant No	Payee	Purpose	Amount
175	Alliant Energy	City Hall Electricity	66.45
176	Alliant Energy	Streetlights	570.25
177	Alliant Energy	City Park Electricity	24.24
178	Alliant Energy	High Point Park Electricity	25.30
179	Verizon Wireless	Phone/Internet	91.88
180	VOID		
181	IPERS	Retirement Benefits for Mar Payroll	264.90
182	United States Treasury	Fed Payroll Taxes	945.32
183	Treasurer, State of Iowa	State Withholding Taxes	60.00
184	Frontline Warning Systems	Siren Maintenance	400.00
185	VISA	Postage	55.00
186	Keystone Laboratories Inc	Water testing at parks	25.00
187	Woodward Community Media	Publication Fees	306.91
188	Chris Newitt	Website hosting	239.40
189	Iowa Prison Industries	Street signs/hardware/posts	209.70
190	Nazette Marner Nathanson Shea LLP	Attorney fees	8,375.00
		Total Bills for Operating Account	11,659.35
W040	Alliant Energy	City Well Electricity	218.97
W041	Jared Vogeler	Operations	380.00
W042	Keystone Laboratories, Inc	Water testing	12.50
W043	Treasurer, State of Iowa	WET Tax	160.00
		Total Bills for Water Account	771.47
		Total Bills for April	12,430.82

Clerk to send Frontline Warning Systems contact info to Mulholland. Wilson to investigate nitrate testing of water supply.

Wilson made motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month ended Mar 31, 2020. MSB Carpenter. None opposed, motion carried.

	Beg Fund Balance	Deposits	Disbursements	End Fund Balance	Investments	Total Fund Balance
General	471,172.34	1,484.91	3,621.46	469,035.79	196,335.04	665,370.83
Road Use Tax	101,935.85	1,490.29	1,027.76	102,398.38		102,398.38
LOST	67,791.82	2,735.59	0.00	70,527.41		70,527.41
Building Fund	17,812.22	0.00	0.00	17,812.22		17,812.22
Capital Projects	(4,623.13)	0.00	0.00	(4,623.13)		(4,623.13)
Water	12,226.84	2,664.27	577.30	14,313.81		14,313.81
Total Clerk's Balance	666,315.94	8,375.06	5,226.52	669,464.48	196,335.04	865,799.52
Total Outstanding				921.40		
Total Bank Balance				670,385.88		

COVID19 updates: there is a rise in number of cases in Linn County. We should all encourage others to stay home and keep their distance as much as possible. Playground equipment is closed – new signs need to be posted and caution tape placed around it. Price made motion to suspend water disconnection and waive interest charges on delinquent accounts until May 31, 2020. MSB Wilson. None opposed, motion passed.

Correspondence: Linn County Solid Waste Agency is closed to the public due to COVID19, but is still accepting curbside collections from commercial account holders; also their FY21 rate are staying flat. Carpenter still working with ECICOG on Land Use updates. Annual street sweeping project authorized by Hunt – Mulholland to contact Kluesner to get it scheduled. Hunt asked everyone to encourage friends and neighbors to complete their census accurately to help the city maximize funding for the next 10 years. Also, need to remind lower income citizens to file a simple tax return in order to receive stimulus money.

Price made motion to adjourn. MSB Morahan. None opposed, meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM.

Lisa Berry
Clerk