

December 04, 2024

The regular meeting of the City of Bertram was held on the above date at 7:00 pm at City Hall. Mayor Scott Flaherty presided over the meeting. Council members present were Louise Hall, John Klimek, Bill Mulholland, Chris Price and Jim Unzeitig. City Attorney Kevin Shea present.

Hall made a motion to move C1 to R1 and remove R4 and approve the agenda. MSB: Price. Aye: Hall, Mulholland, Klimek, Price, Unzeitig. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

- Prior Meeting Minutes: October 2, 2024.
- Bills/Warrants for Payment.
- Nuisance Property update.
- Treasurer's Report.

Payee	Purpose	Amount
ABC Disposal Systems	Nov Dec Trash	\$55.55
Affordable Pressure Washing	Wash Bathrooms July 2024	\$180.00
Alliant Energy	High Point	\$21.17
Alliant Energy	City Well	\$210.54
Alliant Energy	City Hall	\$42.68
Alliant Energy	City Park	\$21.17
Alliant Energy	Streetlights	\$497.40
CNA Surety	Bond Insurance	\$460.50
Jared J. Vogeler	Operations	\$400.00
Keystone Labs	Annual Water Testing	\$37.25
Orkin	Pest Control	\$52.00
Solutions Works	November Cloud Server/Backup	\$200.00
Student Publications	Publications November	\$231.99
Tom Schmitt Reimbursement	Lawn Mower Maintenance	\$126.49
Verizon Wireless	Internet/Phone	\$88.10
Visa-Berry	Payroll/Annual Payroll fee/QuickBooks annual	\$2076.87
IPERS	Payroll IPERS	\$156.69
Lisa Berry	Payroll	\$284.64
Scott Flaherty	Payroll	\$184.70
Louise Hall	Payroll	\$138.52
John Klimek	Payroll	\$138.53
Raven Kuehl	Payroll	\$335.63
Bill Mulholland	Payroll	\$138.53
Chris Price	Payroll	\$92.35
Tom Schmitt	Payroll	\$199.01
Jim Unzeitig	Payroll	\$184.70
Vislissel, Anthony	Payroll	\$47.36
Vislissel, Stephanie	Payroll	\$47.33
Vislissel, Zach	Payroll	\$29.76
Total Bills		\$6,679.46

	Beg fund Balan	Deposits	Disbursements	End Fund	Total Fund Balances
General	\$706,576.11	\$7,714.92	\$7,994.78	\$706,296.25	\$706,296.25
Road Use Tax	\$219,210.42	\$3,207.24	\$0.00	\$222,417.66	\$222,417.66
LOST	\$270,286.03	\$3,462.49	\$0.00	\$273,748.52	\$273,748.52
Building Fund	\$17,812.22	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,812.22	\$17,812.22
Park Renovation	\$5,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00

ARPA Fund	\$43,361.66	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$43,361.66	\$43,361.66
Water	\$22,808.09	\$4.91	\$1,374.89	\$21,438.11	\$21,438.11
Deposits	\$700.00	0	0	\$700.00	\$700.00
Total	\$1,286,254.53	\$14,389.56	\$9,369.67	\$1,291,274.42	\$1,291,274.42

- Sheriff's Report- 6 Calls/Hours met.
- Update on Treasurer Search-Hiring Committee-Council Member Mullholland stated he contacted multiple cities, and all have the clerk/treasurer position together and also checked with Iowa League of Cities, a town Bertram size generally have the positions together. City Clerk Kuehl started a resolution was done to separate the positions, so to combine a new resolution will need to be written and added to the next meeting's agenda. The council asked if City Clerk Kuehl would do both, City Clerk Kuehl stated she plans to resign after the City has found a clerk/treasurer to replace her. Unzeitig and Mullholland will look into posting a listing for City Clerk/Treasurer.
- Update on Town Hall Garage Repair-Tables to next meeting.
- Update on City Truck Purchase: Council Member Unzeitig asked if Blue Truck would make it through the til spring. Will probably get better price. Tony Vislisel stated it probably would. Council Member Price believes the city could use a 2500 trucks or 3500 with a dump box or chassis and have Futureline frame it out. City plans to get a newer truck and sell the Red Truck that requires a CDL.
- Salt and Sand Budget and Need: Mayor Flaherty stated we have salt for one more go round of snow. Used 3 loads last year. Suggested to order 1 load and have Marion Deliver. Marion is using only salt to be more environmentally friendly.
 - Price makes a motion to approve up to \$4,500.00 for a purchase of salt from City of Marion with delivery. MSB: Hall. AYE: Hall, Klimek, Mulholland, Price, Unzietig. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- January Council meeting date change: Move meeting from Wednesday January 1, 2025, at 7:00 pm to Wednesday January 8, 2025 at 7:00 pm.
 - Hall makes motion to move January Council meeting to Wednesday January 8, 2025 at 7:00 pm. MSB: Price. AYE: Hall, Klimek, Mulholland, Price, Unzietig. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Correspondence:
 - Council Member Klimek asked about upkeep of trucks. Mayor Flaherty stated he has made a checklist. Will discuss getting sand after trying just salt.
- Open to public:
 - Dixie Long: Council Member Unzeitig was going to look into ADA for township hall. Unzeitig apologized he did not get to it. Would like added to next month's meeting agenda. Bonifozi did the downtown survey, need to locate pins and see who owns the sidewalks.
- Hall Makes motion to adjourn. MSB: Klimek. Aye: Hall, Mulholland, Klimek. The motion passed by unanimous vote at 7:53 pm.

Raven Kuehl, City Clerk