

October 02, 2024

The regular meeting of the City of Bertram was held on the above date at 7:01 pm at City Hall. Mayor Pro Temp Jim Unzeitig presided over the meeting. Council members present were Louise Hall, John Klimek, Bill Mulholland and Chris Price. City Attorney Kevin Shea and Mayor Scott Flaherty were absent.

Hall made a motion to approve the agenda as posted. MSB: Price Aye: Hall, Mulholland, Klimek, Price. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

- Sheriff's Report – 18 Calls hours met.
- Prior Meeting Minutes: September 4, 2024.
- Bills/Warrants for Payment.
- Nuisance Property update.
- Treasurer's Report.

Payee	Purpose	Amount
Alliant Energy	High Point	\$19.07
Alliant Energy	City Well	\$159.88
Alliant Energy	City Hall	\$54.43
Alliant Energy	City Park	\$19.23
Alliant Energy	Streetlights	\$519.26
Casey Business Mastercard	Fuel	\$251.96
Dataweb Dynamics, INC	Website Hosting Fees	\$400.00
Jared J. Vogeler	Operations	\$480.00
Keystone Labs	Annual Water Testing	\$17.50
Orkin	Pest Control	\$52.00
Solutions Works	Cloud Server and backup September	\$200.00
Verizon Wireless	Internet/Phone	\$88.06
Visa-Berry	Payroll Services, Quarry for Roads	\$727.86
IPERS	Payroll IPERS	\$379.95
IA DEPT OF REVENUE	State Income Taxes	\$35.88
United States Treasury	Federal Income Taxes	\$1,529.08
Lisa Berry	Payroll	\$296.27
Raven Kuehl	Payroll	\$251.64
Schmitt, Tom	Payroll	\$320.57
Vislisel, Anthony	Payroll	\$163.34
Vislisel, Stephanie	Payroll	\$47.33
Vislisel, Zach	Payroll	\$227.34
Total Bills		\$6,240.65

	Beg fund Balan	Deposits	Disbursements	End Fund	Total Fund Balances
General	\$676,784.17	\$9,645.43	\$7,782.14	\$678,647.46	\$678,647.46
Road Use Tax	\$212,807.88	\$4,273.40	\$0.00	\$217,081.28	\$217,081.28
LOST	\$262,798.23	\$3,321.05	\$0.00	\$266,119.28	\$266,119.28
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	\$20,312.80	\$3,742.37	\$594.61	\$23,460.56	\$23,460.56
Deposits	\$700.00			\$700.00	\$700.00
Total	\$1,240,076.96	\$20,982.25	\$8,376.75	\$1,252,682.46	\$1,252,682.46

- ECICOG Planning and Zoning Proposal- Council Member Price stated that the planning and zoning has not been updated since 2004, attempted to update in 2020, but was not completed. City Attorney Shea is not able to do this at this time due to multiple large cases. Planning and Zoning will be unable to approve permits and will have to send almost everything to the Board of Adjustments, also needs to be updated for Fringe agreements.
 - Hall makes a motion to approve contingent on City Attorney Shea approving due to purchasing policy. MSB: Klimek. AYE: Hall, Klimek, Mulholland, Price. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- 1300 Skylark-P and Z update: Robert Hebler wants to put a carport. P and Z is recommending denial due to violation of zoning setbacks.
 - Price Makes a motion to deny based on current zoning codes. MSB: Klimek. AYE: Hall, Klimek, Mulholland, Price. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Ashley Tree Service bids: Nothing to discuss.
- Skyline Drive Tree Service Bids:
 - That Girl Tree Service: \$2,050 for 2 trees won't touch the 3rd tree.
 - Franks Tree Service: \$3,500 for all 3 trees and haul away.
 - D&D Tree Service: \$3,800 for all 3 trees.
 - Price makes a motion to approve Franks Tree Service to remove trees. MSB: Klimek. AYE: Hall, Klimek, Mulholland, Price. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- 1850 Woodland Court-Planning and Zoning Approval: Smejkal requesting approval for new dwelling well over minimum square footage and setback is correct. Is also in zone r1, which does have 2 acres minimum but using opinion of city attorney using should not in ordinance. P and Z is recommending approving with stipulations that 3 trees are removed per recommendation of Certified Arborist That Girl Tree Service.
 - Mulholland makes to accept with trees. MSB: Hall. AYE: Hall, Klimek, Mulholland, Price.
- Hiring Committee for new Bertram Treasurer: Tables to next meeting.
- Snow Plowing update: Big Red requires a CDL and currently no one has one. Blue Truck does not.
- Correspondence:
 - Hall: Tree on Ely and Bertram Street was approved for Franks Tree Service to remove but Franks cannot due to powerline and Alliant will not take down. Louise is looking into different bids.
 - Price: Doug Kula is on Board of Adjustments and term ends October 4, 2024, need to see if he wants to continue or find someone else.
 - Price: Needs someone else on P and Z to have a full board.
 - Price: Needs to make a decision at next council meeting if closing the bridge again for winter do to the weight limit and safety.
- Open to public:
 - Penny Kula: Would like the council to add resealing all roads and paint lines in the 2026 Budget.

- Price Makes motion to adjourn. MSB: Hall. Aye: Hall, Mulholland, Klimek, Price. The motion passed by unanimous vote at 8:12 pm.

Raven Kuehl, City Clerk