

**March 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, David Hunt, Robert Malone, Nancy McBurney, and Chris Price.

The Linn County Sheriff was present and provided the monthly report: 41.6 hours and 7 calls for service.

Hunt made motion to approve the minutes from the Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> meeting, MSB Price. None opposed, motion carried.

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

Warrant No	Payee	Purpose	Amount
165	Alliant Energy	City Hall Electricity	55.96
166	Alliant Energy	Street Lights	491.40
167	Alliant Energy	City Park Electricity	21.39
168	Alliant Energy	High Point Park Electricity	20.65
169	Verizon Wireless	Phone/Internet	90.34
170	Mount Vernon-Lisbon Sun	Publication Fees	318.75
171	IPERS	Payroll Benefits	219.43
172	Jason Houghtaling	Payroll for Feb	768.14
173	Sheldon King	Payroll for Feb	201.38
174	Douglas Kula	Payroll for Feb	182.02
175	Anthony Vislisel	Payroll for Feb	170.40
176	Lisa Berry	Payroll Jan-Mar	903.62
177	Martin Marietta	Sand for snow removal	287.55
178	Sharon K Gonzalez, Linn County Treasurer	Prop tax for 33 Ely St	328.00
179	William Mulholland	Payroll Dec-Mar	369.40
180	Steven Carpenter	Payroll Dec-Mar	184.70
181	David Hunt	Payroll Dec-Mar	184.52
182	Robert Malone	Payroll Dec-Mar	138.52
183	Nancy McBurney	Payroll Dec-Mar	184.70
184	Christopher Price	Payroll Dec-Mar	184.70
185	VISA	Fuel for trucks	136.00
186	Casey's General Stores, Inc	Fuel for trucks	333.08
		<b>Total Bills for Operating Account</b>	<b>5,774.65</b>
W036	Alliant Energy	City Well Electricity	234.78
W037	Jared Vogeler	Operations for Feb	300.00
W038	Keystone Laboratories, Inc	Water Testing Feb	12.50
W039	Jason Houghtaling	Payroll for Feb	9.00
		<b>Total Bills for Water Account</b>	<b>556.28</b>
		<b>Total Bills for March</b>	<b>6,330.93</b>

McBurney made motion to approve the Treasurer's Reports for the months ended Jan 31 and Feb 28, 2019. MSB Hunt. None opposed, motion carried.

Jan. 31, 2019	Beg Fund Balance	Deposits	Disbursements	End Fund Balance	Investments	Total Fund Balance
General	502,793.90	1,019.05	8,540.73	495,272.22	192,031.74	687,303.96
Road Use Tax	83,883.42	3,207.75	117.00	86,974.17		86,974.17
LOST	67,765.07	2,999.55	0.00	70,764.62		70,764.62
Building Fund	16,998.22	0.00	50.00	16,948.22		16,948.22
Capital Projects	(391,513.61)	0.00	0.00	(391,513.61)		(391,513.61)
Water	13,810.95	322.70	717.78	13,415.87		13,415.87
<b>Total Clerk's Balance</b>	<b>293,737.95</b>	<b>7,549.05</b>	<b>9,425.51</b>	<b>291,861.49</b>	<b>192,031.74</b>	<b>483,893.23</b>
Total Outstanding				95.00		
<b>Total Bank Balance</b>				<b>291,956.49</b>		

Feb. 28, 2019	Beg Fund Balance	Deposits	Disbursements	End Fund Balance	Investments	Total Fund Balance
General	495,272.22	456.27	6,945.84	488,785.65	192,586.10	681,371.75
Road Use Tax	86,974.17	3,178.87	1,633.52	88,519.52		88,519.52
LOST	70,764.62	2,816.63	0.00	73,581.25		73,581.25
Building Fund	16,948.22	0.00	0.00	16,998.22		16,998.22
Capital Projects	(391,513.61)	0.00	0.00	(391,513.61)		(391,513.61)
Water	13,415.87	0.00	496.25	12,919.62		12,919.62
<b>Total Clerk's Balance</b>	<b>291,861.49</b>	<b>6,451.77</b>	<b>9,072.61</b>	<b>289,240.65</b>	<b>192,586.10</b>	<b>481,826.75</b>
Total Outstanding				168.81		
<b>Total Bank Balance</b>				<b>289,409.46</b>		

Insurance policy quote from Selective Insurance quote through The Accel Group is \$14,431.00 for the coming year. Equivalent quote from Iowa Municipal Insurers through Neighbors Insurance is \$8,845.00, and EMC through Neighbors is \$8,836.00. Hunt made motion to accept the EMC quote through Neighbors Insurance with an effective date of Mar. 1, 2019. MSB Malone. None opposed, motion carried.

Price made motion to close the regular meeting and open a public hearing to discuss the City's first amendment to the budget for FY2018-19 as published in the February 21 edition of the Mt Vernon-Lisbon Sun. MSB Carpenter. None opposed, public hearing opened at 7:37pm. No comments from public. Hunt made motion to close the public hearing, MSB Carpenter. None opposed, public hearing closed at 7:39pm.

Hunt made motion to approve the amended budget for FY2018-19 as published in the February 21 edition of the Mt Vernon-Lisbon Sun. MSB McBurney. Roll call: Price-Aye; Hunt-Aye; McBurney-Aye; Carpenter-Aya; Malone-Aye. **Resolution R-2-2019** was passed to approve the FY2018-19 amended budget.

Hunt made motion to close the regular meeting and open a public hearing to discuss the City's budget for FY2019-20 as published in the February 21 edition of the Mt Vernon-Lisbon Sun. MSB McBurney. None opposed, public hearing opened at 7:41pm. Discussion of recent notification from Alliant Energy rate increases and Lower Cedar WMA contribution. No comments from public. Carpenter made motion to close the public hearing. MSB McBurney. Public hearing closed at 7:46pm.

Hunt made motion to approve the budget for FY2019-20 as published in the February 21 edition of the Mt Vernon-Lisbon Sun. MSB Carpenter. None opposed, motion carried. Roll call: Price-Aye; Hunt-Aye; McBurney-Aye; Carpenter-Aya; Malone-Aye. **Resolution R-3-2019** was passed to approve the FY2019-20 budget.

Feral cat issue was discussed. Property owners need to stop feeding the feral cats and comply with City's animal ordinance. The trap/neuter/return process appears to be the most viable option to deal with the issue. Mayor wants to allocate \$500 toward spaying/neutering, but Council is not willing to do so at this time.

Workshop date is set for March 13, 2019 at 5:30pm to discuss some open questions for the codification process.

McBurney made motion to accept proposal for a goal-setting session with Patrick Callahan for \$950.00. MSB Carpenter. None opposed, motion carried. Session to occur in the spring, exact date/time to be determined.

FEMA reps will be coming to Bertram to finalize our open reimbursement request. Malone would like additional representation from the council.

Linn County EMA is willing to help facilitate communication with State EMA regarding additional reimbursement money for the Ely Street bridge.

Discussed the tree sapling program from the State Forest Nursery.

If anyone is interested in participating in a citywide garage sale, they are encouraged to contact Nancy McBurney.

Property at 1266 Bertram Street will be coming up for auction. Neighbors are concerned if new owners come in bringing livestock. City will need to ensure they are made aware of the animal ordinance.

In the next few weeks, Clerk will be sent a questionnaire from Lower Cedar WMA for a wish list of water mitigation projects for future grant funding opportunities. Deadline to submit to Lower Cedar WMA will be 4/15/19 – will need to finalize the wish list at April meeting.

McBurney made motion to adjourn. MSB Carpenter. None opposed, meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM.

**Lisa Berry**  
Clerk