

**CITY OF PRAIRIE CITY
MINUTES
MAY 9, 2018**

The City Council of the City of Prairie City, Jasper County, Iowa, met on May 9, 2018, at City Hall in regular session at 6:30 P.M. Mayor Chad D. Alleger called the meeting to order and asked everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll was called showing members present and absent as follows: Present: Mayor Alleger; Councilors: Beiner, Kuecker, Lee, Lindsay and Taylor. Also in attendance: City Clerk Kane.

Agenda Approval: Councilor Kuecker moved to approve the agenda as stated, and Councilor Beiner seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda:

Approval of Council, Board and Commissions Minutes: April 11, 2018; Regular Council Meeting Minutes; April 17, 2018; Library Board Meeting Minutes; March 28, 2018; Park Board Minutes; March 26, 2018; Hometown Pride Minutes; March 13, 2018; EDC Minutes; and Department Reports: Police Report April 2018; Fire Report April 2018; EMS Report April 2018; Public Works April 2018; Building Permit Reports; March 2018 Financial Report.

Councilor Lindsay moved to approve, and Councilor Kuecker seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Petitions and Communications: None

Introduction and Adoption of Ordinances, Resolution, Public Hearings:

Resolution 05-9-2018 #2 Mayor Alleger addressed Council setting the date for the next Council meeting on June 13, 2018, at 6:30 P.M. Councilor Kuecker moved to approve, and Councilor Beiner seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 05-9-2018 #3 Mayor Alleger addressed Council setting the date for FY 2017-18 Budget Amendment Public Hearing on May 23, 2018, at 12:00 P.M at City Hall. Councilor Beiner moved to approve, and Councilor Kuecker seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 356: 2018 Water Rates (2nd Reading) Increase of 2% effective July 1, 2018. Councilor Lee opposed the increase. After discussion, Councilor Taylor moved to approve, and Councilor Kuecker seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion was approved 4 yes and 1 no (Lee).

Ordinance 357: 2018 Sewer Rates (2nd Reading) Increase of 3% effective July 1, 2018. Councilor Kuecker moved to approve, and Councilor Lindsay seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion was approved 4 yes and 1 no (Lee).

Ordinance 358: 2018 Solid Waste Rates (2nd Reading) Increase of 3.5% effective July 1, 2018. Councilor Beiner moved to approve, and Councilor Lindsay seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion was approved 4 yes and 1 no (Lee).

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Ordinance 359: 2018 Amending Fireworks Ordinance Dates and Times of Use (2nd Reading). Dates approved July 1 through July 8, 2018. Councilor Beiner moved to approve, and Councilor Lindsay seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion was approved unanimously. Councilor Beiner moved to waive the 3rd Reading, Councilor Kuecker seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Old Business:

Prairie City EMS Prairie Pig Out Smoker Competition: EMS representative Kelli Clymer addressed Council regarding the Prairie Pig Out Smoker Competition on June 8 and 9, 2018. Clymer requested that Marshall, Main and Washington Streets be closed on June 9th from 11:00 A.M. Through 9:00 P.M. The group is planning for up to 23 vendors at the event, and requested use of the City speaker system. Councilor Taylor moved to approve, and Councilor Kuecker seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

City Manager/Chief of Police Bartello presented Council with quotes on Architect services for a City Wide Study. After discussion, Council tabled the City Wide Study. Council gave direction to move forward with repairing the roof on the current Clothing Closet building and repairing on the Public Works shop.

City Manager/Chief of Police Bartello arrived at 6:45 P.M.

Public Comments:

Don Williams addressed Council regarding a commercial building permit that was denied twice. V& K the City's current building inspector, denied Williams commercial permit for not having engineer or architect building plans submitted with the permit application, required by City code. City Manager/Chief of Police Bartello recommended Williams appeal the requirement at the Monday, May 14th Planning and Zoning Commission meeting.

New Business:

Steve Wilkie owner of Wilkie's Garage submitted an application for a six-month event license. The license would cover summer events, PC EMS Prairie Pork Out and Prairie Days. Councilor Kuecker moved to approve the license, and Councilor Lindsay seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Sue Ponder updated Council on the PCBA programmable City informational sign. Ponder stated she received quotes from various companies and have narrowed their model to a 5-foot full color sign. The Economic Development Committee has approved \$10,000 towards the sign. No action was taken.

City Manager/Chief of Police Bartello informed Council City Building Inspector, Jason Van Ausdell, with V & K submitted his 30-day resignation notice. Bartello has reached out to several companies for additional inspection services along with the Jasper County inspector. Councilor Taylor moved to approved sending out a Request for Proposal for building inspection services with

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a deadline of May 25, 2018. Councilor Kuecker seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

City Manager/Chief of Police Bartello provided Council with a list of Public Works equipment requiring servicing. Councilor Beiner moved to approve servicing not to exceed \$4100.00, Councilor Lindsay seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

City Manager/Chief of Police Bartello provided Council with an estimate \$11500.00 from Frontline for weed spraying services at Waveland Cemetery, Garden Square and City Hall. Councilor Kuecker approved to approve, Councilor Lindsay seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

City Manager/Chief of Police Bartello asked Council to approve the use of budgeted funds for water meters. Public Works employee, Carl Van Der Kamp, stated that 77 of the current water meters are manual reads. Bartello said that with the budgeted funds meters will be updated both this spring and again in late summer. Councilor Kuecker approved to approve, Councilor Lindsay seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

City Manager/Chief of Police Bartello updated Council on Public Works. The three part-time mowers are working. Council has received seven applications for the open Public Works position. Bartello obtained bids on outsourcing lawn care, with the lowest bid at \$66,000 annually. No action.

City Manager/Chief of Police Bartello requested a refund of \$702.72 for incorrect garbage container billing to Dan and Marilyn Stravers. Stravers account was billed for four containers instead of two. Councilor Lindsay moved to approve, Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

With no further business to discuss, Councilor Kuecker moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 P.M. Councilor Beiner seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion carried unanimously.

Chad D. Alleger
Mayor

ATTESTED TO:

Cindy Kane
City Clerk