

The Mayor and Council of the City of Fairbury met in the Council Chambers located at 612 D Street, Fairbury, Nebraska, on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August 2020, at 7:30 PM. Mayor Ward called the meeting to order.

Notice of meeting was given in advance thereof, and the Open Meetings Act was posted in the meeting room and pointed out by Mayor Ward as required by law.

Roll call found the following Council Members present- Doug Brown, Tim Polson, Phil Rogge, Brian Schmidt, Rick Carmichael, Ed Friesen, Kelly Davis, and Roger Bailey. Absent: None

Mayor Ward called for the submittal of forms to request future agenda items. No forms were submitted during the meeting.

Mayor Ward read the Consent Agenda:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 4, 2020
2. Approval of Claims \$83,504.98

Schmidt moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 4, 2020 and \$83,504.98 in claims. Motion was seconded by Friesen. On roll call vote: Polson, Carmichael, Brown, Friesen, Bailey, Rogge Davis, and Schmidt voting “yes.” Motion carried.

Next item of business: **Public Hearings/Presentations**-NONE

Mayor Ward introduced the first item of current business, “Consider placement of the Fairbury Jeff Man on the water tower.” Renn explained that at the August 4, 2020 project meeting the visibility of 9ft Jeff Man on the West side of the tower may be limited and placement should be reconsidered. Rogge questioned the usage of the tower as a guide point for pilots. Schmidt expressed interest in placement on the North side with viewing upon entrance into town versus as you are leaving. Davis asked Renn the if there was a possibility of having a Jeff Man placed on both sides. If we could get a discounted rate for the second Jeff Man, he may have a donor that would cover the additional cost. The next project meeting is scheduled for September 1, 2020. With no further questions Davis moved to approve the location of the Jeff Man on the North side of the water tower upon a single logo and one logo on each the South and North sides if 2 logos were able to be secured with the second at a discounted rate. Motion was seconded by Friesen. On a roll call vote: Polson, Carmichael, Brown, Friesen, Bailey, Rogge Davis, and Schmidt voting “yes.” Motion carried.

Mayor Ward introduced the next item of current business, “Consider the Fairbury Airport Authority’s tax request of \$39,700 for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.” Council discussed with the impact of COVID-19, the City is not expecting the revenue that it had in the prior years. Sandy Decker with the airport authority was present to answer any questions. With no further questions, Rogge moved to hold with last year’s request of \$37,800.00. Motion was seconded by Friesen. On roll call vote: Polson, Carmichael, Brown, Friesen, Bailey, Rogge Davis, and Schmidt voting “yes.” Motion Carried.

Mayor Ward introduced the next item of current business, “Consideration and action on agreement between the City of Fairbury and Miller and Associates, to perform planning services for the Downtown Revitalization (DTR) Planning Project (CDGB Funded) and for the Mayor to sign all documents.” The Historic Preservation Committee reviewed several RFQ’s and proposed Miller and Associates to perform services for the DTR. Council agreed and entered into agreement between the City of Fairbury and Miller and Associates on July 21, 2020. As part of the \$53,000 grant received, a motion is needed to approve the agreement between the City and Miller for a lump sum fee of \$43,250 to perform planning services for DTR Planning Project (CDBG Funded). With no further questions, Bailey moved to approve the agreement between the City of Fairbury and Miller & Associates for a lump sum fee of \$43,250 to perform planning services for DTR Planning Project (CDBG Funded). Motion was seconded by Schmidt. On roll call vote: Polson, Carmichael, Brown, Friesen, Bailey, Rogge Davis, and Schmidt voting “yes.” Motion Carried.

Mayor Ward then introduced the next item of current business, "Review customer account 16-275-23704 for city services performed."

Mayor Ward called for a motion to enter executive session to protect the public interest personal reputation of employees. The mayor asked for all to leave while retaining: Council, City Clerk, City Administrator, and City Attorney.

Brown moved to enter executive session @ 7:39PM to protect public interest and personal reputation of employees. Motion was seconded by Schmidt. On roll call vote: Polson, Carmichael, Brown, Friesen, Bailey, Rogge Davis, and Schmidt voting "yes." Motion Carried.

Friesen motioned to end executive session and enter regular session @8:17PM, seconded by Carmichael. On roll call vote: Polson, Carmichael, Brown, Friesen, Bailey, Rogge Davis, and Schmidt voting "yes." Motion Carried.

No decision made.

Customer should be responsible for services rendered. The new work order process was on the agenda and determined effective June 30, 2020 by the Board of Public Works. The option for the customer is to pay for the overbuild or have the City remove the pad mounted transformer and install a pot on the pole which would provide ample service. The customer would then be responsible for the difference in cost of the original work order minus the pad mounted transformer (\$3150). Total due would be \$4858.66. With no further questions, Brown motioned to have the customer be held responsible for the difference in cost of the original work order minus the pad mounted transformer(\$3150) having a balance due of \$4858.66 or if the customer would like to keep the project as is they would need to pay the entirety of the work order of \$8008.66. Motion was seconded by Schmidt. On roll call vote: Polson, Carmichael, Brown, Friesen, Bailey, Rogge Davis, and Schmidt voting "yes." Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES: NONE**

**Reports:** City Administrator- City Administrator Renn informed Council that 240 electric meters had been sold to the City of Grant while 80 were sold to Endicott. All inventory has been depleted.

Mayor Ward then entertained a motion to adjourn. Schmidt moved to adjourn. Motion seconded by Friesen. On roll call vote: Brown, Carmichael, Polson, Rogge, Schmidt, Davis, Friesen, and Bailey voting "yes." Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

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Homer L. Ward, Mayor

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Erin Reimer, City Clerk

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