

**City Council Meeting
January 6, 2021**

A regular meeting of the Fonda City Council was held January 6, 2021 at 5:30 pm. In order to help stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus, this regular meeting of the Fonda City Council was held electronically. Chapter 21.8 of the Iowa Code does permit an electronic meeting where all members participate remotely when an in-person meeting is impossible or impractical, which is certainly true during this crisis. On March 19, 2020, Governor Reynolds issued a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency which included a suspension of Iowa laws that would prevent the use of electronic meetings or the limitation on the number of people present at an in-person meeting site. Therefore, City Clerk Angela Duitsman was present at Fonda city hall at 104 West 2nd Street, Fonda, IA. The agenda had this message posted more than 24 hours in advance to give instructions on how others could participate in the meeting: **Note: council members will be utilizing Zoom.com to attend the meeting remotely. Public can listen to the meeting discussions on their own computer via Zoom.com: Meeting ID: 814-140-1452 ; Password: 404758**

Those present Via Zoom were Mayor Don Wolf presiding and the following council members answered to roll call: Tim Hess, Greg Stauter, John Wells, Nate Greenfield and Logan Nehman. Staff/Board present: Public Works Director – Randy Andreasen – Public Works. Erin Sommers – Reporter, Pocahontas Record-Democrat. A twenty-four-hour notice of the meeting was posted.

Hess/Stauter motion to approve the **Agenda**. Greenfield/Wells motion to approve the **Consent Agenda**. Consisting of December 2, 2020 regular meeting minutes and the following reports: Accounts Payable list of November claims, December Treasurer's Report, December Balance Sheet and December Delinquent Accounts Reports.

Public Hearing: Mayor Wolf opened the Public Hearing at 5:37 pm to consider the Electric Rate change to discontinue using winter/summer rates. Mayor Wolf asked if there were any comments or concerns regarding the proposed budget, written or oral. Mayor Wolf asked if there were any other questions, there being none; the Mayor declared the public hearing closed at 5:38 pm.

New Business

Annual Audit report – Aaron Olsen – reviewed the audit report. Approved on a motion by Councilmember Wells and Seconded by Councilmember Greenfield to accept the audit report. Roll call vote: Ayes: Hess, Wells, Stauter, Greenfield and Nehman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Annual Financial Report – reviewed the Annual Financial Report - Approved on a motion by Councilmember Hess and Seconded by Councilmember Nehman to accept the annual financial report. Roll call vote: Ayes: Hess, Wells, Stauter, Greenfield and Nehman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION 2021-02 – CITY OF FONDA DEPOSITORY RESOLUTION – Resolution approved on a motion by Councilmember Nehman and Seconded by Councilmember Wells. Roll call vote: Ayes: Hess, Wells, Stauter, Greenfield and Nehman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Acceptance of Police Chief Alex Leu Resignation - Approved on a motion by Councilmember Hess and Seconded by Councilmember Stauter to accept Police Chief Alex Leu's Resignation. Roll call vote: Ayes: Hess, Wells, Stauter and Greenfield. Nays: Nehman. Motion Carried.

Vacation Pay / Longevity Pay – Alex Leu - Approved on a motion by Councilmember Nehman and Seconded by Councilmember Wells to pay Chief Leu 32 days of vacation and Longevity payment. Roll call vote: Ayes: Hess, Wells, Stauter, Greenfield and Nehman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Comp Day Reimbursement – Alex Leu - Approved on a motion by Councilmember Wells and Seconded by Councilmember Nehman to pay 90 days of comp time to Chief Leu. Roll call vote: Ayes: Hess, Wells, Stauter and Nehman. Nays: Greenfield. Motion Carried.

Angela Duitsman – Vacation Payback - Approved on a motion by Councilmember Wells and Seconded by Councilmember Greenfield to allow adjustment to this year's vacation balance to decrease by 3 days to pay back additional days from 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes: Hess, Wells, Stauter, Greenfield and Nehman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Fonda Ambulance – Sandy Wells – read a letter to Mayor and Council from Fonda Ambulance Crew.

Jorge Nevarez – 207 Main Street – Concerns in reference to building at 205 Main Street – Tabled as Jorge was not on Zoom call.

Nextlink Contract – Access and Lease Agreement - Approved Lease agreement on a motion by Councilmember Greenfield and Seconded by Councilmember Nehman. Roll call vote: Ayes: Hess, Wells, Stauter, Greenfield and Nehman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Harvey’s Five Star roofing – Final Pay request - Approved final pay request on a motion by Councilmember Wells and Seconded by Councilmember Hess. Roll call vote: Ayes: Hess, Wells, Stauter, Greenfield and Nehman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors – Board Appointment to Pathfinders Strategic Partner – (Mid-Iowa Development Association-MIDAS Council of Governments) – Angela Duitsman - Approved Board Appointment on a motion by Councilmember Wells and Seconded by Councilmember Nehman. Roll call vote: Ayes: Hess, Wells, Stauter, Greenfield and Nehman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

3rd & Final Reading of ORDINANCE NO. 693-2020 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FONDA, IOWA, BY ADDING CHAPTER 100 ESTABLISHING A STORM WATER DRAINAGE UTILITY AND IMPOSING CHARGES - Councilmember Hess moved to pass on third and final consideration of Ordinance 693–2020. Motion seconded by Councilmember Stauter. On roll call the vote was Ayes: Hess, Wells, Stauter, Greenfield and Nehman. Nays: None. Motion Carried. Ordinance 693-2020 was declared adopted, signed by the Mayor and hereby made a portion of these minutes and is available for review at the Fonda City Hall.

1ST Reading of ORDINANCE NO. 694-2021 – AN ORDINANCE TO MODIFY THE ELECTRIC RATES FOR THE CITY OF FONDA TO DISCONTINUE USING WINTER/ SUMMER RATES - Approved on a motion by Councilmember Stauter and Seconded by Councilmember Nehman. Roll call vote: Ayes: Hess, Wells, Stauter, Greenfield and Nehman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION 2021-01 - A RESOLUTION SETTING THE SALARIES FOR THE FOLLOWING EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF FONDA, IOWA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022 - Approved on a motion by Councilmember Greenfield and Seconded by Councilmember Wells. Roll call vote: Ayes: Hess, Wells, Stauter, Greenfield and Nehman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-03 - RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATE FOR THE CITY EMPLOYEES TO COMPLY WITH THE FEDERAL RATE - Approved on a motion by Councilmember Wells and Seconded by Councilmember Greenfield. Roll call vote: Ayes: Hess, Wells, Stauter, Greenfield and Nehman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Hometown Pride Foundation Grant – Hometown Pride President Alex Leu announced they have received the Pocahontas County Foundation Grant for Veteran Flag Memorial in Central Park in the amount of \$3,476.00.

Setup Budget Workshop – January 13 at Fonda Fire Station 6:00 pm – Mask required.

Council member committee reports

Public Works Director – Monthly update

Police Department – Monthly update

Adjournment at 7:00 pm – Motion by Councilmember Wells and Seconded by Councilmember Stauter. The following members voting aye: Nehman, Hess, Wells, Greenfield and Stauter. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

CLAIMS REPORT NOVEMBER 1, 2020 TO NOVEMBER 30, 2020

AFLAC	INSURANCE	\$230.08
AG PARTNERS	STRIKE 3 - CHEMICAL	\$200.00
AG SOURCE	WATER TEST	\$505.75
AIRGAS	OXYGEN	\$383.08
AMERICAN TEST CENTER	BOOM TRUCK INSPECTION	\$425.00
ANGELA DUITSMAN	MILEAGE	\$177.07
AT&T	CELL PHONES	\$407.48
BASE	HRA MONTHLY - DEC 2020	\$30.00
BLACK HILLS	NATURAL GAS	\$170.56
BOMGAARS	SUPPLIES	\$74.95
BOOK LOOK	LIBRARY	\$773.53
BORDER STATES ELECTRIC	10 STREET LIGHTS	\$1,786.23
BV COUNTY JOURNAL	PUBLISHING	\$176.02
CANNON FINANCIAL SERVICES	CONTRACT NO#001-0734821-001	\$110.13
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	CREDIT CARD CHARGES	\$2,229.03
CARROLL COUNTY SOLID WASE	LANDFILL	\$1,074.64
CASEY'S BUSINESS ACCOUNT	FUEL	\$531.10
CENTRAL IOWA DIST	SUPPLIES	\$54.00
CHASE CARD SERVICES	LIBRARY	\$372.63
CITY OF FONDA	STREET LIGHTS	\$1,471.30
DATA FINANCIAL SYSTEMS	HRA - 17557	\$83.47
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY	WHOLESALE ELEC	\$2,345.19
DOOLITTLE OIL CO, INC.	55 GAL BARREL	\$468.31
ECONO SIGNS LLC	SIGNS POOL	\$189.94
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$5,379.49
ELECTRIC PUMP	SEWER GRINDER	\$3,507.35
FELD FIRE	FIRE DEPT	\$580.74
FIRST COMMUNITY BANK	ACH FEES - NOV 20	\$22.75
FONDA PUBLIC LIBRARY	LIBRARY	\$26.40
FRANCK, SEXTRO & BLAZEK	LEGAL FEES	\$52.50
GORDON FLESCH COMPANY	COPIER CLICKS 10/28-11/27/20	\$114.00
GWORKS	SOFTWARE FEES	\$3,587.51
HACH COMPANY	CHEMICALS - WATER	\$516.58
HAWKINS	CHEMICALS	\$1,106.30
HOFFMAN'S INC.	BARB NIELAND	\$53.50
I & S GROUP, INC	CONSTRUCTION ADMIN / WATER PLANT	\$1,734.29
IA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC	IOWA SYSTEM ACCESS 3RD QTR	\$300.00
IA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	SALES TAX	\$1,488.00
IOWA AUTOMOTIVE	GARBAGE TRUCK	\$565.93
IOWA ONE CALL	ONE CALL FEES	\$6.30
IOWA RURAL WATER ASSOC	DUES 01/01/21 - 12/31/21	\$245.21
IOWA WORKFORCE DEV	STATE UNEMPLOYMENT TAX	\$132.76
IPERS	IPERS	\$3,667.30
JERRY MENKE	SUPPLIES	\$61.11
LINDA MERCER	MILEAGE	\$38.28
MEAN	PURC POWER - SEPT 2020	\$25,463.49
MIDWEST RADAR & EQUIPMENT	POLICE RADAR	\$120.00
PCC	AMB BILLING FEES	\$508.31
PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP	LIFE INS/DISABILITY INS	\$168.72
STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	6011 1000 7655 855	\$146.32

US POST OFFICE	UTILITY BILLS - NOV 2020	\$214.30
USA BLUE BOOK	SEWER/WATER SUPPLIES	\$504.18
VAN WALL EQUIPMENT	CHAIN SAW CHAIN	\$34.63
WELLMARK	GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE COSTS	\$14,435.71
WESSELS OIL CO INC	DIESEL FUEL	\$1,122.97
WINDSTREAM	PHONE	\$414.35
WT COX INFORMATION SRVCS	LIBRARY	\$400.44
PAYROLL CHECKS	TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS	\$18,404.50
	CLAIMS TOTAL	\$99,393.71
	EXP BY FUND	
	GENERAL FUND FUND	\$24,826.39
	ROAD USE TAX FUND	\$4,537.15
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUND	\$9,929.67
	CAPITAL PROJECT FUND FUND	\$884.29
	WATER FUND	\$9,585.40
	SEWER FUND	\$8,662.43
	ELECTRIC FUND	\$34,240.87
	SOLID WASTE FUND	\$6,727.51
	FUND TOTAL	\$99,393.71