

**City Council Meeting
May 4, 2022**

The City Council of Fonda, Iowa met in regular session at Fonda City Hall in Fonda, Iowa at 104 West 2nd Street at 5:32 pm on May 4, 2022. Those present were Mayor Don Wolf presiding and the following council members answered to roll call: Tim Hess, Brian Larsen, Greg Stauter, John Wells and Cory Walker. Public Works – Randy Andreasen and Jerry Menke arrived Late. A twenty-four-hour notice of the meeting was posted. Wells/Larsen motion to approve the **Agenda**. Hess/Walker motion to approve the **Consent Agenda**. Consisting of April 6, 2022 regular meeting minutes as amended to include John Wells as Present on the 3rd and Final Reading Ordinance #697-2022 as he was listed as absent. Also including the following reports: Accounts Payable list of March claims, April Treasurer’s Report, April Balance Sheet and April Delinquent Accounts Reports. Building Permit – Dave Lorton – Fence. Liquor License – SWING23 LLC.

Public Hearing: Mayor Wolf opened the Public Hearing at 5:33 pm to consider the proposed fiscal year 2021-2022 budget amendment. 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 5:33 pm.

New Business

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-17 - RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY’S PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 BUDGET - Resolution approved on a motion by Councilmember Larsen and Seconded by Councilmember Wells. Roll call vote: Ayes: Wells, Stauter, Hess, Larsen and Walker. Nays: None. Motion Carried. Resolution #2022-17 was declared approved, signed by the Mayor and hereby made a portion of these minutes and is available at the Fonda City Hall for review.

Amber Monroe & Matt Daniel – Requesting permit to raise chickens - approved on a motion by Councilmember Walker and Seconded by Councilmember Wells to allow up to 10 fowl for a six-month trial and must be in a pin only in backyard. Neighbors must approve in writing. If multiple complaints are received in the six months City can have the fowl removed from City limits. No roosters. Roll call vote: Ayes: Wells, Walker, Larsen, Hess and Stauter. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Brittany Peter – Requesting permit to raise chickens - approved on a motion by Councilmember Wells and Seconded by Councilmember Larsen to allow up to 10 fowl for a six-month trial and must be in a pin only in backyard. Neighbors must approve in writing. If multiple complaints are received in the six months City can have the fowl removed from City limits. No roosters. Roll call vote: Ayes: Wells, Walker, Larsen, Hess and Stauter. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Resignation – Fonda Ambulance – Angela Duitsman has submitted her resignation to the Fonda Ambulance after 12 years of service. The Mayor and Council Thanked her for the years of service to the Ambulance.

EMS Essential Services – Appointment to EMS Advisory Board – The Council Appointed Angela Duitsman to the EMS Advisory Board for the County. Motion from Councilmember Larsen and seconded by Councilmember Walker. The following members voting aye: Hess, Larsen, Walker, Stauter and Wells. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Fonda Ambulance – Sandy Wells - Options for Future of Fonda EMS – Sandy reviewed with the Council the options for the Future of Fonda EMS and the difficult decision that the EMS Crew has decided to close as of November 1, 2022. There are multiple people retiring after many years of service and several people are not due to medical issues and unfortunately no new members have joined to cover the calls.

Library – Summer Library Aide - Motion from Councilmember Wells and seconded by Councilmember Larsen to hire Emily Mercer up to 8 hours per week as a Summer Library Aide. The following members voting aye: Hess, Larsen, Walker, Stauter and Wells. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Help Wanted – Mowing - Motion from Councilmember Hess and seconded by Councilmember Walker to hire Ella Larsen to mow as needed for the summer at \$13.50 per hour. The following members voting aye: Hess, Walker, Stauter and Wells. Abstain: Larsen due to being related. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Lease Agreement 215 & 217 Main Street - Motion from Councilmember Hess and seconded by Councilmember Wells to Renew Lease at 215 & 217 to Dennis & Melissa Deveraux. The following members voting aye: Hess, Larsen, Walker, Stauter and Wells. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

RAGBRAI – July 25, 2022 – Pre-Ride June 6th - Motion from Councilmember Larsen and seconded by Councilmember Wells to make purchases as approved by the RAGBRAI Committee. The following members voting aye: Hess, Larsen, Walker, Stauter and Wells. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Zach Mercer & Ty Tauber – NHS Project - Motion from Councilmember Walker and seconded by Councilmember Hess to approve NHS Projects for Zach Mercer and Ty Tauber. The following members voting aye: Hess, Larsen, Walker, Stauter and Wells. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Newell-Fonda Summer Food Program – Fonda Shelter House – approved Newell-Fonda Summer Food Program to use the shelter house as they have in the past at no charge.

RESOLUTION 2022-18 - A RESOLUTION SETTING THE SALARIES FOR THE FOLLOWING EMPLOYEES - OF THE CITY OF FONDA, IOWA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 - Motion from Councilmember Wells and seconded by Councilmember Stauter to approve \$1.95 for Full Time employees of Nieland, Duitsman, Andreasen and Menke. The following members voting aye: Stauter and Wells. Nay: Walker, Hess and Larsen. Motion Failed.

Motion from Councilmember Larsen and seconded by Councilmember Walker to approve 6.5 % increase for Full Time employees of Jerry Menke - \$1.95, Randy Andreasen - \$1.77, BJ Nieland - \$1.46 and Angela Duitsman - \$1.33. Sally Stumpf will increase \$.98 for cleaning and \$.50 for filling in at City Hall. Public Works filling in will be \$13.50. The following members voting aye: Walker, Larsen, Hess, Stauter and Wells. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION 2022-19 - A RESOLUTION SETTING SALARIES FOR EMPLOYEES - OF THE CITY OF FONDA – POOL - Motion from Councilmember Wells and seconded by Councilmember Larsen to approve Assistant Manager Kayla Wingert at \$11.00 per hour. The following members voting aye: Walker, Larsen, Hess, Stauter and Wells. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION 2022-20 - RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FONDA SWIMMING POOL - FEE SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022 - Family Pass - \$145 / Single \$95 we will no longer have resident and non-resident rates. Approved on a motion from Councilmember Stauter and seconded by Councilmember Wells. The following members voting aye: Hess, Larsen, Walker, Stauter and Wells. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

The Overland Group, LLC - Termination of Contract – Currently they have terminated the contract and will start the process again after the 1st of the year in reference to a possible Dollar General in Fonda.

Downtown Housing Grant Update – they received 94 Downtown Housing Grant applications with just shy of \$31 million in total grant ask. They had \$20 million available for the DHG which made this a competitive application process. Of that total grant ask the average grant ask per apartment (unit) was \$50,569.25. In order to keep grant applications competitive, they felt \$100,000.00 per unit max grant award helps level the playing field for applicants. This will also help get more projects completed, some that may be good projects but are on the bubble. Our current grant application was asking for \$300,000.00 or \$150,000.00 per unit. They asked if they property owner would be able and willing to do the project at a lesser grant amount but with the same scope of work? Essentially, are you able to do the project with a \$200,000.00 grant instead of \$300,000.00? This would make your application a lot more competitive. Unfortunately, due to the Historical nature of the building they didn't feel that they could do it for that amount and therefore the grant wasn't competitive and didn't get funded.

Property Discussion – 411 Linden Ave - Motion from Councilmember Larsen and seconded by Councilmember Stauter to remove the City assessment. The following members voting aye: Walker, Larsen, Hess, Stauter and Wells. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Hometown Pride – Build with Bags Grant – was awarded the Build with Bags Grant and school park will be getting three new picnic tables.

Tax Sale Certificates – 103 Franklin Street – no action taken

Tax Sale Certificates – 309 & 310 Howard Street – no action taken

Council member committee reports

Public Works – Monthly update

Adjournment at 7:15 pm

CLAIMS REPORT MARCH 1, 2022 TO MARCH 31, 2022

AG SOURCE	WATER TEST	\$508.00
AIRGAS	OXYGEN	\$366.96
ANGELA DUITSMAN	MILEAE	\$117.00
ANTHONY WADLE	FIREFIGHTING BOOKS X 3	\$278.37
AT&T	CELL PHONES	\$265.60
BANK OF THE WEST	CREDIT CARD CHARGES	\$2,542.83
BASE	HRA MONTHLY - APRIL 2022	\$30.00
BLACK HILLS	NATURAL GAS	\$1,440.67
BOOK LOOK	LIBRARY	\$822.38
BROWN SUPPLY	WATER SUPPLIES	\$210.00
BV COUNTY JOURNAL	PUBLISHING	\$285.29
CARROLL COUNTY SOLID WASE	GARBAGE	\$1,029.58
CASEY'S BUSINESS ACCOUNT	FUEL	\$381.97
CHRIS MERCER	LIBRARY	\$60.64
CITY OF FONDA	STREET LIGHTS	\$2,168.49
CSG FORTE PAYMENTS, INC.	ACH FEES - FEB 2022	\$8.50
DATA FINANCIAL SYSTEMS	HRA - MULTIPLE	\$523.30
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY	WHOLESALE ELEC	\$4,610.22
ECHO GROUP, INC.	AERIAL APRON/REPLACEMENT HOOK	\$215.86
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$4,452.34
FELD FIRE	JUMBO LOK	\$560.00
FOUNDATION ANALYTICAL LAB	WATER TEST	\$84.00
I & S GROUP, INC	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN	\$3,400.00
IA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	SALES TAX	\$4,136.00
INGRAM	LIBRARY	\$184.83
IOWA RURAL WATER ASSOC	VISION INSURANCE	\$22.43
IPERS	IPERS	\$3,127.07
IREAD	LIBRARY	\$88.70
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	RAGBRAI 2022 TOWN HALL MEETING	\$100.00
LINDA MERCER	MILEAGE	\$24.57
MEAN	PURC POWER	\$26,016.94
POCAHONTAS CO SHERIFF OFC	COUNTY POLICE COVERAGE FEB 22	\$5,000.00
PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP	LIFE INS/DISABILITY INS	\$221.39
RAY'S PLUMBING & HEATING	CONTRACT LABOR	\$214.00
REBNORD TECHNOLOGIES INC	ANTI-VIRUS/REMOTE MANAGEMENT	\$160.00
RENT-ALL INC	FIRESTATION-LIGHTS/FAN INSTALL	\$405.00
RON MCLAUGHLIN	471 TIRE REPAIR	\$25.00
SANDRA WELLS	MILEAGE APR-DEC 2021	\$358.92
T P ANERSON & COMPANY, PC	CONSULTING SERVICES	\$344.00
US POST OFFICE	FEB2022 UTILITY BILLS	\$266.60

WELLMARK	GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE COSTS	\$5,708.88
WESSELS OIL CO INC	DIESEL FUEL	\$2,386.29
WESTRUM LEAK DETECTION	MAIN LEAK - HOWARD ST	\$650.00
WINDSTREAM	PHONE	\$57.09
PAYROLL CHECKS	TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS	\$14,981.16
	CLAIMS TOTAL	\$88,840.87
	EXP BY FUND	
	GENERAL FUND FUND	\$22,918.37
	ROAD USE TAX FUND	\$4,338.76
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUND	\$2,677.41
	WATER FUND	\$8,968.05
	SEWER FUND	\$6,412.08
	ELECTRIC FUND	\$37,761.52
	SOLID WASTE FUND	\$5,764.68
	FUND TOTAL	\$88,840.87