

Ruthven City Council Meeting
February 8, 2023- 6:30 PM

The Ruthven City Council, of the City of Ruthven, Iowa, met on the 8th Day of February 2023, at 6:30 PM, in regular session, at the Ruthven Social Center, pursuant to law and to the rules of said council.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Dustin Johnson in the Chair, and the roll being called, the following members were present; Mitch Anderson, Marcie Simington, Casey Pomeroy and Terrance Williams Absent; Ashley Williamson

City employees present: Jessica Schneider, Dave Conlon, Toad Loder

Public: Steve Hallgren, Peg Cizek, Steve Cizek, Lenny Larson, Connie Reinert, Rick Adams

Motion Williams second Anderson to approve Minutes from January 25th, 2023, City Council Meeting, Claims Report and Clerk's Financial Reports. Vote: Ayes; Anderson, Simington, Pomeroy and Williams. Nays: None Williamson.

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearing open at 6:32 p.m. for the city of Ruthven Iowa's Proposed Property Tax Levy FY 23-24. No objectors were present or filed written objections to the City Clerk, so the public hearing was declared closed at 6:32p.m.

Motion Williams, Second Pomeroy to approve RESOLUTION 08-2023 – A Resolution Approving the Maximum Property Tax Dollars for Budget Year July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024. Vote – Ayes: Anderson, Pomeroy, Simington and Williams Nay: None. Absent: Williamson

Lenny Larson from ISG was present and gave an update on the wastewater and the well projects.

Motion Pomeroy, Second Williams to approve RESOLUTION 09-2023 – A Resolution setting the time and place for a public hearing on the 2023-2024 city budget and directing the publication of notice. Vote – Ayes: Anderson, Pomeroy, Simington and Williams Nay: None. Absent: Williamson

Council discussed the rate of the social center for citizens to rent and also for business's. Motion Williams Second Anderson to raise the rates to a flat rate of \$50.00 rental per day and a \$50 dollar refundable cleaning deposit to be effective starting June 1st 2023. Vote: Ayes; Anderson, Simington, Pomeroy and Williams. Nays: None Williamson.

Motion Simington, Second Williams to approve RESOLUTION 07-2023 – A Resolution of the city council of the City of Ruthven, Iowa to enter into an agreement with Planning Solutions, LLC for completion of Zoning Administration, Code Enforcement, and Nuisance abatement Services. Vote – Ayes: Anderson, Pomeroy, Simington and Williams Nay: None. Absent: Williamson

Motion Simington Second Williams to decline the renewal with the Palo Alto County Economic Development Corporation. Vote: Ayes; Anderson, Simington, Pomeroy and Williams. Nays: None Williamson.

Connie Reinert was present to talk about grant cycles going forward and the possibility of working with the city to come up with ideas that LIRBA can write grants for to bring funds into the community.

Steve Hallgren was present to discuss and update on the Ruthven zoning and code enforcement.

Motion Pomeroy Second Williams to adjourn meeting at 7:26 p.m. Vote: Ayes; Anderson, Simington, Pomeroy and Williams. Nays: None Absent. Williamson

SIGNED:

ATTEST:

Dustin Johnson, Mayor of Ruthven

Jessica Schneider, City Clerk

