

**Ruthven City Council Meeting**  
**August 7, 2019 - 6:30 PM**

The Ruthven City Council, of the City of Ruthven, Iowa, met on the 7<sup>th</sup> Day of August, 2019, at 6:30 PM, in regular session, in Council Chambers at City Hall, pursuant to law and to the rules of said council.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor David J Kirk in the Chair, and the roll being called, the following members were present: Mitch Anderson, Dustin Johnson, Jay Schoning, Marci Simington and Terrance Williams Absent: None

City employees present: Michael Loder and Margaret Tatman.

Public: Carmen Moser, Therese Geelan, Nancy Foertsch and Peg and Steve Cizek

Motion Schoning, second Anderson to approve: minutes from July 17, 2019 council meeting, summary list of claims and clerk's financial reports. Vote-Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

Palo Alto County Auditor, Carmen Moser, was present and shared information, to all in attendance, regarding the newly combined City and School Board Elections. She stated for city elections she is the filing officer so all documents need to be turned into her. Candidates can now start circulating nomination papers, but the first date to file those papers with her office is August 26, 2019 and last day of September 19, 2019. Candidates for Ruthven City Council or Mayor will need no less than 10 signatures for the nomination form. There will be Satellite Voting held in Ruthven on Tuesday-October 29, 2019 from Noon to 7:00 p.m. in the Ruthven Social Center. On Election Day, Tuesday-November 5, 2019 Ruthven residents that have not already voted by either absentee vote or during satellite voting will need to go to the Graettinger Public Library to cast their vote that day.

Motion Schoning, second Johnson to approve the revised Non-Exclusive Easement Agreement Between R/A Community School and the City of Ruthven. Vote-Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning and Simington. Nays: Williams. Absent: None

Mayor and City Council then reviewed the Amendment to Agreement of the LISSD and the City of Ruthven as per USDA-RD loan and grant requirements. Amended section of "ALLOCATION OF COSTS. The District is responsible for 19% of all costs of the Work and System, including but not limited to 19% of the Loan, 19% of all maintenance costs for the Improvement Project, and 19% of all costs of operating the System. . . ."[REMAINDER OF PROVISION #5 REMAINS AS SET FORTH IN THE AGREEMENT]. Motion Johnson, second Simington to approve the Amendment to Agreement of the LISSD and the City of Ruthven. Vote-Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

Toad Loder shared a handout with the council regarding a quote from Maguire Iron to paint the inside and outside of the water tower and maintenance agreement for a set price of \$274,111.00 with payments of \$54,822.00/year for 5 years. Jake with Maguire Iron will be attending the next city council agenda to go over the plan with the city council.

Motion Simington, second Anderson to approve Resolution No 35-2019 – A Resolution Establishing a Fee for NSF Checks and ACH Payments and Creating a Cash Payment Only Policy for Individuals Who Have Passed Two Returned Checks or ACH Payments to the City of Ruthven. Roll Call Vote-Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

Mayor Kirk has received complaints about "kids" riding bikes on business district sidewalks and doing tricks off the city benches on the sidewalks. Council reviewed current bicycle ordinance and decided wording in the ordinance covers these situations and from now on law enforcement can be called and the "kids" can be warned and no citations issued.

Motion Schoning, second Williams to approve reimbursement of up to 5 Parent Volunteers to complete lifeguard certification classes as they are willing to help fill in when the pool is short of lifeguards. This will begin next pool season in April or May 2020. Vote-Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

LIRBA is requesting that the city close Old Hwy 18 again this year for trunk-in-treating and also asking for grant ideas for LIRBA to apply for through PACGDC. Any ideas for grants let a LIRBA board member know.

The newest city seal design was gone over and some fine tuning to the design was decided. Clerk Tatman will have the designer make the changes and have another proof ready for the next meeting on August 21, 2019.

Motion William, second Johnson to approve Resolution No 04-2019/2 Amended – A Resolution Setting the Regular Council Meeting Date and Time for the Ruthven City Council. Roll Call Vote-Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

Motion Simington, second Johnson to adjourn meeting at 7:29 p.m. Vote- Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

Signed:

Attest:

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David J. Kirk, Mayor

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Margaret Tatman, City Clerk