

**Ruthven City Council Meeting
September 4, 2018 - 6:30 PM**

The Ruthven City Council, of the City of Ruthven, Iowa, met on the 4th Day of September, 2018, 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 Terrence Williams Absent: None

City employees present: Dave Conlon, Toad Loder and Margaret Tatman. Public: Peg and Steve Cizek, Nancy Foertsch, Lenny Larsen, Jan Helmke, Bill Dickey and Jill Graham.

Motion Anderson, second Johnson to approve Minutes from August 21, 2018 Council Meeting, Summary list of claims and Clerk's financial reports. Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

Jan Helmke, Bill Dickey and Jill Graham, all directors of PACGDC were present to speak with Mayor and Council about Ruthven project funding priorities. Mayor Kirk presented the idea of a "spec" business building for Ruthven or possibility of Downtown Lighting updates. Directors asked that if council comes up with other ideas before the next business meeting of the PACGDC board on September 17 to please let them know or come to the board meeting to ask questions or share ideas.

Lenny Larsen of ISG Engineering was present to speak with Mayor and Council on Sewer Project Phase II design. Everything is finalized for design and he is concentrating on getting the 480v electricity installed out at the lagoon site. This will need to be completed before construction can start. Mid-American will install even though the funding for this is budgeted in the design.

Lenny also spoke with Mayor and Council regarding a new city well. Current cost for construction would be estimated at \$330,000.00. This was informational only as PWD Conlon has a concern that if one of the wells goes down the city will be in trouble to keep up with pumping water. PWD Conlon stated he received a quote for approximately \$11,000.00 to pull Well #1 and fix screen and pump. Mayor Kirk stated that amount is in the budget and told PWD Conlon it was ok to get this done.

Motion Schoning, second Anderson, to put Ordinance 02-2018 on second filing. An Ordinance Amending the City of Ruthven, Iowa 2014 Municipal Code of Ordinances by Amending Provisions Pertaining to Water Rates. Whereupon, the Mayor put the question on the motion, and the roll being called, the vote thereon was as follows: Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning and Simington. Nays: Williams. Absent: None

Motion Williams, second Johnson, to approve Resolution 26-2018 – A Resolution to Approve the Iowa Street Financial Report for FY End 2018. Roll Call Vote Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

Street Superintendent Loder stated he has some areas in town that need fixing yet this fall if possible. Mayor Kirk requested he get bids and bring back to next council meeting on September 18, 2018.

Motion Johnson, second Schoning, to approve Resolution 27-2018 – A Resolution to Approve and Adopt a Written Return-To-Work Policy. Roll Call Vote Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

Iowa Downtown Resource Center Downtown Exchange Program-Downtown Walk Around Schedule was reviewed by Clerk Tatman with everyone. This is scheduled for Tuesday-September 11, 2018 from 2:00 to 7:30 p.m. Public invited to attend!

Clerk Tatman shared information with Mayor and Council regarding the mold removal in City Hall.

No one has come forward to fill the opening on the Planning and Zoning Board so Mayor Kirk will do some more calls and find a volunteer to fill the position.

Mayor Kirk shared information on a Gametime Playground 100% match grant with Mayor and Council. After some discussion, Mayor Kirk said he would bring the item up at the Town Hall Meeting to see what residents think about another playground or addition to current playground.

Mayor Kirk declared Halloween Trick or Treating and Trunk n Treating Date set as Wednesday-October 31, 2018 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Mayor Kirk then signed the Proclamation.

Motion Schoning, second Johnson to cancel the October 16, 2018 City Council Meeting due to conflict of CEU Education in Des Moines for Clerk Tatman and Deputy Clerk Schany that same day. Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

Motion Schoning, second Johnson to adjourn meeting at 7:33 p.m. Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Johnson, Schoning, Simington and Williams. Nays: None. Absent: None

Signed:

Attest:

David J. Kirk, Mayor

Margaret Tatman, City Clerk