

**City of Fairbury  
City Council Minutes – March 7, 2018  
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

1. **Call to order** – Mayor Slagel called the meeting to order.
2. **Mayor Slagel directed the Clerk to call roll and the following members of Council answered present:** Gary Norris, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, Gerald Hoffman, and Lynn Dameron. Nancy Gerdes-Hibsch and Bill Schmidgall were absent.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
4. **Motion to approve the Consent Agenda** – Motion by Kinate, second by to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:
  - A. Minutes from the February 21, 2018, council meeting.
  - B. Board Report listing the bills
  - C. Treasurer’s Cash Report (second meeting of the month)
  - D. Check Register (second meeting of the month)
  - E. None
  - F. None

Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Dameron

5. **Mayor Slagel opened Public Comment and the following persons provided comments:**

None

6. **Reports of Departments**

- Street Superintendent/Fire Chief Steidinger was absent
- Assistant Sewer Superintendent Duncan reported
  - He found a root-killing product he would like to try on Stanley Drive and in the Bess addition to alleviate sewer backups due to heavy rains. Council gave permission.
- Water Superintendent Ifft was absent
- Chief of Police Travis’ report included in council packet;
  - The Drug Enforcement restricted fund has reimbursed the City’s general fund for 62.5 drug enforcement training overtime hours which equates to \$1,271
- City Superintendent Ashburn reported
  - He supplied the council with a pricing list for electric aggregation electricity rates
  - Requested to schedule a Water & Sewer Committee meeting
- City Attorney Mason – no report

7. **Reports of Aldermen**

- Alderman Norris – no report
- Alderman Gerdes was absent
- Alderman Hoselton – no report
- Alderman Kinate – no report
- Alderman Weber – no report

- Alderman Hoffman – no report
- Alderman Dameron – no report
- Alderman Schmidgall was absent

**8. Items Removed from Consent Agenda – None**

**9. Old Business – Discussion/Action Items**

- A. Motion by Dameron, second by Norris to pay 2018 Greater Livingston County Economic Development Council dues in the amount of \$7,916 to be paid at the first council meeting in April and September, 2018. Motion carried 4-1-1. YES-Norris Kinate Weber Dameron NO-Hoselton PASS-Hoffman
- B. Motion by Norris, second by Hoselton to approve repairs to the rock bin at the Street Department. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Dameron
- C. Motion by Kinate, second by Dameron to approve a \$50 donation request to the Prairie Central After Prom committee. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Dameron
- D. Motion by Norris, second by Kinate to promote Officer Keith Semmerling to Corporal. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Dameron
- E. Motion by Dameron, second by Norris to promote Officer Chris Edwards to Sergeant. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Dameron
- F. Motion by Hoselton, second by Weber to approve a recommendation from the Police & Fire Committee to allow the Police Department to begin raising funds for a K-9 Unit and starting a perpetual fund for that purpose with Prairie Lands Foundation. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Dameron

*This section includes items received after the required posting of 48 hours prior to the start of the meeting.*

**11. Other Items for Discussion & Information**

- Mayor Slagel asked the council to make a recommendation to the Zoning Board of Appeals to amend Article V, 5.7, G, 4B and F which pertains to automatic pool covers
- City Superintendent Ashburn elaborated on the electrical aggregation rates
- Mayor Slagel and Alderman Dameron, Chairman of the Police & Fire Committee, pooled resources and donated \$1,000 to the K-9 savings account

**12. Public Comment**

- Diane Pawlowski asked if the reason for going into executive session during the last committee meeting was to discuss the K-9
- Sewer Superintendent Frank McPherson asked the council if they have reviewed the employee evaluations

**13. Executive Session – DID NOT ENTER**

**14. Adjournment – Motion by Dameron, second by Kinate @ 7:03 p.m.**

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk