

City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – March 6, 2019
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, Bruce Weber, and Gerald Hoffman. Jon Kinate, Lynn Dameron and Bill Schmidgall were absent.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
4. **Motion to approve the Consent Agenda** – Motion by Norris, second by Weber to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:
 - A. Minutes from the February 20, 2019, council meeting
 - B. Voucher Invoice Register listing the bills
 - C. Treasurer’s Cash Report (second meeting of the month)
 - D. Check Register (second meeting of the month)
 - E. None
 - F. Overtime Report

Motion carried 4-0. YES-Norris Hoselton Weber Hoffman
5. **Mayor Slagel opened Public Comment and the following persons provided comments:**
 - **Nick Osborn asked the council to consider allowing chickens inside city limits**
 - **Dan Shepard addressed the council about neighbors’ dogs constant barking**
6. **Reports of Departments**
 - Street Superintendent/Fire Chief Steidinger – no report
 - Sewer Superintendent Duncan was absent
 - Water Superintendent Ifft was absent
 - Chief of Police Travis – no report
 - City Superintendent Ashburn reported
 - BPC, city employees’ health care deductible funds, will expire March 31st; employees’ HSA accounts are fully funded for the next two years based on current prices
 - He and Utility Billing Clerk, Stephanie Meints, will be attending a webinar about paperless billing
 - City Attorney Mason – no report
7. **Reports of Aldermen**
 - Alderman Norris asked Dale Maley to report his findings from the recent survey he invited the public to participate in
 - Alderman Hoselton – no report
 - Alderman Kinate was absent
 - Alderman Weber – no report
 - Alderman Hoffman – no report
 - Alderman Dameron was absent
 - Alderman Schmidgall was absent
8. **Items Removed from Consent Agenda – NONE**

9. Old Business – Discussion/Action Items

- A. Consideration of an Ordinance amending Chapter 7 of the Municipal Code Book of the City of Fairbury - **TABLED**

10. New Business – Discussion/Action Items

- A. Consideration of changes to the City's Employee Policy - **TABLED**
- B. Consideration of Electric Aggregation pricing for the City - **TABLED**
- C. Motion by Hoselton, second by Weber to approve a bid in the amount of \$13,337.00 from Sam Walter and Son to purchase a mower for the Street Department. Motion carried 4-0. YES-Norris Hoselton Weber Hoffman
- D. Motion by Weber, second by Hoselton to update signers on ACH accounts for payroll and utility billing at Bank of Pontiac to include Dale Diller, Brett Ashburn, Stephanie Meints and Nancy Widlacki for utility billing; Ruth Teubel, Dale Diller, Brett Ashburn and Nancy Widlacki for payroll account. Motion carried 4-0. YES-Norris Hoselton Weber Hoffman
- E. Consideration to amend Chapter 13, Nuisances, of the Municipal Code Book of the City of Fairbury - **TABLED**
- F. Consideration of bids to install a ventilation system for the evidence room - **TABLED**
- G. Motion by Weber, second by Hoffman to acceptance the resignation of Officer Graham Haley effective Sunday, March 3, 2019. Motion carried 4-0. YES-Norris Hoselton Weber Hoffman
- H. Consideration to hire for the Fairbury Police Department – **ACTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION**

11. Other Items for Discussion & Information

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

NONE

12. Public Comment

NONE

13. Motion by Norris at 7:14 p.m. to enter Executive Session, second by Hoffman.

- A. Personnel – Section 2(c)(1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance. (Note: An independent contractor is not an employee).
- B. Litigation – Section 2(c)(11) – Pending, probable or imminent litigation. Probable or imminent litigation requires specific finding to that effect in closed session minutes.

Motion by Weber at 8:12 p.m. to enter Open Session, second by Hoffman.

Action from Executive Session

No motion was made however, the council gave Chief Travis permission to being pursuing experienced lateral officers

14. Adjournment – Motion by Weber, second by Hoffman to adjourn @ 8:12 p.m.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk