

City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes –April 19, 2023
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall

1. **Call to order** – Mayor Slagel called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. **Mayor Slagel directed the Clerk to call roll and the following members of Council answered present:** Gary Norris, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, James Tipton, and Bill Schmidgall. Steve Endres arrived at 6:32pm.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Motion to approve the Consent Agenda** – Motion by Tipton, second by Kinate to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:
 - A. Minutes from the April 5, 2023, 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 5-0. YES-Norris Kinate Weber Tipton Schmidgall
5. **Mayor Slagel opened Public Comment and the following persons provided comments:**
 - **Jason Smith presented to the council a plan to build memorial basketball courts in the community.**
 - **Dale Maley discussed doing some painting upkeep to the parks as well as updating an awning at the Echo Museum.**
6. **Reports of Departments**
 - Streets & Fire – Martin Steidinger, Superintendent & Fire Chief- none
 - Sewer – Bruce Pride, Asst. Superintendent- none
 - Water – Mike Mellott, Superintendent – absent
 - Police – Robert McCormick, Chief reported-
 - New police Dodge Durango was delivered
 - Insurance issued a check for the Explorer that was damaged by a deer
 - City – Brett Ashburn, Superintendent reported –
 - Final paperwork for Covid money was submitted
 - Submitted the first lead service line inventory mandate from the federal EPA
 - Legal – Steven Mann, City Attorney – absent
7. **Reports of Aldermen**
 - Alderman Norris –
 - Thanked Dale Maley for his volunteer work. Asked for update on pool progress.
 - Alderman Endres –
 - Possible drainage issue on Carter Dr.
 - Alderman Hoselton –absent
 - Alderman Kinate –
 - Asked for an update on Route 24 being fixed
 - Alderman Weber – no report
 - Alderman Hoffman – absent

- Alderman Tipton –
 - Followed up on the basketball court presentation
- Alderman Schmidgall – no report

8. Items Removed from Consent Agenda
NONE

9. Old Business – Discussion/Action Items
NONE

10. New Business – Discussion/Action Items

- A. Motion by Kinate, second by Endres to approve pay ordinance including contracts with City Superintendent and Police Chief. Motion carried 6-0 YES- Norris Endres Kinate Weber Tipton Schmidgall
- B. Motion by Norris, second by Endres to approve sale of 2013 Explorer to Dullahan Auto Sales for \$1,351.57. Motion carried 6-0 YES- Norris Endres Kinate Weber Tipton Schmidgall
- C. Motion by Weber, second by Endres to approve improvements for the Stafford Center. Motion carried 6-0 YES- Norris Endres Kinate Weber Tipton Schmidgall
- D. Motion by Schmidgall, second by Norris to approve proposal from Gomez Lawncare for \$7,000 for the downtown flower boxes. Motion carried 6-0 YES- Norris Endres Kinate Weber Tipton Schmidgall

11. Other Items for Discussion & Information

- **Alderman Endres and Dale Maley are looking into fixing broken equipment at Marsh Park**

12. Public Comment

NONE

13. Executive Session

Motion by Schmidgall, second by Kinate to enter Executive Session at 7:40 p.m. Motion carried 6-0 YES- Norris Endres Kinate Weber Tipton Schmidgall

A. Personnel – Section 2(c)(1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance. (Note: An independent contractor is not an employee).

Motion by Kinate, second by Norris to enter Open Session @ 7:52 p.m.

NO ACTION TAKEN

14. Adjournment – Motion by Norris, second by Schmidgall to adjourn at 7:53 p.m.

Alexandria Reis, City Clerk