

City Council Minutes
July 18, 2022

The Fergus Falls City Council held a regular meeting on Monday July 18, 2022 at 5:30 pm in the City Council Chambers. Tim Molter gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mayor Schierer called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm and the following council members were in attendance: Hagberg, Kvamme, Rufer, Thompson, Arneson, Gustafson, Hicks and Fish.

Approval of Agenda

A motion and second were offered by Fish and Hagberg to approve tonight's agenda with the addition of an appointment to the Public Arts Commission (consent) and an update on the LCCMR funding for the dairy project (staff reports) and the motion carried.

Consent Agenda

The following items were approved under **Resolution #145-2022** by Arneson: Motion approving the minutes from the July 5, 2022 City Council meeting and the July 13, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting. Motion approving the following licenses: Paving/Sidewalk B & D Concrete, Cityside Improvements; Excavator Mark Bergerud. **Resolution #146-2022** declaring vehicles and duty pistols as surplus items and authorizing their disposal for trade-in value. **Resolution #147-2022** approving the county-wide multi-hazard plan. **Resolution #148-2022** approving fire contracts with the townships of Aurdal, Buse, Fergus Falls and Orwell and authorizing the Mayor and City Administrator to sign the contracts. **Resolution #149-2022** accepting SEH's professional services agreement for alternate bid option design for PI 9348, the airport fuel system replacement in the amount of \$18,200. Motion directing the City Attorney to draft changes to City Code 72.45, Mobile Food Trucks. **Resolution #150-2022** authorizing the installation of pedestrian curb cuts in the alley behind the 200 block of W Lincoln Avenue. Motion appointing Christine Lawson to the Public Arts Commission. **Resolution #151-2022** accepting the donation of disc golf equipment. The resolution was seconded by Thompson and was adopted.

Ordinance 29

Ordinance 29, Eighth Series, Discontinuation of the Local Option Sales Tax, effective September 30, 2022 was adopted by a roll call vote.

Resolution of Accounts

Fish offered a resolution authorizing the payments and claims in the amount of \$1,432,527.45, which was seconded by Hagberg and was adopted.

Zoning Updates for CBD Products

A motion and second were made by Hicks and Gustafson directing the Planning Commission to study and recommend zoning updates for the sale and manufacturing of CBD products and the motion carried.

Update on LCCMR

The Port Authority has owned the dairy property since 2016 and was allocated \$600,000 in LCCMR funds to purchase the river buffer parcel. The city conducted and submitted two appraisals by the June 30, 2022, deadline and both were denied by the DNR. The funding is no longer available to the city and staff are seeking other avenues such as legislative action or grants to regain the funding.

The meeting adjourned at 5:42 pm

Lynne Olson