

PURSUANT TO DUE CALL AND NOTICE THEREOF, A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FULDA WAS HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON DECEMBER 5 , 2016 AT 7:00 P.M

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers by Acting Mayor R. Kellen, with the following Council Members present: J. Troje, J. Brown and T. Roberts.

Staff present: Paul Kenney, Police Chief.

Others present: David Baumhoefner, Bob Sandhurst and John Maertens.

Troje moved and Roberts seconded the motion to approve the agenda with the following additions: Insurance Review - Tort Liability Waiver Form.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Roberts moved and Troje seconded the motion approving the regular meeting minutes from November 7, 2016 and special meeting, November 14, 2016.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Troje moved and Brown seconded the motion approving bills as presented for November, 2016.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Baumhoefner explained the tort limits and past practice by the city has been to not waive. Brown moved and Roberts seconded the motion to not waive the tort limits and remain with the statutory \$500,000.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Baumhoefner shared that he recently wrote a grant for the fire department for washing fire gear for all the departments in Murray County. The grant is for \$9000 with the match requirement being \$1000. The match will be shared by the multiple departments which would amount to about \$145 each. The machine will be housed at the Slayton Fire Department.

Bob Sandhurst, representing the zoning board, discussed the recent meeting they had in regards to the fence ordinance. The zoning board recommends changing the allowed fence height from 5 feet to 7 feet, measuring from the ground to the top of the fence. Troje moved and Brown seconded the motion to accept the recommended changes to the ordinance.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Kellen shared an update with the erosion by Wally Johlfs property. Kellen spoke with Dave Thiner about it in regards to it be a county issue, which they will follow up with.

The 2017 meeting schedule for the council was included. There was a question about the January meeting due to the holiday. Council decided the best option for the January meeting to be held on January 9<sup>th</sup>.

Applications were received from Maynard's, Graff's and Casey's for 2017 cigarette/tobacco licenses. Troje moved and Roberts seconded the motion to approve the three licenses for tobacco sale.

Motion carried unanimously.

The 2017 Fee Schedule was discussed. A correction on ordinance 228 in section C. to change the year to 2017. Roberts moved and Troje seconded the motion to adopt ordinance 228, fee schedule for 2017.

Motion carried unanimously.

Notice was received from Berg & Eisfeld, which is replacing Gerber & Haugen. Haugen will be staying on as a consultant during the transition. Council approved to sign the engagement letter.

Troje moved and Roberts seconded the motion to approve resolution 2016-05 to approve the final 2017 tax levy.

Motion carried unanimously.

Steve Horn spoke with the council about the Depot and Heritage Society. He has written a grant to have an engineer look at the Depot to determine the needs to restore it. One item of his concern is finding the 99 year lease. Suggestion was to have a new lease drawn up since the original can't be find. Another concern he has is having All Aboard Antiques at the Depot. He feels that there is too much liability to the city to have that business in the Depot. He feels Sitton needs to have his business removed from the Depot. Another issue is the fire extinguisher in the Depot and that it hasn't been inspected in 17 years. He stated that all other museums similar to the Depot are closed during the winter season. Horn also mentioned wanting to have a fundraiser for the Depot in August. The fundraiser would be two days and would include local artists. He questioned what licenses he would need if the fundraiser would move to the park. It was suggested he could speak with members from the Community Club for some direction.

Roberts moved and Troje seconded the motion to approve the building permit for A. Moger for storage shed.

Motion carried unanimously.

Kellen submitted his letter of resignation as councilmember which will be effective December 31, 2016.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, January 9, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

Troje moved and Roberts seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 pm.

Motion passed unanimously.

Julie Burchill  
City Clerk

Ron Kellen  
Acting Mayor