

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
 JANUARY 8, 2024
 FOSTORIA, IOWA 51340**

The City of Fostoria, met on the 8th day of January, in regular session, pursuant to law, adjournment to said rules of the Council.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor and roll being called there were present Marlin Voss in the Chair, and the following members of the Council:

Present: Anderson, Elsenbast, Fiedler (Left 8pm), Linn (Phone), and Rutter

Absent: None

Also present: Bill Cother, Darren Bumgarner, and Steve Hallgren

It was moved by Council Member Fiedler, seconded by Council Member Elsenbast **to approve December 11, 2023 Minutes with the correction date on the agenda .**

Motion carried.

It was moved by Council Member Rutter, seconded by Council Member Elsenbast **to approve December 2023 Claims as follows:**

014088	Holiday Outdoor Deco	Christmas Lights Brkts/Snap	151.43
014089	Robin Schmidt	Reimbursement Exit Light	25.37
014090	Alliant Energy	CH Lights	153.63
		FS Light	44.15
		MS Lights	32.43
		SL Lights	780.81
014091	Black Hills Energy	FS Heat	63.25
		CH Heat	63.26
		MS Heat	74.60
014092	City of Fostoria	GB/RC/SW	51.50
014093	IA Lakes Electric	Lagoon Lights	41.00
014094	Milford Communication	CH/FS Internet	46.90
		CH Phone	43.77
014095	Robin Schmidt	City Clerk Wages	1470.75
014096	William Cother	Maintenance Assistant Wages	1082.50
014097	Marlin Voss	Mayor Salary	200.00
014098	Bill Cother	Mileage/Reimb Ford Pickup Purchase	4758.24
014099	Clay County Law Enforc	Police Protection	710.33
014100	Marlin Voss	January Meter Readings	15.00
014101	Clay County Auditor	2023 Election	265.52
014102	IA One Call	4 Emails	18.00
014103	Mar-Lin Business	Transfer Belt (Printer)/Toner	309.00

014104	Spencer Menards	Drop Box/Shelving/Vacuum/Tools	253.48
014105	Healy Excavating	Application #2 Payment	3781.24
014106	Kendra Hanson	Drop Box Label	20.00
014107	New Cooperative Inc	Gas, Diesel, Oil	353.78
014108	Pederson Electric Inc	Electrical –Maint/Stor Bldgs	4232.47
014109	Spencer Reporter	Legal Publications	30.46
014110	Municipal Pipe Tool	Application #3 Payment	30029.74
014111	Iowa Lakes Regional Water	Water Purchase	2644.09
		Water OP	108.50
		Sewer OP	304.00
014112	Town & Country	City Wide Garbage/Recycle	2308.66

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Council Member Anderson, seconded by Council Member Linn to approve the purchase of the 2012 F150 Ford Pickup for the City of Fostoria at \$4500.00.

At this time the Mayor called for the **Public Hearing to be opened (7:35 P.M.)** for the CDBG Status Hearing on the Progress of the Sewer Project.

Council Members were introduced by Darren Bumgarner of the **CDBG Progress of the Sewer Project**. The Mayor asked if there were oral or written objections for the Progress of the Sewer Project. There were none and it was moved its adoption by Council Member Elsenbast, seconded by Council Member Fiedler. Whereupon the Mayor declared the motion duly carried for the CDBG Progress of the Sewer Project.

Mayor called for **Public Hearing to be closed at 7:46 P.M.**

City of Fostoria, Iowa CDBG Status Hearing for Sanitary Sewer Collection and Treatment System Improvements.

This CDBG Status Hearing is being held to comply with the citizen participation requirements of Section 508 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1987.

The City of Fostoria was awarded \$230,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) for the Sewer Collection and Wastewater Lagoon systems improvements on October 5, 2022.

The sewer collection and wastewater lagoon improvements are to assist the City in bringing the sanitary sewer collection and treatment system into compliance with IDNR wastewater regulations and standards.

An environmental review was completed, and IEDA released CDBG funds for construction activities on January 26, 2023. The City divided the construction activities into two (2) parts. One is collection system improvements, and the other is wastewater treatment improvements. The City procured for construction by means of sealed bids for each of the two activities or parts. The City received one sealed bid from Healy Excavating in the amount of \$309,950 for the wastewater treatment improvements/rehabilitation. IEDA approved single-source procurement and the City awarded a construction contract to Healy Excavating, Lake View, Iowa. The City received three (3) bids for the collection system improvements and awarded the low bid to Municipal Pipe & Tool Co., Hudson, Iowa, in the amount of \$269,593.50.

Construction commenced in October 2023 for collection system improvements and November 2023 for wastewater system improvements. Construction is proceeding on each activity. Each of the two construction contracts had a December 2023 completion date, however, due to delays, each construction contract was not completed in December 2023. The estimated completion date for collection system improvements by Municipal Pipe & Tool Co. is February 9, 2024. The estimated completion date by Healy Excavating for wastewater treatment improvements is April 15, 2024.

For the wastewater lagoon rehabilitation project Pay Application No. 2, dated January 2, 2024, shows the following construction activities have been completed: gate valve and box have been removed and replaced, a flow meter with solar panel has been installed and about 2/5 (43.5%) of the rip rap has been installed. Remaining work to complete the lagoon rehabilitation project includes installing the remaining rip rap, and sludge removal.

For the wastewater collection system improvements project, Application for Payment No. 3 dated January 2, 2024, shows the following construction activities have been completed: 3,218 LF8" sewer main relined, 42 sewer services reinstated, 436 VF manholes lined and repaired. Remaining work to complete the collection systems project includes pressure testing service connections, and chemical grout of 43 service connections.

As January 2, 2024, Municipal Pipe & Tool Co. Pay Application No.3 contractor shows the value of work completed less 5% retainage is \$221,843.05 and Pay Application No. 2 for Healy Excavating shows the value of work completed less 5% retainage is \$118,256.24. An expenditure summary as of January 2, 2024, CDBG draw #4, shows the City requested \$133,051 in CDBG federal funds, of which \$118,526 is for construction and engineer costs and \$14,525 is for CDBG administration with Northwest Iowa Planning & Development Commission. To date, the local match expenditures are \$260,398.29. The City's source of local funds is primarily State of Iowa SRF low-interest funds.

To date no changes have been made to the project's CDBG contracts budget, performance targets, activity schedules, project scope, location, objectives or beneficiaries.

It was moved by Council Member Rutter, seconded by Council Members Fiedler to approve
Healy Excavating Sanitary Sewer Lagoon Application #2 Payment.
Motion Carried.

It was moved by Council Member Anderson, seconded by Council Members Linn to approve
Municipal Pipe Tool Pay Application #3 Payment City of Fostoria Sewer Collection System.
Motion Carried.

It was moved by Council Member Anderson, seconded by Council Member Rutter to approve
Pederson Electric Inc for the upgrade on the Maint/Storage Buildings.
Motion Carried.

It was moved by Council Member Elsenbast, seconded by Council Member Rutter to approve
Cenex Liquor License.
Motion Carried.

It was moved by Council Member Linn, seconded by Elsenbast to approve **February 19th, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. for the Budget Workshop.**
Motion Carried.

It was moved by Council Member Anderson, seconded by Council Member Elsenbast to approve Appointment of:

- Mayor Pro-Tem – Aaron Rutter
- Fire Chief – Kim Kroger
- Attorney – Jill Davis
- City Clerk – Robin Schmidt (2 yrs)

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Council Member Elsenbast, seconded by Council Member Anderson to approve Bank Signatures – Marlin Voss, Robin Schmidt, Aaron Rutter

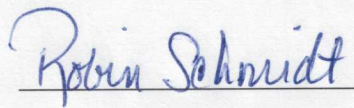
There being no further discussion, it was moved by Anderson, seconded by Fiedler to **adjourn the meeting** at 8:54 P.M.

Motion carried.

Attest:

Robin Schmidt, City Clerk

Marlin Voss, Mayor





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