

Farmington City Council
Meeting Minutes- January 02, 2024
Prepared by Nancy Reed, City Clerk

The regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on January 02, 2024 at the Farmington City Building 322 E. Fort Street. Mayor Stufflebeam led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The following Aldermen answered present to roll call: Gilles, Smith, Boggs, Fleming, Rose and Crusen. Ald. Rose and Atty. Connor were on Teams. Adm. Bohanan, Police Chief Darsham and Sgt. K-9 Officer Steck were also present. Mayor Stufflebeam asked the Council for a motion to permit Ald. Rose to use Teams remotely. Ald. Boggs motioned to approve Ald. Rose to use Teams remotely for the City Council Meetings. Ald. Gilles seconded the motion carried with all ayes. Ald. Gilles moved to approve the minutes for December 18, 2023. Ald. Crusen seconded the motion carried with all ayes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was no correspondence at tonight's meeting.

BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:

Ald. Boggs moved to approve the Bills Presented for Payment. Ald. Gilles seconded the motion with a roll call vote: Ald. Gilles, yes; Ald. Boggs, yes; Ald. Fleming, yes; Ald. Rose, yes; Ald. Crusen, yes, Ald. Gilles, yes; and Ald. Smith, yes.

BALANCE OF ACCOUNTS:

Mayor Stufflebeam reported on the Working Cash to the City Council. Mayor Stufflebeam asked for any questions from the City Council. With no further questions, the meeting continued.

TIF REPORT:

Mayor Stufflebeam read the TIF Report. The beginning of the month balance was \$1,186,992.59. TIF payments were made to the following: Brian Elliott, \$2,500; Peterson Health; \$3,543.91; SSJTT Holdings, \$702.24; Farmington Fire Dept, \$25,000; Creative Designs, \$33,750; and Diva Florist, \$4,000. Property Taxes were deposited of \$21,802.06 with an ending balance of \$1,139,298.50.

POLICE REPORT:

Police Chief Darsham commented that Ordinance work continues. The Police Department is currently working on a grant for new tasers. Storage boxes have been bought for the Police Department pick-ups. They have received one application for testing in February. Adm. Bohanan has sent out several emails on the applications for police testing with a deadline of January 28, 2024. Adm. Bohanan also commented that a court date is now being added to Ordinance violators. Ald. Boggs moved to approve the Police Department Report as presented. Ald. Crusen seconded the motion carried with all ayes.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion was held on the Flock Cameras for the City of Farmington. Ald. Boggs moved to approve the purchase of 3 Flock Cameras for the City of Farmington with looking at the contract to determine the language on storage. There was no second motion on the purchasing of the 3 Flock cameras. This will be brought to the City Council on the next Agenda on January 15, 2024 for further discussion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance: Ald. Crusen had nothing to report.

Public Safety: Ald. Boggs had nothing to report.

Sewer: Ald. Fleming had nothing to report.

Streets/Sidewalks/Garbage: Ald. Gilles had nothing to report.

Parks & Recreation: Ald. Smith had nothing to report.

Public Grounds & Buildings: Ald. Rose had nothing to report.

GENERAL COMMENTS:

Mr. Giagnoni asked if this was the last TIF payment to Peterson Health. Mayor Stufflebeam commented yes, it was Peterson Health's last TIF Payment. Mr. Giagnoni was excited to comment on an article published recently in the magazine, Toy Farmer. Last Fall at the Spoon River Drive, a Peoria Farmer reporter interviewed a local Farmington family about their steam engine built by O.A. Thomas. Lopez's family was featured in a 3 page article in the Toy Farmer magazine. Mayor Stufflebeam thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting. Ald. Boggs moved to adjourn. Ald. Gilles seconded the motion with all ayes. City Council meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.