

# FAIRBURY PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

## MINUTES

August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
7:00 p.m.

Member Rogge made the statement regarding the Open Meetings Act as required by statute.

1. Member Phil Rogge called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked for roll call. Other members present were: Brian Schmidt, Kelly Davis and Tim Polson.

2. Next, was the motion to convene.

Member Davis made the motion to convene. Member Polson seconded the motion. By roll call, the vote was 4 - "yes" (Schmidt, Rogge, Davis and Polson) / 0 - "nay". The motion passed.

3. Next, was the approval of the August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021, minutes. Discussion, taking of any necessary or desired action.

Member Schmidt made the motion to approve the minutes of the August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021, meeting. Member Polson seconded the motion. By roll call, the vote was 4 - "yes" (Schmidt, Rogge, Davis and Polson) / 0 - "nay". The motion passed.

4. Next, was discussion and recommendation regarding a request from Fairbury Community Foundation to place barricades around the courthouse on September 11 from 6 a.m. – 6 p.m. and in the 500 block of E Street directly north of 5<sup>th</sup> Street, directly south of 6<sup>th</sup> Street and at the entrance to the east and west alley between 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Streets on E Street on September 11 from 6 a.m. to September 12 at 6 a.m. and to supply electric and sanitation services and waive vendors fees for the Founders Day event. Discussion, taking of any necessary or desired action.

Mr. Don Cook was present and spoke on behalf of the Fairbury Community Foundation. Member Rogge asked if there will be a petting zoo this year to which Don stated that they are planning on it. It was noted that although the commission likes the additional events partnering with the car show they want to be sure that the area is cleaned up, specifically the hay maze. Don assured them that it would be and that there will not be a hay maze this year. It was also noted that vendors, the band and the stages need to be moved out of the area by 6 am. to make room for the car show vehicles. Again Don stated that they would be out of the way by 6am and that the vendors will be located on 6<sup>th</sup> street from E street to the alley east of E street. It was clarified that the barricades around the square are from 6am to 6pm and the barricades from 5<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> on E are from 6 am Saturday to 6 am Sunday. Member Polson made the motion to recommend City Council approve the request from Fairbury Community Foundation to place barricades around the courthouse on September 11 from 6 a.m. – 6 p.m. and in the 500 block of E Street directly north of 5<sup>th</sup> Street, directly south of 6<sup>th</sup> Street and at the entrance to the east and west alley between 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Streets on E Street on September 11 from 6 a.m. to September 12 at 6 a.m. and to supply electric and sanitation services and waive vendors fees for the Founders Day event. Member Schmidt seconded the motion. By roll call, the vote was 4 - "yes" (Schmidt, Rogge, Davis and Polson) / 0 - "nay". The motion passed.

5. Next, was discussion and recommendation regarding a request from Tooley's Bar to place barricades in the 300 block of D Street directly south of 4<sup>th</sup> Street and directly north of the east and west alley between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Streets on D Street for a beer garden on September 12<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 1 a.m. Discussion, taking of any necessary or desired action.

Abby Hasselbring was present and spoke on behalf of Tooley's Bar. She stated that the Beer garden is proposed to be running in conjunction with the car show on Sunday starting at 9 am. There was some

discussion regarding the need for a fire lane and Bedlan explained to the commission that due to the size and location she, the sheriff, fire chief do not feel it is necessary. Abby assured the commission that the neighboring business Griffey's is ok with the event and explained that there will be a band but they do not know who yet. Member Schmidt made the motion to recommend City Council approve the request from Tooley's Bar to place barricades in the 300 block of D Street directly south of 4<sup>th</sup> Street and directly north of the east and west alley between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Streets on D Street for a beer garden on September 12<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 1 a.m. Member Davis seconded the motion. By roll call, the vote was 4 - "yes" (Schmidt, Rogge, Davis and Polson) / 0 - "nay". The motion passed.

6. Next, was discussion and recommendation regarding estimates received for professional services for the 2021-01 I Street Improvement district project, taking of any necessary or desired action.

Bedlan explained that once the paving district passed and the objection period expired without sufficient objection she proceeded to contact 4 engineering firms that have done work in the City of Fairbury in the past. Of those four, Kirkham Michael had the lowest estimate at \$21,800. She cautioned that these are not 'not to exceed' estimates and may fluctuate due to time and material cost when they get to the construction observation phase of the project, however that would apply to all of the estimates she received. The depth of the concrete was discussed and it is noted that the engineer from Kirkham Michael did come to town to look at the project prior to giving the estimate. Rogge noted that Kirkham Michael is a reputable, longstanding firm that worked in Fairbury in 2004 on the previous downtown revitalization project. Member Schmidt made the motion to recommend City Council accept the estimate from Kirkham Michael to provide services for the 2021-01 I street Improvement district project. Member Davis seconded the motion. By roll call, the vote was 4 - "yes" (Schmidt, Rogge, Davis and Polson) / 0 - "nay". The motion passed.

7. Next, were public comments on non-agenda items

With no comments from the public on non-agenda items member Schmidt made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Polson seconded the motion. By roll call, the vote was 4 - "yes" (Rogge, Polson, Davis and Schmidt) / 0 - "nay". The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.