

Minutes

November 18, 2014

General Meeting

1) The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bob Dablow at 7:00PM.

a) Council Members present were Bob Dablow, Burl Ingebretsen, Adam Jenstead, Shelley Poehls and Tom Berglind.

b) Others Present were Wendy Otte/Clerk, Norm Nyland, Aaron Mayry, Drew Schwan and Richard Schenck.

2) The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

3) Previous Minutes

a) General Meeting – October 21, 2014

A MOTION was made by Tom Berglind to approve the General Meeting Minutes for October 21, 2014. It was 2nd by Shelley Poehls and the motion carried.

b) Special Meeting – October 28, 2014

A MOTION was made by Adam Jenstead to approve the Special Meeting Minutes for October 28, 2014. It was 2nd by Shelley Poehls and the motion carried.

4) City Attorney – Zenas Baer – Not present to report.

5) City Engineer – Dan Hanson – We let Dan know ahead of time that we didn't have anything for him.

6) Amendments to Agenda – none.

7) Citizens concerns – none.

8) Maintenance Department – Aaron Mayry – There have been some problems with some heating units that Aaron has fixed. The pond has been taken care of. Aaron and Norm fixed the gas line at the EMS building today.

a) Uniforms – Bob would like to budget for some shirts for Aaron to wear for maintenance and for some shelving for the maintenance area in the EMS building.

A MOTION was made by Tom Berglind to purchase up to \$250.00 in uniform shirts and up to \$1,000.00 in shelving to be paid for by the end of 2014. It was 2nd by Shelley Poehls and the motion carried.

9) Water Department – Norm Nyland – 1.119 million gallons were pumped last month. There was a lot of water used for flushing hydrants which is done for the year. The back up generator at the water plant has been repaired. Norm is waiting for the KLM report for their recommendations on water tower maintenance. 60,000 gallons of water was used at a fire on Sunday, the Fire District will bill the home owner and pass the water use fee back to the city.

10) Sewer Department – Norm Nyland – .807 million gallons pumped to the lagoons last month. We had 2.54 inches of rain last month. The discharge is done, but we did not meet standards on testing. Norm still hasn't heard from Key on the manholes yet. The rip rap should be done next week. The council would like Norm to order the locating equipment this year because we do have money in the budget.

A MOTION was made by Burl Ingebretsen to order and spend up to \$6,500.00 for the locating equipment. It was 2nd by Tom Berglind and the motion carried.

a) Sewer Rates – The council discussed raising sewer rates by \$1.00 a month because the sewer fund has been at a negative balance for the past few years.

A MOTION was made by Adam Jenstead to raise the sewer rates by \$1.00 beginning in January 2014. It was 2nd by Tom Berglind and the motion carried.

11) Treasurers Report – Looked over.

a) 2015 Budget – We may be able to come down on the levy, we will finalize the budgets at the December 16th Truth in Taxation meeting.

12) Receipts, Disbursements & Claims – Were looked over.

A MOTION was made by Burl Ingebretsen to approve the Claims. It was 2nd by Shelley Poehls and the motion carried.

13) Water/Sewer/Garbage Bills & Past Dues – There are 2 to be shut off this month if payments aren't made by the 25th.

14) Old Business

a) Cell Phone Repeater – The Lions donated \$400.00 towards the purchase and installation of a cell phone repeater in the community center.

15) New Business

a) Canvass Election Results – Drew Schwan was elected with the most write in votes to fill the open council seat.

A MOTION was made by Burl Ingebretsen to adopt a resolution certifying the election results. It was 2nd by Adam Jenstead and the motion carried.

b) Antenna Agreements – Bob is looking at the antennas on the water tower and coming up with lease agreements for those on there.

c) Crusaders Lease – Bob is working on the garage lease and should have it completed next month.

16) Commissioner Reports

a) Health – Adam Jenstead – Nothing new to report.

b) Weeds – Bob Dablow – Nothing to report.

c) Emergency Management Director – Randy Schmidt – Not present to report.

d) Fire District - Bob Dablow – Minutes and financials looked over. Wolverton is now operating under the SEFD name, but will cover their own area. The FD will be taking in about \$7,000.00 a year from Wolverton.

e) Rescue Squad- Shelley Poehls – minutes looked over. The Rescue Squad also dropped off their budget for the city to look over for approval. The RS got a grant for part of the AED that they have ordered. Clay County EMS met and is being resurrected. The RS would like the joint powers agreements mailed out in January for the up coming renewals.

f) Parks – Adam Jenstead – Nothing to report.

g) Recycling – Burl Ingebretsen – The new recycling person has started. We have had issues with a resident dropping off garbage at the center.

h) Streets – Burl Ingebretsen – Crack Sealing cannot be done this year.

i) Zoning – Tom Berglind – We issued 1 permit last month.

17) Adjournment

A MOTION was made by Shelley Poehls to adjourn. It was 2nd by Burl Ingebretsen and the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:34pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Wendy Otte, City Clerk

Approved 12-16-14