

Minutes
February 17, 2015
General Meeting

1) The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bob Dablow at 7:02PM.

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

b) Others Present were Wendy Otte/Clerk, Aaron Mayry, Norm Nyland, Dave Olek, Dean Jorgenson, Gary Arth and Richard Schenck.

2) The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

3) Previous Minutes

a) General Meeting – January 20, 2015

A MOTION was made by Burl Ingebretsen to approve the general meeting minutes for January 20, 2015. It was 2nd by Tom Berglind and the motion carried.

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

5) City Engineer – Dan Hanson – Not present to report.

6) Amendments to Agenda – None

7) Citizens concerns – Gary Arth wants to put up a car port and is wondering if he will need a building permit. Tom is meeting with Sid tomorrow and will check with him and call Gary with the answer.

15) New Business a) Garbage Contract - moved up. Fuchs Sanitation is looking at a 15.1% increase, rates have not increased in the past 5 years. The increase would be monthly for the next 5 years.

A MOTION was made by Adam Jenstead to approve the garbage contract with Fuchs Sanitation. It was 2nd by Drew Schwan and the motion carried.

The council was also asked if the city would be interested in having a yard waste dumpster set up in the city. The county has money budgeted to reimburse us if we choose to have one set up. The council will look into whether or not we will get a dumpster for yard waste and where we could place it. The council will also look at increasing garbage rates due to the rate increase next month.

15) New Business b) Crowbar – moved up. Dean Jorgenson is wondering when he is asked to set up a bar for events what he needs to do to get a temporary permit for those events. Dean was told he would request being put on the agenda for a general meeting for council approval of those events.

8) Maintenance Department – Aaron Mayry – Aaron is looking into fixing the seal on the tractor, the dishwasher motor has been repaired, the shelving in the maintenance building has been set up and some hyper chloride lines have been replaced in the water plant.

9) Water Department – Norm Nyland – 814,000 gallons were pumped last month. Norm has had some good feedback from residents on the water lately. There were 2 major fires and 2

home water leaks in the last month which has caused the city to use more water than normal. In one of the homes that had a leak the water meter was damaged and it will be replaced tomorrow. The meter in the other home has been destroyed as well and will be replaced at a later date if the service is restored. We still have not gotten the report from KLM on what we should be looking at to set aside money for future maintenance. Norm will be ordering some meters soon, so we have some on hand for replacing or new services. Norm and Aaron will be attending the MNRW conference in March.

10) Sewer Department – Norm Nyland – 696,000 gallons pumped to the lagoons last month. The permit forms for waste water have been sent in, the cost has gone up in the last 5 years, the fee is now \$1240.00. Norms license renewal is in with the claims for this month the cost is \$23.00.

11) Treasurers Report – Looked over.

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

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

13) Water/Sewer/Garbage Bills & Past Dues – There are 4 to be shut off this month if payments aren't made by the 25th.

14) Old Business

15) New Business

a) Discussed earlier.

b) Discussed earlier.

c) **Community Center Sound System** – The sound system is not working great, so Adam checked into it and got an estimate for \$3,000.00 installed. The Lion's are also looking into more estimates. Adam just wanted to bring the issue to the city's attention, but will be talking to the clubs in town to see about donating a sound system to the city. The city has no problem letting the clubs in town replace the system, but if there will be any cost to the city it will need to come back before the council for a vote.

A MOTION was made by Tom Berglind to endorse the project as long as there is no cost to the city. It was 2nd by Drew Schwan and the motion carried.

16) Commissioner Reports

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

b) **Weeds** – Bob Dablow – Nothing to report.

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

d) **Fire District** - Bob Dablow – No meeting last month.

e) **Rescue Squad** - Drew Schwan – Minutes were looked over. The Rescue Squad secretary has resigned, because she is no longer living close enough to the area. Bryan Green has talked to the Rescue Squad about possibly covering Wolverton and Comstock because the Fire District already covers them, so he feels it would make sense for the Rescue Squad to cover them as well. A garage door opener has been installed in the building. The Rescue Squad has 42 calls between the city and the townships last year.

f) **Parks** – Adam Jenstead – Softball sign up will be coming up soon, Sabin Youth Softball is also looking for coaches. The clubs are looking at dugout work and agriline should

also be looked at.

g) Recycling – Burl Ingebretsen – Everything is going well.

h) Streets – Burl Ingebretsen – Tom got an estimate for a sander for the streets at a cost of \$2,580.00 that would hook up to the back of the city truck and would save a lot of time on sanding.

A MOTION was made by Adam Jenstead to purchase the sander. It was 2nd by Tom Berglind and the motion carried.

i) Zoning – Tom Berglind – Sid will be here tomorrow.

17) Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Wendy Otte, City Clerk

Approved 3-17-15