

Minutes

October 18, 2016

General Meeting

1) The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bob Dablow at 7:01PM.

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

b) Others Present were Wendy Otte/Clerk, Norm Nyland, Brian Osowski, Michelle Moyano and Dan Hanson.

2) The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

3) Previous Minutes

a) General Meeting – September 20, 2016

A MOTION was made by Tom Berglind to approve the general meeting minutes for September 20, 2016. It was 2nd by Adam Jenstead and the motion carried.

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

a) Bayer Crop Science – The street vacation has been recorded with the county. Bayer asked if we have any tax incentives for new construction, but we do not at this time. Dan suggested if we are interested in looking into tax incentives in the future we should talk to Zenas about it. The water and sewer will be installed at the site soon, Bayer is responsible for all maintenance on the entire system that is put in from the spot that they tie into the city services.

b) Administrative Search Warrants – The Lague house will be torn down soon.

5) City Engineer – Dan Hanson – There is a drainage problem in the new addition, a new home is being built and the home next door has built up the yard so the water does not flow out of the new home area. Dan suggests we ask the neighbors to fix the issue or we fix it and assess to their taxes.

6) Amendments to Agenda –

7) Citizens concerns –

8) Maintenance Department – Aaron Mayry – Not present to report. We have received 2 quotes for the roof repair on the Recycling building. A & B Improvements \$5,000.00 and 4 Him Roofing \$5,285.80. Adam said the Lions and Harvest Days may be interested in helping with the cost for the repairs.

A MOTION was made by Adam Jenstead to accept the bid made by A & B Improvements and repair the roof. It was 2nd by Burl Ingebretsen and the motion carried.

9) Water Department – Norm Nyland – 958,000 gallons were pumped last month. The fire hydrants will be flushed within the next 3 weeks. The meter has been removed from the elevator for the year. The water plant generator was filled with 88 gallons of fuel.

10) Sewer Department – Norm Nyland – 1,011,000 gallons pumped to the lagoons last month with 2.47 inches of rain. Lagoons were sprayed for weeds. Norm will be doing tests for the discharge. We have not had luck with finding a replacement for Norm when he retires

from the water/sewer department, there is a company Barnesville works with that runs their water & sewer departments, Adam will look into the company and invite them to a meeting to check on costs and what they cover.

11) Treasurers Report – Looked over. We will have budget meetings on Thursday, November 10th and Tuesday, November 22nd.

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

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

13) Water/Sewer/Garbage Bills & Past Dues – There are 5 to be shut off this month if payments aren't made by the 25th.

14) Old Business

a) Sabin Post Office – We have not heard from Mr. Walgrave on the proposed lease.

15) New Business

a) Church Welcome Sign – Nobody from the church showed up to discuss the sign. The council did say that the church will need to contact the county, as we believe the area they would like to put a sign up at is a county right of way.

b) Sabin General Store Off Sale License – Their off sale license expires on December 31, 2016.

A MOTION was made by Drew Schwan to approve an Off Sale license for the Sabin General Store for 2017. It was 2nd by Adam Jenstead and the motion carried.

c) Benefit January 7, 2017 – The F.M. Crusaders would like to use the community center at no charge to hold a benefit for a friend to the club that lost their home in Hawley.

A MOTION was made by Tom Berglund to let them use the community center at a reduced price of a \$25.00 kitchen fee, the club is responsible for all clean up. It was 2nd by Bob Dablow and the motion carried.

d) Refinancing Bonds – Brian and Michelle with AMKO Advisors work with cities on managing debt and refinancing bonds. They believe they will be able to save the city a significant amount of money by refinancing our bonds, they have looked into 2 of the bonds that we currently have and the savings looks to be about \$86,000 after the costs of about \$10,000.00 we would pay to their company. We do have bonds that they were unaware of, they will work with Wendy on getting the bond information and will come to the November meeting with more information.

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 – Nothing to report.

e) Parks – Adam Jenstead – Nothing to report.

f) Recycling – Burl Ingebretsen – Pumpkin Recycling will be November 1st to November 14th.

g) Streets – Burl Ingebretsen – Burl will look into the county getting some of the speed signs set up in different areas in town. The costs to purchase the speed signs looks to be from \$2,500.00 to \$4,500.00 if we would like to buy our own.

h) Zoning – Tom Berglind – Nothing to report.

18) Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:07PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Wendy Otte, City Clerk

Approved 11-15-16