

Minutes

December 19, 2017

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, Lloyd Helgeson and Drew Schwan.

b) Others present were Wendy Otte/Clerk and Mike Kurkowski.

2) The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

3) Previous Minutes

a) General Meeting – November 21, 2017

A MOTION was made by Adam Jenstead to approve the general meeting minutes for November 21, 2017. It was 2nd by Drew Schwan and the motion carried.

b) Special Meeting – December 5, 2017

A MOTION was made by Adam Jenstead to approve the special meeting minutes for December 5, 2017. It was 2nd by Lloyd Helgeson and the motion carried.

4) City Attorney – Zenas Baer

a) Hazardous Properties – Bob, Tom and Sid met with Zenas about the homes we are working on and things are moving forward.

b) Land Rent – The person interested in buying the building would like to move the LP tank and put a cement pad on the lot if he purchases the building. The tank belongs to the building owner and as for the cement pad, he would need to submit a drawing for approval if he decides to put it in.

c) Ordinance Enforcement – Zenas will contact the county again, they still have not gotten back to him.

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

6) Amendments to Agenda – none.

7) Citizens concerns – Drew heard talk of a chlorine smell in the water. We have not been contacted about it and no council members have noticed an odor.

8) Old Business

a) Building Inspection Services – Bob, Tom and Sid spoke about the contract at the meeting with Zenas, a few items need to be changed and we will look at it next month.

b) Cats – Mike had contacted a person in Barnesville on this and we have not heard back yet.

c) Clay County HRA – They would like to get a few more homes to sign up, but we are continuing to move forward with the program. Some people from the program will be at the February meeting.

9) New Business

a) Kitchen Hood System – Bob had Home Heating look at the hood and we do need to get it repaired. The cost for parts alone may be \$11,000.00. Adam knows someone who may be able to take care of it at a lower cost and will get a quote.

b) Chickens – Tom had a resident ask if they could have laying hens in the city. Fargo recently passed an ordinance on this subject and Tom will write up an ordinance for the city and we can look at adopting it in the near future.

A MOTION was made by Tom Berglind to recess the general meeting to hold the truth in taxation meeting. It was 2nd by Drew Schwan and the motion carried.

A MOTION was made by Tom Berglind to resume the general meeting. It was 2nd by Lloyd Helgeson and the motion carried.

10) Maintenance Department – Mike Kurkowski – Mike has been using his personal sander on the city streets and we are still waiting on a part to come in to fix the city sander. Mike has also been working odd hours lately, but will be back on a more regular schedule after the 25th.

11) Water/Sewer Department – Mike Kurkowski – .751 million gallons were pumped from the water plant this month and .862 million were pumped to the lagoons. We received a letter from the Department of Health we are in full compliance on the Aqua Hawk addition now. Mike has been adjusting the backwash cycle the past few months and is happy with where it is at now. We did not discharge this fall due to algae, but will be doing a discharge in the spring.

12) Treasurers Report – Looked over.

13) Receipts, Disbursements & Claims –

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

14) Water/Sewer/Garbage Bills & Past Dues – There are 6 to be shut off this month if payments aren't made by the 25th.

15) 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 & Rescue - Bob Dablow – The new Fire Truck should be here in January.

e) Parks – Adam Jenstead – There have been inquiries about a skating rink again, we will look into a rink for next year. Tom had a resident ask about flooding the pond for skating, but we do not want anyone skating on the pond, it would be a big liability for the city if anyone was injured.

f) Recycling – Drew Schwan – Mike still needs to seal the crack in the wall.

g) Streets – Tom Berglind – Mike has done a good job sanding.

h) Zoning – Tom Berglind – Nothing to report.

The City Council would like to thank the Sabin Lion's for the \$3,000.00 donation for Community Center Improvements we made in April.

16) Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:01pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Wendy Otte, City Clerk

Approved 1-16-18