

Minutes

September 17, 2019

General Meeting

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

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

b) Others Present were Wendy Otte/Clerk, Mike Kurkowski, Doug Smith, Kelan Boughton, Dan Lenertz and Dan Hanson.

2) The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

3) Previous Minutes

a) General Meeting – August 20, 2019

A MOTION was made by Tom Berglind to approve the general meeting minutes for August 20, 2019. It was 2nd by Lloyd Helgeson and the motion carried.

4) City Attorney – Zenas Baer

a) Hazardous Properties – Things are moving forward.

b) Ordinance Enforcement – Tom will try to get the ordinances to the county.

5) City Engineer – Dan Hanson – Mike got info on a grant we may qualify for to use for the clear well project, but we have to wait until October to apply. Dan will submit the paperwork for the grant for the City. We have not heard from the state in a long time on the wellhead protection plan, but Dan has spoke with them on it, they will be working on ours and granting us an extension. We received a violation letter from the MPCA noting late DMR's and TSS overages over the past few years as well as stating they did not receive our phosphorous management plan that was sent in last year. Mike resubmitted the plan today and Bob and Mike will work on a response to the other issues.

6) Amendments to Agenda – none.

7) Citizens Concerns – Kelan has issues with the crosswalk lighting not being noticeable to motorists and has contacted Dave Overbo a few times with no resolution, he would like the city to contact the county to see if we get a better response. The city has spent years working on the intersection trying to make it safer, but as it is a county intersection we do not have any control on signage. We did get them to install the crosswalk with the city paying half the cost for it. Bob will contact the county again.

8) Old Business

a) Kitchen Hood System – Costs look to be about \$16,400.00 for parts, \$22,000.00 for labor and \$5,500.00 for electrical. We have been working on this for over a year.

A MOTION was made by Bob Dablow to get started on this project. It was 2nd by Drew Schwan and the motion carried.

b) Small Cities Grant Items – Nothing new.

c) Comprehensive Plan Update – Nothing new.

9) New Business

10) Maintenance Department – Doug Smith – Not much going on.

11) Water/Sewer Department – Mike Kurkowski – There was low water again at the plant last weekend, but Mike did not get the alarm message. Bob did contact Mike and was able to get the plant running again. Mike contacted Sweeney Controls and they will be out on Thursday to see what the issue is with the dialer not sending out the alarms. The cause of the low water was due to the backwash the #2 filter tripped the plant and it needs to be reset in the plant when that happens. Without getting the alarm notice it took longer for the issue to get resolved. Hydrants will be flushed the week of September 30th to October 5th. Tom will ask the Fire District to winterize the hydrants after the flushing is completed. Mike said we do not need to add the antifreeze when winterizing the hydrants they just need to be pumped down.

12) Treasurers Report – Looked over.

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

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 7 to be shut off this month if payments aren't made by the 25th.

15) Commissioner Reports

a) **Health** – Adam Jenstead – Doug will spray again when the weather is right.

b) **Weeds** – Bob Dablow – Dave's Spray service did a great job at the ponds.

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

d) **Fire & Rescue** - Bob Dablow – No meeting since our last meeting.

e) **Parks** – Adam Jenstead – We aren't sure yet about the rink for this year, if it's like last year it won't be worth installing because of the high snow amounts, Doug spent many hours clearing snow off the rink last winter. The softball fields need agriline and new benches or bench repair would be nice.

f) **Recycling** – Lloyd Helgeson – Doing fine.

g) **Streets** – Tom Berglind – The road between the park and the church is in bad shape we believe it belongs to the church, but will look into what we can do.

h) **Zoning** – Tom Berglind – A few small permits have been issued. If you notice work being done check with Tom to make sure they have a permit, if work is being done without a permit they will be charged double.

16) Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:52pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Approved 10-15-19

Wendy Otte, City Clerk