

Minutes

December 15, 2020

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 all attended via Zoom.

b) Others Present were Wendy Otte/Clerk and Doug Smith. Mike Kurkowski, Toran Thornton and John Satrom all attended via Zoom.

We are meeting under the open meeting law adjustments.

Future meetings may be held under these parameters as long as the pandemic declarations are in effect.

2) The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

3) Previous Minutes

a) General Meeting – November 17, 2020

A MOTION was made by Tom Berglind to approve the general meeting minutes for November 17, 2020. It was 2nd by Adam Jenstead and the motion carried.

Drew Schwan - Aye

Lloyd Helgeson – Aye

Bob Dablow - Aye

b) Special Meeting – November 30, 2020

A MOTION was made by Drew Schwan to approve the special meeting minutes for November 30, 2020. It was 2nd by Tom Berglind and the motion carried.

Bob Dablow – Aye

Adam Jenstead – Abstained

Lloyd Helgeson - Abstained

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 – none.

8) Old Business

a) Savings Account or CD's – John Satrom, President of Northwestern Bank wanted to discuss opening a savings account or CD's with the council as any amount over \$250,000.00 in our checking account requires the bank to pledge extra securities. If we open a savings account the money would be covered by FDIC. The council will discuss this again in the future.

b) Land Rent – Nothing new.

c) Web Site Update – Tom will contact John about switching to the new web site and he will also get us set up with a new email host.

d) Small Cities Grant Items – Work is continuing and there is still room for 1 more

home.

e) **Wellhead Protection Plan** – Nothing new.

f) **4 3rd St N** – Nothing new.

9) **New Business**

10) Maintenance Department – Doug Smith – The skating rink has been set up and the Fire District is working on filling it up.

11) Water/Sewer Department – Mike Kurkowski – A resident contacted Mike on December 8th about white residue and a chlorine smell. Mike adjusted the chemicals in the plant and both issues should be taken care of. We were contacted by the state that one home had high lead in the samples taken during the sampling period. Due to the high lead in the sample from that one home we were required by the state to send out a pamphlet to every home about lead in the water. Mike contacted Dan about drawing up plans to add a corrosion control chemical to the plant. The waste water ponds are looking great.

a) **DMR report** –

A MOTION was made by Drew Schwan to recess the General Meeting and open the Truth in Taxation Meeting at 7:36PM. It was 2nd by Adam Jenstead and the motion carried.

Lloyd Helgeson – Aye

Tom Berglind – Aye

Bob Dablow - Aye

A MOTION was made by Adam Jenstead to adjourn the Truth in Taxation Meeting and resume the General Meeting at 7:45PM. It was 2nd by Drew Schwan and the motion carried.

Lloyd Helgeson – Aye

Bob Dablow – Aye

Tom Berglind - Aye

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 Lloyd Helgeson and the motion carried.

Adam Jenstead – Aye

Drew Schwan – Aye

Bob Dablow - Aye

14) Water/Sewer/Garbage Bills & Past Dues – We will not be doing any shut offs this month.

15) **Commissioner Reports**

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

b) **Weeds** – Bob Dablow – The weed report for clay county has been completed.

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

d) **Fire & Rescue** - Bob Dablow – The LUCAS machine is in and the Fire District members have been training on using it. The ISO rating is up from 5 to 4.

e) **Parks** – Adam Jenstead – Thank you to Doug and the Fire District for getting the skating rink ready. Adam will work with Fitzgerald's on keeping a path to the rink open.

f) Recycling – Lloyd Helgeson – All is well.

g) Streets – Tom Berglind – The county denied our request to spend our wheelage money on the sander. Tom will try again to get it covered.

h) Zoning – Tom Berglind – Nothing to report.

Bob thanked Lloyd for his time on the city council and made up a certificate for him.

16) Adjournment

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

Drew Schwan – Aye

Adam Jenstead – Aye

Bob Dablow – Aye

The meeting adjourned at 8:06PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Wendy Otte, City Clerk

Approved 1-19-2021