

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

AUGUST 17, 2020

The Mayor Rock Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was stated by all present. Roll call was taken, and all members of the City Council were present. The minutes from the previous meetings were presented. Travis Wood made the motion to approve the minutes from the August 3rd meeting. Dick Cleland seconds the motion. The motion was approved. The minutes from the August 10th meeting were presented to the City Council. Rob Lessen made the motion to accept the minutes. Ken Harryman seconds the motion. The motion was approved. The Mayor presented the evenings agenda. Under Unfinished Business item, G) Economic Development was added. Under New Business item, I) Opening City Hall was added. Travis Wood made the motion to accept the revised agenda. Ken Harryman seconds the motion. The motion was approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2021 BUDGET

Mayor Rock Anderson opened the Public Hearing for comment. Rob Lessen made the motion to accept the 2021 Budget as proposed. Travis Wood seconds the motion. The motion was approved by City Council. Rob Lessen made the motion to publish the final draft (which was not required) Dick Cleland seconds the motion. The motion was approved.

CITY ATTORNEY APPLICATIONS

Rock Anderson stated that the City received one application for the open position. Dick Cleland made the motion to hold a Special Meeting to interview Tom Hays August 24th at 7:00 p.m. Travis Wood seconds the motion. The motion was approved.

COPLIN PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUED

Rock Anderson reported that Mr. Coplin does not care what happens to the pod that is located to the rear of the property. The property is currently up for sale. Mary Lou Peace made the motion to continue the Public Hearing. Travis Wood seconds the motion. The motion was approved.

WATER/WASTEWATER APPLICATIONS

Rock Anderson stated that there were five applications for the open position. Rob Lessen made the motion to move discussion to the end of the meeting. Ken Harryman seconds the motion. The motion was approved.

USE OF THE CITY BALL FIELDS

Barbie Wicker had requested to use the 3 fields September 26th for a ball tournament. Rob Lessen made the motion to allow the use of the 3 fields with all CDC regulations in place. Dick Cleland seconds the motion. The motion was approved.

4-WAY STOP ON E. PERRY ST; SHAWN MCGREGOR

Shawn McGregor was unable to attend the meeting so Mary Lou Peace, Shawn's mom represented his interest. Mary Lou first read aloud all of Shawn's emails to the different City Officials and Offices to update the City Council. City Clerk Bette Lessen addressed the City Council on what the City may have on record and that this information can be distributed to each member for the next regular meeting. Travis Wood made the motion to table this issue until the next regular meeting. Dick Cleland seconds the motion. The motion was approved.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; LESSA RHODES

Lessa Rhodes was present to update the City Council on the Crawford County United committee that she is a member of. Lessa stated that the City of Arma should have a logo for the Committee and she had spoke with Tommy Scotten who had sent her 3 proposals which Lessa shared with the City Council. Travis Wood made the motion to approve Option 1. Dick Cleland seconds the motion. The motion was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

CHRIS WILSON; TRAINING OPTION

Assistant Chief of Police Chris Wilson presented a training program to the City Council that would allow up to 12 officers to receive yearly training from the Police Department. The cost for the first year is \$716.00 then the 2nd and following years would be \$616.00. Mary Lou Peace made the motion to allow the department this yearly training through Lexipol. Travis Wood seconds the motion. The motion was approved.

STREET PAVING; JOHN GORENTZ

City Supervisor John Gorentz presented a street map for this year paving project. Total cost is \$51,600.00 on materials. Dick Cleland made the motion to approve. Ken Harryman seconds the motion. The motion was approved.

John then reported on the South Water Tower standpipe that has been shot and has 5 holes leaking water. This issue has been addressed to our Insurance Company. Travis Wood made the motion to accept Option 1 that John presented for \$17,980.00. Dick Cleland seconds the motion. The motion was approved.

John reported that the concrete guys working on the Electric Substation will begin this Wednesday and there is funding for the utility changes on Barbieri Street. The City crew has been working on a sewer line problem near Bruce Bedene's house.

WAYNE RONNING; BRUSH/LIMB PICKUP

Mr. Ronning was present to address the issue of his cut limbs and brush that have not been picked up. Mr. Ronning stated that he was using equipment that belonged to Jerry Poole who was in the business of limb trimming but has since retired. Dick Cleland told Mr. Ronning that the City would get the limbs and brush picked up this week.

ECONOMIC CONFERENCE: ROB LESSEN

Rob Lessen stated that he had signed up for the PSU Economic Conference this fall. Travis Wood made the motion to reimburse Rob. Dick Cleland seconds the motion. Motion passed with Rob abstaining from the vote.

CITY MEETING SEPTEMBER 7TH

Dick Cleland made the motion to change the date of the meeting due to Labor Day to Tuesday September 8th at 6:30 p.m. Ken Harryman second the motion. The motion was approved.

UTILITY BILL UPDATE; VANESSA KENT

Assistant City Clerk Vanessa Kent was present to report on the current standing of the new utility cards. These cards are performing poorly, and Vanessa has been working with Todd the Postmaster to try and remedy the problem. Vanessa will update the City Council at the first meeting in September.

OPENING CITY HALL

Mary Lou Peace presented a Sneeze Guard Shield to the City Council so City Hall can be reopened to the public. Dick Cleland made the motion to open City Hall with the two Sneeze Guard Shield's and to have the CDC Regulations followed, this purchase can not exceed \$200.00. Mary Lou Peace seconds the motion. The motion was approved.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Mike McLeod was not present. Rob Lessen a board member stated that the last meeting they discussed a signal light at the Highway.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Rock Anderson reported on the previous Bone Creek meeting and the current Burnout that is in progress.

COMMUNICATIONS

No communications

PURCHASE REQUEST

No purchase request submitted

Travis Wood made the motion to go into executive session on Non-Elected Personnel Matters with the City Council only for 10 minutes. Dick Cleland seconds the motion. The motion was approved. 7:50 p.m.

Travis Wood made the motion to go back into Regular Session at 8:00 p.m. Dick Cleland seconds the motion. The motion was approved at 8:00 p.m.

Mary Lou Peace made the motion to delay the hiring of a water/wastewater position. Dick Cleland seconds the motion. The motion was approved.

Rob Lessen made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Ken Harryman seconds the motion. The motion was approved.

Bette Lessen, City Clerk