

# **REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING**

## **FEBRUARY 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2021**

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 except Dickie Cleland were present. The minutes from the previous meeting were presented to the City Council. Rob Lessen made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Ken Harryman seconds the motion. The motion was approved. The Mayor presented the evenings agenda. Travis Wood made the motion to accept the agenda as presented. Rob Lessen seconds the motion. The motion was approved.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **WATER/WASTEWATER CONTRACT**

Mayor Anderson presented the contract from KDHE that will need to be signed and sent back. Rock also stated that Gary Taylor will be at City Hall on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Rock also stated that Gary prefers a month-to-month contract, this way it works out well for both the City and him. Mary Lou Peace brought up the name of Michael Brown who lives in Pittsburg and does contracting also. Mary Lou said that hiring him would save the City money. Travis Wood and Rob Lessen were both in favor of following through as decided at the last meeting with Gary Taylor. Travis Wood made the motion to approve the contract of intent with Gary Taylor. Rob Lessen seconds the motion (subject to a formal master service agreement based upon the terms.) Motion approved.

Mary Lou Peace then made the motion to have the Mayor speak with Michael Brown about the contractor position. Ken Harryman seconds the motion. The motion was approved.

#### **PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

Bette Lessen stated that she would send out copy to all Council members of the people who applied for the position.

#### **CHRIS WILSON UPDATE**

Chris Wilson reported to the City Council about the decals for the truck as well as the ad for the new police officer. Also, Chris reported on the internet issue at the City Park and that CDL representative was here the past Tuesday. Chris stated that one of the problems in the office is old computer equipment and the monitors need to be replaced. Chris presented a quote from JKKD Computers for \$4,065.67. Rob Lessen made the motion to approve the quote. Mary Lou Peace seconds the motion. The motion was approved. Chris also brought up the need to replace the SUV and that he has been getting prices which appears to be \$28,000.00 approximately.

### **LIABILITY INSURANCE**

Mary Lou Peace brought up overseeing the Liability Insurance bids along with the Health Insurance quotes. Mayor asked if anyone had an issue with this request? No comments were made.

### **SANDPILE ENCLOSURE**

Mary Lou Peace handed out paperwork that had been submitted to the City Council last April on an enclosure for the sandpile. Rob Lessen made the motion to have the City Employees get current pricing. Travis Wood seconds the motion. The motion was approved.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **MAYOR'S DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES**

Mary Lou Peace who had this topic placed on the agenda said that we could skip this and do it another night.

#### **SOUTHWEST POWER POOL**

Mayor Anderson addressed the issue of possible outages and communicating this issue with the City residents. Carma Burns brought up NIXLE Communications that the County uses to inform folks who have sign up what issues might be of a concern and this helps them keep up with alerts. Carma stated that she would send this information to Bette Lessen.

#### **FIRE CHIEF**

Not present.

#### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Mary Lou Peace brought up the publication of this year's Land Bank hearing. Tom Hayes will investigate this matter and report back.

Ken Harryman thanked the City guys for all the snow removal on the City streets they have done.

Rob Lessen and Travis Wood agreed with Ken.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

None to present.

#### **PURCHASE REQUEST**

None to present.

Rob Lessen made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m. Ken Harryman seconds the motion.

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*Bette Lessen, City Clerk*