

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- SEPTEMBER 17, 2018

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Erickson. The following Council members were present: Nistler, Heitman, Schoenfelder, Carr, Karst, and Ozark. Those also present were City Clerk Amundson, DPW Kompel, Police Chief Gault, and Fire Chief Brunelle. Adam Hooper was also in attendance. The media was represented by AJ Etherington from the Courier.

Mayor Erickson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment on any agenda item: NONE

Council member Schoenfelder made a motion approving the consent agenda including, the payment of claims for September 17, 2018 in the amount of \$92,899.33, the Valley Court Apartment Claims in the amount of \$230.69, and the minutes of the September 4 2018 Regular Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman, and carried unanimously.

Council member Schoenfelder made a motion approving the updated job description for the Water Department Supervisor. The motion was seconded by Council member Ozark. DPW Kompel mentioned the changes are numbers 25-31 addressing the supervisory duties for the foreman. Motion carried.

DPW Kompel told the council that the Zoning Commission met on September 5, 2018 to address the zoning and annexation of the Glasgow Wrestling Club. The Zoning Commission reviewed questions 1-12 on page 168.2 that deals directly with the alteration or addition of a zoning district boundary, all of the questions were individually addressed, discussed, and voted on by the Zoning Commission members and are recommending that the City Council approves the annexation of the property and assigning a "C" Commercial District zoning to the Glasgow Wrestling Club property. Council member Karst made a motion approving the annexation of the Glasgow Wrestling Club property and assigning a "C" commercial district to the property. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, and carried unanimously.

Council member Nistler reported on the Cemetery Committee Meeting. Danny had given those in attendance a tour of things being accomplished at the Cemetery. A wage increase was also discussed since he's been with the city for 25 years. With a wage increase, the cost of burials could increase to offset the increase. Doug moved to table a recommendation on a wage increase until he is able to research what other cities and towns charge along with what their caretaker makes.

Mayor Erickson asked City Clerk Amundson to explain the spreadsheets for the proposed Street Maintenance increase. The examples given were a 2%, 5%, 7.5%, 10%, and 15% increase. In the last 10 years a 15% increase was done in 2013 & 2017. At that time it was decided to transfer the additional increase into a Capital Projects Street Maintenance Fund to assist with street repairs. The second sheet shows what the starting cash is as of July 1, 2018, the revenues the increases would bring in, the proposed expenditures, the transfer into Capital Projects (which this year ½ will go towards saving for large equipment purchases & ½ into capital projects street maintenance) and the remaining cash balance if the entire budget is expended. There were also two spreadsheets, one for commercial and one for residential that shows proposed increase effects on different sizes of lots. So for example if the lot is 7,000 square feet the current cost for residential is \$89.36 and with a 2% increase it would go to \$91.14. Some of the thoughts from the council were a 7.5%, 5%, and a gradual 2% over a few years. After more discussion the majority of the council agreed on a 5% increase this year. Council member Ozark made a motion to increase the street maintenance assessment 5% for fiscal year 2018-2019, the motion was seconded by Council member Nistler. Motion passed, with Council member Carr voting against.

Unfinished Business:

-Levee Safety Committee Report – DPW Kompel stated that Jaycee has been working on the Levee and as of right now, there is no information on when the inspection will be.

- Update on GNDC noncompetitive grant – None

Committee Reports: There were no reports for Personnel, Water, Cemetery, or Grant. The Ordinance Committee met and reviewed the revised delivery of medical marijuana ordinance, they inquired on where the 5-mile jurisdiction ordinance is at; we reviewed in-home businesses and business that own a separate home to do business and a conditional use permit, and fines to contractors who don't pull a building permit before construction starts. Mayor Erickson would also like to establish an insurance committee with a member from the street department, water department, police department, city office, recreation department, and Council member Schoenfelder offered to sit on that committee.

Department Head Reports:

Mayor Erickson stated there is a meeting with the Commissioners on Wednesday at 10:00 am if anyone wants to attend.

Fire Chief Brunelle told the council that the FEMA grant was denied and things have been pretty quiet.

Captain Gault said that Officer Fischer will be the police department's representative on the insurance committee, since he's already met with Jeff Cole about insurance.

DPW Kompel mentioned there's been an increase in building permits, the open water department position closed last Friday, he is working on his department head's staff appraisals, the bid opening for the Transmission Line Repair and Water Systems Upgrade Project will happen this Thursday at 2:00 and 3:00 p.m.

City Clerk Amundson stated that another budget meeting should be set up for the week of the 8th to review any and all changes to the budgets. Thursday the 11th at 5:30 p.m. was the date that was set.

Public Comment: NONE

Council member Schoenfelder made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, the meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

ATTEST:

Stacey A. Amundson
City Clerk-Treasurer

Rebecca Erickson
Mayor