

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- AUGUST 5, 2019

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Erickson. The following Council members were present: Heitman, Karst and Ozark, Carr, and Nistler. Council member Schoenfelder was absent. Those also present were Utility Clerk Doke, DPW Kompel, Officer Weber, Officer Edwards, Chief Gault, Kathy Granger, Tasha Morehouse-Mix, Foreman Runningen, and City Attorney Sullivan. There was no media representation.

Mayor Erickson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment on any agenda item: NONE

Council member Nistler made a motion approving the consent agenda including, the payment of claims for August 5, 2019 in the amount of \$126,510.08, the Valley Court Apartment Claims in the amount of \$299.63, and the minutes of the July 15, 2019, Regular Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, and carried unanimously.

Council member Carr made the motion to approve Kathy Granger of the GPD working remotely as she is moving to St. Louis to be closer to family around September 20th or later. Chief Gault explained that if she has to fly back for anything she is willing to pay for the travel out of her own pocket. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman and carried unanimously.

Council member Karst made the motion to approve payment to Bishop, Inc. for \$120, 270.99 for the Levee Improvements Project. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman and carried unanimously.

Council member Nistler made the motion to open the position for a water operator. The motion was seconded by Council member Karst and carried unanimously.

Council member Carr made the motion to award the 2019 concrete improvements bid to Century, Inc in the amount of \$95,390.00. The motion was seconded by council member Nistler. Council members Ozark and Heitman both abstained from the vote, and it was carried unanimously by the rest of Council.

DPW Kompel explained that he would mail the homeowners that submitted for the concrete improvements project this week and notify them what the costs would be and give them approximately two weeks to respond. Depending on how many will still participate in the program the costs could go down.

Unfinished Business:

- Levee Safety Committee Report – DPW Kompel and Mayor Erickson reported they had met with a rep from the Tim Fox campaign and told him about the levee issues we're facing.
- Update on GNDC noncompetitive grant – NONE

Committee Reports: There were no reports for Water, Cemetery, or Insurance.
PERSONNEL: City Attorney Sullivan was asked to put vaping and tobacco into the personnel policy manuals by Mayor Erickson and Council member Karst; she said she will address that.
GRANT: Kathy Granger reported that they will be getting \$438,000.00 for the VOCA grant and that combined with what is left over from last year it will equal the amount they were originally hoping to get.

ORDINANCE: Attorney Sullivan stated she has worked on ordinances for container houses and daycares.

Department Head Reports:

Streets – Foreman Runningen stated that the durapatching is done and they are concentrating on street sweeping. They will be getting some more oil then will durapatch next week again. He stated they are still under water restrictions for watering parks. Council member Karst mentioned the pot holes up on the road by the high school, Foreman Runningen said they will check them out and get them patched.

GPD - Chief Gault stated that the Fair was last week; the GPD was helping the VCSO with the fair. There were complaints about the GPD hanging out at the beer gardens; Chief Gault explained he had addressed the issues. He stated there was a plane crash with two fatalities that Officer Weber had checked out in case it was Stat Air, which it was not. Officer Weber is

meeting with AJ at the Courier to do a PSA on what they're doing and why they are doing it. Chief Gault stated that one Patrol car is done and the other two are almost ready.

Public Works – DPW Kompel stated he has been updating the Nemont Franchise agreement as they are doing more work. He also stated that he has been updating the O&M Manual for the levee. He also stated he was approached by a resident on Jet Drive that would like to purchase part of the land behind their home that is Park land. Council Members, Schoenfelder, Ozark, Carr and DPW Kompel were appointed by Mayor Erickson to look into that. Council member Karst asked DPW Kompel about Ann Kulczyk trying to get in touch with him about the RFP for the new pool, he stated that he would reach out to her this week.

Attorney – NONE

Billing Clerk Doke – NONE

Mayor Report – Mayor Erickson reported she was meeting with Glenn Miller to get the sprinklers going at Valley Court. She stated that her, Rec Director Casterline and Council member Karst are meeting on Friday to go over the job description to finalize what it will be for the new position, that is not being funded by tax payer monies, it is federally subsidized.

Public Comment: NONE

Council member Carr made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Nistler, carried unanimously the meeting adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

ATTEST:

Alicia Doke
Utility Billing Clerk

Rebecca Erickson
Mayor