

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- FEBRUARY 16, 2016

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Council President Karst. The following Council members were present: Ozark, Carr, Schoenfelder, Sorensen, and Heitman. Those also present were City Clerk Amundson, Street Foreman Krause, Police Chief Barstad, Fire Chief Brunelle, and City Attorney Helland. Officer Edwards and Robert Brunelle were also in attendance. The media was represented by James Walling of the Glasgow Courier.

Council member Schoenfelder led the pledge of allegiance.

Public Comment on any agenda item: NONE

Council member Sorensen made a motion approving the consent agenda including, the payment of claims for February 16, 2016 in the total amount of \$70,803.79 and the minutes of the February 1, 2016, Regular Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, and carried unanimously.

Fire Chief Brunelle told the council that he talked with the other members on the fire department about different options the council wanted. Brandon was contacted from a broker out of Pennsylvania on a used 1997 Fire Truck that they have for sale in the amount of \$150,000.00. Brandon had found another truck that was 3 years newer with the same amount of miles and hours on it for \$350,000.00. It is estimated to cost around \$15,000 to \$20,000 to get the truck back to Glasgow, which that money could be raised through a fundraiser if the council wishes to move forward. Brandon said he would like to go and look at it and take a truck mechanic along with him, but in the meantime keep moving forward. The council can always decide not to purchase if it turns out not to be the truck for the fire department. Brandon also stated this truck would fit all of the departments needs. Council member Ozark wanted to know what the department would do with the 1988 Fire truck we currently have. Brandon's suggestion would be to put it out for bid and sell it to the highest bidder.

Council member Ozark made a motion to proceed forward with the publication to acquire the used fire truck from Wernersville, PA. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr; Council member Heitman abstained, motion carried.

Council member Sorensen made a motion appointing Drew Markle to the City Planning Board for a two (2) term effective February 17, 2016. The motion was seconded by Council member Schoenfelder and carried unanimously.

The approval of Highway 2 Association dues in the amount of \$100.00 died due to lack of motion.

Council member Schoenfelder made a motion to open the vacant street laborer position. The motion was seconded by Council member Sorensen, and carried unanimously.

Old Business:

-Levee Safety Committee Report –The next Levee Meeting will be on February 23rd at 2:00 p.m. at the Weather Service.

- Update on GNDC noncompetitive grant – City Clerk Amundson stated that she has started on the Environmental Assessment for the application.

-Renovations on the T-33 Airplane – No Report

-Valley Court Apartments Acquisition Update – City Clerk Amundson said there are a few signatures that need to be acquired; then it can be sent to USDA Rural Development.

Committee Reports: There were no reports on Personnel or Grant Committee. The water committee updated the council on the discussion of the water and sewer rate increases, it was initially approved for a 2% increase, but that was only figured on the ¾” meters and didn't include the larger commercial meters. Another water committee meeting will be set in the near future. Council member Karst updated the council on the Cemetery Committee Meeting that was held on February 15th. Some housekeeping issues were

discussed and they are going to meet with DPW Kompel and they discussed the abundance of memorabilia at the cemetery. The ordinance committee meeting has been changed from February 25th to February 29th at 5:30 p.m.

Department Head Reports:

Police Chief Barstad mentioned he has been reviewing the applications for the open officer position. Officer Edwards said the training that was held on February 11th from 10:00 am to 4:00 p.m. at the Valley Event Center went extremely well.

Street Foreman Krause said his department is working on clearing some of the ice off of the roads.

City Attorney Helland said that he is meeting with DPW Kompel on Friday's and it works out great.

Council member Karst commented on tax payer dollars being spent on flowers for funerals or for administrative professionals' day. He believes the council should be paying for things like these. The council would like to know how this could be done; City Clerk Amundson will look into it and report back at the next meeting.

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 6:00p.m.

ATTEST:

Stacey A. Amundson
City Clerk -Treasurer

Rebecca Erickson
Mayor