

Council Meeting

09/06/2022

Minutes taken by Autumn Shreve, City Clerk

Meeting: Time: 7:00 pm Presiding officer: Mayor John Ryan

Council present: Shreve, Moore, Sitz, Lister, Seals

Atty Vignery: Absent

Employees: D. Bretsynder, S. Seals, A. Shreve

Visitors: per registry

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order @ 7:00pm by Mayor John Ryan.

Reading of Minutes

The minutes for the council meeting on 08/15/2022 were read for council approval.

☞ Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Lister to accept minutes with correction, motion carried.

RHID-Ross Vogel and Jeremiah Johnson

Jeremiah from Alcove Development updated the council on the project at Tucker Subdivision.

He stated that with this project they are looking at building up to 40 houses. They are looking at 3 Bedroom, 2 bathroom with a 2-car garage and about 1400-1500 square feet depending on the lot size. The layout of the houses is not set yet.

Ross Vogel informed the council of the process currently happening for the RHID and the MIH grant. There were questions on the approval from the school district and the county. Ross stated that there would be an income restriction for the MIH houses but that would not be on all of the houses, just a few.

- Motion to adopt Resolution 17 for the Rural Housing Incentive Development by Shreve, 2nd by Lister, Motion carried.

Sidewalk project:

Mayor Ryan updated the council on the sidewalk project and advised the council that Pat Cox would not be present but either he or one of his partners would be at the next council meeting. There was discussion on the project and the request of flexibility of timeline for the sidewalk project to be completed.

150th Celebration

Chad mentioned Kelli was under the weather and requested if maintenance can have the generator available for the bands and mentioned the road closures. There was discussion on the time line for vendors to set up and the parade.

The clerk brought the question of the city doing an ad for the full back page of the insert that Dan Rukes is working on for the paper for the 150th celebration. The cost would be \$400.

- Motion for the city to do an ad for the 150th insert with new art work for \$400 by Shreve, 2nd by Sitz, Motion carried.

An ad for the 2022 Farm insert was presented to the council for approval.

- Motion to approve the fair ad by Seals, 2nd by Shreve, motion carried.

Pat Barr's Water Bill

Pat Barr was present to request an explanation on why her water bill was so high. There was discussion on the previous few months and if the read were estimates or actual. The council agreed it looked like her water bill was just catching up.

Brandon Lester water bill

Advised the council of the situation with the meter at Brandon Lester's property. Council stated that if he need help paying his bill, he will need to come to the next council meeting to request a payment arrangement. The council can not make a decision until the meter has been tested and the results are back.

Library

The council reviewed the request for Brooke Reynolds to join the library board. There was discussion on who left and a discussion on the timeframe for board members.

- Motion to accept Brooke Reynold's request to join the library board for the unexpired term of Chris Aspergren by Lister, 2nd by Shreve, motion carried.

Heather was present to report for the library.

Heather updated the council on the performance and visit for the current year versus the previous year. There was a large donation of large print books from another library which saved the library quite a bit of money (\$40 each book, 500 books donated). There was an update on the events coming up at the library.

There was discussion on the solar equipment and the grant that Heather used for it. She stated that she was required to purchase out door equipment.

Heather advised the council of a electronic federal grant that she had applied for and was granted. She was awarded 200 electronic devices and was approved to offer the council use of the devices for council meeting and city work while in office. Council will think about it.

Police

Chief Seals reported for the police department.

Shannon advised the council that the previous training for Kreshel and Garner was cancelled but that they did find a free equivalent training in its place.

There was information provided to the council for mounts for the police vehicles. Shannon advised the council that she would like to hold off on getting the mount for the Tahoe as she feels that it is on its last leg. The council was advised that the program with the county will not be up and running until the first of the year. The officers will have a class with the Sheriff's department.

There was discussion on the mounts and the problems with the other mount ordered through amazon.

- Motion to spend \$600 plus shipping for laptop mounts for the Explorer and Durango by Sitz, 2nd by Shreve, motion carried.

There was discussion on the mutual aid with other towns, the mayor stated it's a good idea for building relationships among the towns.

Maintenance

Dustin was present for maintenance.

Dustin updated the council on time frame for the street work.

He advised the council that they are currently working on deep cleaning the plant.

There is currently no word back on the 2001 Maintenance truck.

Dustin advised that there are new motion sensors in the bathrooms at the park. There was a question on the broken block and if they were cover, Dustin advised that they are covered with wood. Bids are needed for placement of cement blocks in place of glass blocks.

Bruce Overturf complemented the maintenance department on all they have been doing.

Other Departments

Jayhawk quote for software update for new Neptune AMR meters was presented to the council.

- Motion to accept the quote from Jayhawk software by Shreve, 2nd by Seals, motion carried.

Ordinance 534-2022 for update of the price for Temporary/ Special Event Cereal Malt Beverage Permit was presented to the council to approve. The state set a limit for the fees that a city can charge for a temporary permit.

- Motion to adopt ordinance 534-2022 by Lister, 2nd by Shreve, motion carried.

New Business

Larry Volland:

Larry was present to ask the council about digging a ditch on the easement. There was discussion on the easement and the current ditches on W. Main St. There is concern if he digs a ditch across the land the current ditches along W. Main St will not be able to handle the water as it already cannot. It was stated that it sounds like some of the culverts might be plugged or incorrectly sized. The mayor will speak with maintenance on this.

Dawn Sitz/Elliot Insurance

Dawn informed the council that she was approach by Maria Dressman about doing a free audit of our insurance policy to see if we are getting what we should or if we are paying too much.

The mayor stated that we could do this but currently the clerk is in the middle of the RHID and housing grant.

There was a question brought to the council about the mileage as the state and federal are currently different.

- Motion by Lister for the city to always use the GSA rate, 2nd by Seals, motion carried.

There was discussion on a couple of the bills and the fraud status of the credit card.

- Motion to approve all paid bills by Sitz, 2nd by Lister, motion carried.
- Motion to adjourn at 9:26pm by Sitz, 2nd by Seals, Motion carried.