

City of Effie

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January 9, 2017
7:00pm

Regular Effie City Council meeting held at the Effie Community Center Building

Members in Attendance - Mayor Mark Krickhahn, Councilwoman JoAnn Krickhahn, Councilwoman Lillian Longtine, and Councilman Timothy Grady.

Members Absent – Councilman Bob Cassibo

Also Present - Tom LaMont

Oath of Office – The following City Officials were sworn in before the meeting on January 9, 2017.

Mayor Mark Krickhahn
Councilwoman JoAnn Krickhahn
Councilman Timothy Grady

Call to Order

Mayor Mark Krickhahn called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone stood and recited The Pledge of Allegiance

Public Forum

The public forum was closed as no one from the community wished to speak.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Lillian Longtine, seconded by Timothy Grady to approve the agenda. MCU

Approval of the December 12, 2016 Minutes

Motion by Timothy Grady, seconded by JoAnn to approve the December 12, 2016 minutes as written. MCU

Resolution 2017-01 Resolution designating yearly appointments for 2017

1. Official depository – *First State Bank of Bigfork*
2. Official Newspaper – *Western Itasca Review*
3. Appoint *Timothy Grady* as acting Mayor
4. Appoint *Mark Krickhahn* as Joint Powers Board Representative and *Timothy Grady* as the alternate.
5. Appoint *JoAnn Krickhahn* as Highway 38 Leadership Board Representative and *Lillian Longtine* as the alternate.
6. Appoint *Bob Cassibo* as Assistant Weed Inspector.
7. City Attorney *John Licke*
8. All City Council Meetings will be the second Monday of every month at 7:00pm at the Effie Community Center Building.
9. If any legal holidays with the exception of Columbus Day land on a meeting night, it will be rescheduled to the third Monday of the month.

Ayes: 3

Nays: 0

Motion passed today January 9, 2017 with a unanimous vote. MCU

Vern Hawkinson's wastewater contract

Motion by JoAnn Krickhahn, seconded by Lillian Longtine to approve renewing the contract with Vern Hawkinson. MCU

Sewer Repairs

Vern Hawkinson gave the city his recommendations for sewer repairs. It was discussed that some are necessary replacement parts and some are looking ahead at long term replacement needs.

Updated Bank Account Documents

Motion by JoAnn Krickhahn, seconded by Lillian Longtine to have Mayor Mark Krickhahn and Councilman Timothy Grady listed on the First State Bank of Bigfork documents to sign checks and any needed bank documents. MCU

Council Member / Mayor Duties

Mayor Krickhahn had a couple of handouts for the Council regarding what is expected from the Mayor as well as what is expected from the Council.

Meeting Schedule

A schedule of monthly meeting dates was handed out by Mayor Krickhahn. It was asked that if anyone can't make it to a meeting to notify the Mayor at the meeting prior to the absence or as soon as possible before the next meeting to make sure we have enough members for a quorum.

Meeting Packet Distribution

It was discussed and decided that the clerk will distribute the meeting packets by email the Thursday before the meeting. For those that don't have email Mayor Krickhahn will deliver or make it available to them.

Motion by Timothy Grady, seconded by JoAnn Krickhahn to approve having the packet distributed the Thursday before the meeting. MCU

The Source

Mayor Krickhahn brought in The Source magazine. The information included for the City of Effie was incomplete and incorrect. Councilwoman Krickhahn called and spoke with the company and we are going to get them correct information for the next publication.

Telephone

Council discussed adding call forwarding to the Cities phone line. It cost \$2.50 per month and if approved will ring at the Mayor's home office. That way during regular business hours someone will be available to answer the phone.

Motion by Timothy Grady, seconded by Lillian Longtine to approve adding call forwarding for \$2.50 to the phone line. MCU

Long Range Plan

Mayor Krickhahn asked The Council to brainstorm and bring back any ideas they have for The City to the next meeting.

Off Sale Liquor License Renewal for Effie Country Service

Motion by Lillian Longtine, seconded by Timothy Grady to approve the renewal license. MCU

Old Business

Time Card Procedures

Council discussed the sewer operator Joe Zimmer turning in his time cards for hours worked at the sewer plant. Mayor Krickhahn is going to talk to Joe about turning these in each month.

Ball Teams Payment for 2016

The ball teams didn't turn in a check for the 2016 summer softball season.

Community Building Rental Agreement

It was discussed by Council who is required to pay a fee to rent the Effie Community Building. The American Legion and the Women's Auxiliary have always been able to use the facility for free. However, it was discussed by the Council that family members of these organizations will have to pay the rental fee.

It was also discussed that there is an unknown number of keys to the Community Building out there and that an idea of new locks was entertained. Councilman Timothy Grady is going to call about having the doors re-keyed.

Renting VS Purchasing Ball Park Dumpster

It was discussed that the monthly rental fee is about \$20 and the cost to purchase the dumpster is around \$300. Councilman Timothy Grady discussed taking the barrels out of the park to keep all the trash in one central location.

Motion by Mayor Mark Krickhahn, seconded by Lillian Longtine to table the dumpster to a later date. MCU

Workers Compensation with SFM

The switch to SFM from Berkley Risk Management was discussed. Payment for the new policy is included in the bills.

Certificate of Final Levy for 2017

The final property tax levy for 2017 is \$35,000

Payroll and Claims

Payroll for the month of January 2017

\$1,060.00

Mayor and Council Pay from December 12, 2016

\$2,540.00

Claims for the month of January 2017

\$1,561.93

***With the addition of the following bills: Bigfork Fire Department \$561.71, RMB \$82.00, Gopher State One Call \$6.35, and the electric bill once it is received.

Full listing of claims can be viewed upon request.

Motion by Timothy Grady, seconded by JoAnn to approve the bills and payroll as listed. MCU

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Next regular monthly Council meeting is scheduled for February 13, 2017

Jennifer Knott

City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved at the regular meeting on February 13, 2017
