

City Of Effie
City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
100 SW STATE HWY 38 – COMMUNITY BUILDING
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October 8, 2018
6:00 pm

Members Present - Mayor Mark Krickhahn; Councilors – Tim Grady, Lillian Longtine and JoAnn Krickhahn; City Clerk/Treasurer Carolyn Schmit

Members Absent – Councilor Bob Cassibo

Also Present –Becky Passeri, Tom Lamont, Jessica Graham, Nate Kern, Kristi Jensen, Bob Reese and Greta Drewlow

Mayor Mark Krickhahn called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the public forum was opened. A letter addressed to the council from Concerned Residents of Effie was read aloud. As no one wished to speak, the public forum was closed.

Motion to approve the agenda with addition of a Zoning discussion and review of Quality Control Quote by J Krickhahn, seconded by Grady. MCU

Motion to approve the minutes of the September 10th regular City Council meeting by Grady, seconded by J Krickhahn. MCU

Meeting Updates/Reports

Councilor J Krickhahn shared that the Bigfork Valley Hospital district will see an increase in taxes with a proposed tax levy.

Councilor Grady shared that he was presenting the inspection report from LMC, to be discussed in detail later in the agenda.

Clerk Schmit informed the council that LMC will be paying the claim for equipment that was struck by lightning, we don't have the exact amount yet. Clerk Schmit also expressed concern regarding the water issues in the building. Clerk Schmit also reminded the council that next month was the meeting to set the budget for next year and asked if there were any special requests for information.

NEW BUSINESS

Animal Control and Feral Cat Donation: Clerk Schmit shared that the city received a donation of \$500.00 from Community Charities of MN directed by Heidi Gustafson to be applied to the Bigfork Vet bill for spaying and neutering stray cats. Council discussed that this was not a lawful purpose for the city to expense. **Motion to return the money to the Community Charities of MN and return the bill to the Bigfork Vet Clinic by J Krickhahn, seconded by Grady. MCU**

The Council also discussed further donations that may be received by the city and that they should be immediately returned if the city could not lawfully expense for the intended purpose. **Motion to return any monies to the Community Charities of MN that cannot be used for a lawful purpose by J Krickhahn, seconded by Grady. MCU**

Christmas Decorations: Council discussed how to use the \$500.00 donated for Christmas decorations for the city, as well as the \$500.00 budgeted by the city. **Motion to approve a budget of \$3,000.00 for the clerk to purchase light pole decorations by Grady, seconded by J Krickhahn. MCU**

OLD BUSINESS

Minnesota Basic Code: The council reviewed the ordinance enacting the code of ordinances for the city of Effie. **Motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-10 by J Krickhahn, seconded by Grady. MCU**

Zoning Map: The council reviewed the zoning map presented and agreed to the proposed map. A public hearing will need to be set to gather input. **Motion to hold a public hearing for public input on the Zoning map before the next meeting, November 12th, 2018 by J Krickhahn, seconded by Grady. MCU**

Playground: Councilors Grady shared that the League of MN Cities Loss Control Survey completed on September 10th. The Volleyball court, playground, skating rink and ball field were all inspected. The report contained many suggestions for improvements. Greta Drewlow shared that there was a volunteer that could look at the skating rink shack and possibly repair it with the monies donated and donating labor. The council reviewed each section of the report and Councilor J Krickhahn shared that since improvements had been made to the softball field, it makes the entire area subject to ADA compliance. **Motion to adopt document as actionable items to address each item as possible with funds available by Grady, seconded by J Krickhahn. MCU**

Community Center Furnace Update: Councilor Grady has one quote on the way. Most companies are too busy now and are not taking new installs.

Quality Control Quote: Additional issues were found with the radio transceivers at the lift station. **Motion to accept quote and repair by Grady, seconded by J Krickhahn. MCU**

PAYROLL AND CLAIMS

Payroll and Claims for the month of September: \$15,044.75 **Motion to approve payroll and claims as listed by Grady, seconded by J Krickhahn. MCU**

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Next regular monthly Council meeting is scheduled for November 12th at 6:00pm with a public hearing beforehand at 5:30.

Carolyn Schmit

To be approved at the next regular meeting

Clerk/Treasurer
