

City of Effie

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7:00pm

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

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

Absent – Councilman Bob Cassibo, Councilwoman Lil Longtine and City Clerk/Treasurer Jennifer Knott

Also Present – Dan Brinker, Dave Olson, Claire Olson, Jason Waldron, Vern Hawkinson, Joe Zimmer, Becky Passeri

Call to Order

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone stood and recited The Pledge of Allegiance

Public Forum

Dan Brinker addressed the council regarding the upcoming Auxiliary Easter egg hunt being held on Saturday. He wanted to know if the bathroom facility would be working. Mayor Krickhahn informed him that it was still frozen but would look at it before the weekend to determine if he could get it working. Mr. Brinker informed the Council that the Auxiliary would be cleaning up the outside grounds prior to the hunt. He also informed the Council that a new American flag and pulley would be purchasing by the Veterans. Council thanked Mr. Brinker.

Jason Waldron asked to address the council on several issues. The first issue being that the water in his house is not draining due to issues with the sewer. Joe Zimmer stated he was aware of the issue and was attempting to pump the water from the grinder pump to determine what the issue is. However, the water is filling back up faster than the water can be removed. There was discussion between Mr. Waldron, Joe Zimmer, Vern Hawkinson and the Mayor regarding the next steps. Mayor Krickhahn stated he would contact Powell Excavating to see what could be done and he would follow up with Mr. Waldron. Jason further requested information as to who's responsible for returning calls placed on the City's answering machine. His concern was that he had left a message regarding the situation and the call had not been returned. Mayor Krickhahn informed him that was the duty of the City Clerk. He apologized for the lack of response. Mr. Waldron also stated that he was also concerned with the checks not being deposited timely. Mayor Krickhahn informed him that this issue was being worked on as

well. Mr. Waldron also brought up the issue with the beaver dam North of Effie. He was informed that the beaver dam was on Blandin land.

Dave and Claire Olson spoke regarding the ball field, ball teams and recreation areas. Discussion ensued for a length of time regarding different options for assistance from the softball league in regards to maintaining the ball field area. Consensus between Council and the Olson's was they will raise funds via a tournament with the proceeds going to improve the ball field and general park area. The Olson's also suggested a Park / Recreation committee to work with the City. They will contact volunteers and keep Council updated on the progress.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Tim Grady, seconded by JoAnn Krickhahn to approve the agenda. MCU

Approval of the December 12, 2016 Minutes

Motion by Tim Grady, seconded by JoAnn Krickhahn to approve the March 13, 2017 minutes as written. MCU

NEW BUSINESS

Vern Hawkinson's Wastewater Contract

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

Update on Waste Treatment Plant; Grinder Pumps: Manhole Covers

Vern Hawkinson gave an update on sewer plant operations. He discussed several items that need to be focused on for repairs and or upgrades. Specifically discussed were filters, flow meter, and power to the building. Vern also discussed making some calls to others regarding resources for other pump options.

Joe Zimmer joined Vern in discussing the issues with the current pumps. Joe updated the council regarding the cost of new pumps vs. rebuilding pumps. He informed council that we currently have two pumps that need to be repaired. Council requested that Joe create and maintain a log of location of pumps being repaired to see if there is a physical location issue causing the pumps to burn up. Joe also recommended the Council budget money to complete work on the manhole covers. **Motion by Tim Grady, seconded by JoAnn Krickhahn to have two grinder pumps rebuilt. MCU**

Building Permit

Motion by JoAnn Krickhahn, seconded by Tim Grady to approve building permit for Danny Burman. MCU

Deadbolt Update

Mayor Krickhahn informed the Council that the two community building doors have been updated with deadbolt locks as well as the two garage entry doors. Eight sets of keys were made and will be issued to those that must have access to the building. Keys will be assigned via a signed key agreement and a key log will be maintained as to who received keys. Keys must not be duplicated or loaned out to control access to the building.

Grinder Pump Electric Meters

Mayor Krickhahn gave the council an update on the grinder pump meters. He distributed copies of the electric bill regarding the meters for review. He informed the council that Gogleye Electric has been contacted to give an estimate of what the cost for moving the meters will be.

Clerk/Treasurer Job Description

Clerk/Treasurer Job Description along with Clerk Duties Timeframe addendum was distributed to the Council. **Motion by Tim Grady, seconded by JoAnn Krickhahn to approve the Clerk/Treasurer and Timeframe addendum. MCU** Mayor Krickhahn will forward the documents to the Clerk/Treasurer.

OLD BUSINESS

Larry Melby – Building Permit

Mayor Krickhahn informed the Council that there has been no further communication from Mr. Melby.

Ball Teams; Ball Park; Dumpster

These items were discussed in conjunction with the public forum. Dave and Claire Olson will report back to the Council in regards to a fundraiser for the recreation areas.

Long Range Plan

JoAnn Krickhahn discussed the long-range plan items that were distributed. The next step will be to prioritize the items, prepare cost estimates and budget for the items. One item on the list is the removal of the snow shed. Tim Grady has made contact with someone who is willing to remove the shed to the ground at no charge; he only wants the wood for payment. **Motion by Tim Grady, seconded by JoAnn Krickhahn to approve the demolition of the snow shed. MCU**

A second item on the list is the development of a plan for the City owned property. Tim Grady obtained new maps, along with a listing of all properties within the City. JoAnn Krickhahn will prepare a listing of all City owned property for review.

Payroll and Claims

Payroll for the month of April 2017: \$1,060.00

Claims for the month of April 2017: \$2,536.31

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

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Next regular monthly Council meeting is scheduled for May 8, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

JoAnn Krickhahn
Acting/Recorder

Approved at the regular meeting on May 8, 2017
