

## CITY COUNCIL MINUTES – APRIL 4, 2017

A. CALL TO ORDER: The Regular City Council meeting was held on April 4, 2017 in the city council room of the New Germany City Hall. Mayor Van Lith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., those present were: Mayor Van Lith, Councilpersons Ty Turnquist, Shirley Jaeger, and Nick Hartwig absent were: Cathy Ruschmeier. Others present were: City Clerk – Twyla Menth. Audience members present were: Julie Aarsvold.

B. CITIZEN COMMENT: no comments.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Jaeger moved and Turnquist seconded approval of the agenda with the addition of J2 Carver County Lease Agreement and J3 Resolution 2017-06. The motion carried, all were in favor.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Jaeger moved and Turnquist seconded approval of the March 21, 2017 minutes with the correction of complaint to compliant in J1 and Q2. The motion carried, all were in favor.

E. SHERIFFS REPORT: No comments.

F. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Fire Department meeting was April 4, 2017, they have one new fire fighter going through the process and possible one more applying. Fire Department is looking into updating their personnel policy on uniforms; Chief Ruschmeier will explain his proposal to Council.

G. TREASURE REPORT: The Treasury report noted that the General fund balance was \$1,134,251.86, which includes the CD's balance of \$47,918.48. Clerk explained how the building permit funds are dispersed into accounts. Jaeger moved and Turnquist seconded approval of the Treasure report. The motion carried, all were in favor. Clerk explained the CD is up for renewal on April 8, 2017; went through terms and rates. Mayor Van Lith moved and Jaeger second approving a 2 year CD renewal. The motion carried, all were in favor. The next CD expiration date is July 7, 2017; Council would like Clerk to check with Bank on money market options.

H. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: Turnquist moved and Jaeger seconded to approve the claims in the amount of \$8,492.89. The motion carried, all were in favor.

I. WATER SEWER REPORT: Water has been turned on at Parks. Ortloff and Menth will be attending DNR Water conservation meeting in the near future.

J. 1. Council briefly discussed the possibility of Radde property annexation and those Council members present had the same opinion of the City is not in any financial position to fund and will not fund any of the water/sewer extension; decided to table until all Council members are present. Council had a brief discussion on the sewage ponds and pond expansion needs.

2. Council reviewed the Carver County Lease Agreement for the property and pole shed on Broadway and Adams. City attorney has approved the contract with the changes. Jaeger moved and Turnquist second approving the Carver County Lease Agreement. The motion carried, all were in favor.

3. Resolution 2017-06 A Resolution Approving the LG55 Government Approval or Acknowledgement for Use of Gambling Funds. The funds are to be used for \$5,000 for the Press box and \$1,170.00 for Henning Excavating bill for dirt for ball fields. Jaeger moved and Turnquist second approval of Resolution 2017- 06. The motion carried, all were in favor.

K. BUILDING PERMIT UPDATE: 4 homes, furnace, deck, repairs on front of business on Broadway.

L. COMPLAINT LOG: Few complaints on new LED street lights; Xcel stated that is how the new LED lights are.

M. PW REPORT: Mayor Van Lith reported the street cleaning is set for April 5 in the AM. Van Lith has started servicing the lawnmower; start thinking about lawnmowers to test drive.

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N. PARKS REPORT: Easter Egg hunt is April 8 here at Hall. Jaeger had minutes and treasure report available to anyone who wanted to review.

O. MAYORS REPORT: Nothing at this time.

P. CLERKS REPORT: Stacy Henning e mailed and the City wide garage sales will be May 4, 5 and 6. There have been a few issues with RMC and not cleaning up; this has been addressed with RMC representatives and they will be handling issues. RMC will also be donating toiletry supplies and garbage bags. RMC would like the Janitor to keep track of any extra time spent cleaning and they would possible reimburse for the service.

Anyone that would like a map of the Ironman event on April 30 they are on the table; they have provided the City with a certificate of insurance.

Also on the table is the latest update from the County on upcoming public hearing on wheelage and sales tax increase, and the 4-H invitation to Council to attend an event on April 6.

Floor scrubber repairs are \$300 for the part; start planning on refurbished scrubber in the 2018 Budget for around \$2,000.

Q. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Council discussed how to move forward with the non compliant sump pump systems; Clerk should put together the non compliant list and go through letters at next meeting; discussed some of the systems that need addressing.

2. Council member Ruschmeier was not present; table until next meeting.

R. NEW BUSINESS:

S. ADJOURNMENT: Van Lith moved and Jaeger seconded to adjourn meeting at 8:02 PM. The motion carried, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted, \_\_\_\_\_ Twyla Menth, City Clerk