

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES – AUGUST 7, 2018

A CALL TO ORDER: The Regular City Council was held August 7, 2018 in the city council room of the New Germany City Hall in conjunction with the Wellhead Protection Plan Public Hearing. Mayor Van Lith called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m., those present were: Mayor Van Lith, Councilpersons Shirley Jaeger, Ty Turnquist, Cathy Ruschmeier and Nick Hartwig. Others present were: City Clerk – Twyla Menth. Audience members were: Robyn Hoerr with MN Rural Water.

B. CITIZEN COMMENT: No audience members.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Jaeger moved and Turnquist seconded approving the agenda as printed. The motion carried, unanimously. 5/0

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Jaeger moved and Ruschmeier seconded approval of the July 17, 2018 minutes. The motion carried, unanimously. 5/0

E. SHERIFFS REPORT: no report.

F. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Hutchinson won the Fire Department Tournament; overall tournament went well.

G. TREASURE REPORT:

- The Treasury report noted that the General fund balance was \$1,489,033.97, which includes the CD's balance of \$48,880.26. Turnquist moved and Ruschmeier seconded approval of the Treasure report. The motion carried, unanimously. 5/0
- Bank Reconciliation was included and reviewed by Council.

H. CLAIMS: will be moved to J3.

I. WATER SEWER REPORT:

- Clerk reported People Service is replacing old meters with the radio read meters; after this year there are about 12 left to replace.

J. ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

1. Robyn Hoerr was present with MN Rural Water to explain the next step of the Wellhead Protection Plan which is the Public Hearing. Robyn explained the City is required to comply with the State rules of protecting the public drinking water source. Robyn explained the DWSMA map and wellhead protection area. The city well is about 440 feet deep, no wells in DSWMA area that were of concern. Robyn went through the city's responsibilities of making sure there are no impacts on the city's drinking water and maintaining the Wellhead Protection Plan which should be reviewed yearly. There is now a 90-day review period once accomplished Robyn will work with Clerk and People Service. Robyn also mentioned there are funds available if any wells would need to be sealed. Jaeger moved and Turnquist seconded Resolution 2018-18 Wellhead Protection Policy and Approval of Plan (Part 2). The motion carried, unanimously. 5/0

Mayor Van Lith asked if there were any further comments and there were no comments. Mayor Van Lith closed the public hearing for the Wellhead Protection Policy Part 2. The motion carried, unanimously. 5/0

2. Council reviewed and discussed the Resolution for Recognizing National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day which would be October 15, 2018, parents remember these children annually with a 7 pm candle lighting which can be held in their homes while others remember them in a small gathering around the state and across the nation. Jaeger moved and Ruschmeier seconded approving Resolution 2018-17 Recognizing National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day. The motion carried, unanimously. 5/0

3. CLAIMS – Ruschmeier moved and Jaeger seconded approving claims in the amount of \$10,973.26. The motion carried, unanimously. 5/0

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- K. BUILDING PERMIT UPDATE: Issued a window and siding permit this evening on August 7, 2018.
- L. COMPLAINT LOG: none as of meeting.
- M. PW REPORT:
- Van Lith reported the lawn mower fuel gauges were not working, Bob's repair tried a few things and finally ended up replacing gauges.
- N. PARKS REPORT:
- Discussion on upcoming children events.
- O. MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Van Lith reported Jim Nash received recognition for distinguished legislature; Nash was chosen out of 25.
- P. CLERKS REPORT:
- Received the first payment of the LGA -Local Government Assistance \$10,644.50 of the \$21,289. Small City Assistance received was \$3265.50 of the \$6531.
 - Out of the office Wednesday, August 8 – 13, mid-morning.
 - August 13 Jaguar Open House from 3 -8 PM at the Hall.
 - Primary August 14, 2018, polls open at 7 AM – 8 PM.
 - Affidavits of candidacy are due in office on Primary by 5 PM.
 - Continue working on budget.
- Q. OLD BUSINESS:
- Council discussed the repairs that are needed on the Elevator and the maintenance program they offer. The cost of the repairs is \$5,737.42 and if we go with the maintenance agreement of \$531 per year they would give discount; cost would then be \$5114.94. Ruschmeier moved and Turnquist seconded the quote from Arrow Lift for the elevator repairs and maintenance agreement. The motion carried, unanimously. 5/0
 - I tried another company for a quote and they want photos and have not responded back with a time to inspect elevator.
 - Great turn out at National Night Out.
- R. NEW BUSINESS: None at this time.
- S. ADJOURNMENT: Ruschmeier moved and Turnquist seconded to adjourn meeting at 8:37 PM. The motion carried, unanimously. 5/0

Respectfully Submitted, _____ Twyla Menth, City Clerk-Treasurer