

City Of Effie
City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
100 SW STATE HWY 38 – COMMUNITY BUILDING
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May 13th, 2019
6:00 pm

Members Present - Mayor Greta Drewlow; Councilors – Angela Walker, Jim Astry and Tom Lamont; City Clerk/Treasurer Carolyn Schmit

Members Absent – Councilor Lil Longtine

Also Present –Kevin Odden, Sally Sedgwick, Brian Bottkol, Heidi Gustafson, Marcia Lindgren and Joseph Pelawa

Mayor Greta Drewlow called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the public forum was opened. Resident Brian Bottkol asked the council if they were aware of the pot hole situation on Summit Ave. Mayor Drewlow said they were aware of it and would see what options the city may have to fix it. As no one else wished to speak, the public forum was closed.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by J Astry, seconded by A Walker to approve the agenda. MCU

Approval of the April 8th, 2019 Minutes

Motion by A Walker, seconded by J Astry to approve the minutes as written. MCU

Meeting Updates/Reports

Sewer Updates – Sewer Operator Kevin Odden attended the meeting to discuss the sewer issues that were brought up in previous meetings. Joseph Pelawa from Bolton & Menk also attended the meeting to answer any questions the council has. Joe and his colleagues toured the city facilities with Kevin to give input on the issues. One issue that was discussed at length was the amount of rags entering the system. A filter system was recommended. **Motion to have Bolton & Menk design and quote a filter system for the plant by J Astry, seconded by A Walker. MCU**

Council Updates – the council requested that Kevin Hovila attend to review the city insurance policy, Kevin answered questions and reviewed coverage. The council asked about the requirements for insurance if there was a group of volunteers, would it be covered under the cities insurance or would the volunteers need liability insurance. Kevin said that he would check on the coverage for this.

Mayor Updates – received call that Randy Rhodes would not be fulfilling the mowing contract that was approved last winter as he is moving. The council discussed the option of finding a replacement or purchasing its own equipment. It will be discussed at the June meeting. **Motion to put a notice in the paper for bids for lawn mowing due by June 10th council meeting by A Walker, seconded by T Lamont.**

Clerk Updates – The city received a check for \$4,300.00 as satisfaction for a mortgage made by Kootasca on behalf of the city. This will be added to the city building/improvement fund. Clerk received a call from Robert Boser expressing interest in the old Effie School. The council discussed the possibility of it being a historic building, J Astry will check into this.

Financial Report – **Motion to approve Financial Report by A Walker, seconded by T Lamont. MCU**

NEW BUSINESS

League of MN City Insurance Waiver: **Motion to accept the donation by A Walker, seconded by J Astry. MCU**

Vacant School Building: Clerk received a call from Robert Boser expressing interest in the old Effie School. The council discussed the possibility of it being a historic building, J Astry will check into this.

Summit Ave: Jeff Powell Excavating can repair Summit Ave for \$550.00 **Motion to have repairs done by J Astry seconded by A Walker. MCU**

Rodeo Daze:

Playground and Skating Rink:

OLD BUSINESS

Ordinances: Due to the length of the meeting, this discussion is tabled until further notice.

PAYROLL AND CLAIMS

Payroll and Claims for the month of April in the amount of \$12,164.08. **Motion to approve payroll and claims as listed by T Lamont, seconded by A Walker. MCU**

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 pm

Next regular monthly Council meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2019 at 6:00pm.

Carolyn Schmit

To be approved at the next regular meeting

Clerk/Treasurer
