

JASPER CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Regular Meeting November 10, 2014 at 7 pm

The Jasper City Council of the City of Jasper met in said city, November 10, 2014 at the Jasper city office. Council members present were: Mayor Les Nath, Lisa Rodman, Pete Johnson & Mike Baustian. Absent: Bolkema. Employees present; Clerk-Treasurer Terri Ryan, Ass't Clerk-Treasurer Stella Lingen & Public Works Superintendent Brian Thode. *Jasper Journal's* Kyle Kuphal & Jeff Leslie.

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Nath invited Jeff Leslie to the meeting as the highest vote getter in the election for council member. Mayor Nath requested a motion from the council for Leslie to fill the open council seat for Bolkema open chair for November & December council meetings. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Baustian. All ayes, motion carried;

COMMUNITY CONCERNS: No residents were in attendance;

Review & approve the minutes from Regular Meeting, October 14, 2014, motion by Johnson, seconded by Baustian. All ayes, motion carried; Short meeting October 15, 2014 for new potential fence/land tour, motion by Rodman, seconded by Johnson, all ayes, motion carried; November 5, 2014 to canvas the results of the election, motion by Baustian, seconded by Johnson, all ayes, motion carried;

Review & approve the October claims to date: USDA Rural Dev., \$6,763, EMS Bldg.; Bill Benson Body Shop, \$1,321.65, Fix '99 Chevy 1 ton; Baustian asked Thode on bill, Thode explained to replace rusting doors & new city door stickers.

Receipts: MN Mgmt. & Budget, \$17,396.71, State Fire Aid; Pipestone Co., \$6,156.30, 2014 Police State Aid; Sunrise Village, \$14,126.51, reim. Municipal Ins. For 8-2014 & 2015; LMC Ins. Trust, \$35,659.95, Flood Ins. Reim. less \$500 deductible; LMC Ins. Trust, \$141,999.42, Supp. Storm Damage;

Council members who have extra meetings or mileage need to turn in the amounts; payments will be made on the December 15 payroll;

Motion by Baustian, seconded by Rodman to approve the claims & receipts. All ayes, motion carried;

SWG DELINQUENT REPORT: Lingen presented the council with a list for delinquent SWG bills, snow removal & billed maintenance that were not paid. Lingen explained that some of the residents will come in and pay when the letter that is being sent this week, in which they will be removed from the taxable property list that will be sent to the County Auditor on November 30, 2014. Motion by Baustian, seconded by Johnson to approve RESOLUTION 14-314A Rock Co. & motion by Baustian, seconded by Johnson to approve RESOLUTION 14-314B Pipestone County to access charges to counties to access the final bills to the property owners.

UNITED FUND REPORT: Lingen reported to the council that the goal was \$3,900 for this years United Fund, so far this year we are currently at \$4,290. Lingen will sent a thank you to the donations of over \$100. Council questioned Lingen how much will be left over & around \$800. Motion by Nath, seconded

by Johnson to raise the donation to the ALS Association from \$100 to \$250 in memory of Glenn Bolkema. All ayes, motion carried;

7:15 open the public meeting for the demolition on Bob Bell's property in West Jasper (old Opal's house), Parcel # 1701-7600-2689 along with the recommendation of the planning commission members: David Smith & Jeff Leslie. Motion by Johnson & seconded by Rodman, all ayes, motion carried;
Close the public meeting at 7:20 pm;

NEW BUSINESS:

- Council wishes to appoint the open vacant seat in January replacing Mike Baustian. Baustian will fill out a resignation of his council seat & will be sworn in January 13, 2015 council meeting for mayor. The council will decide at this meeting also who to replace Baustian with.
- Snow removal on downtown sidewalks, the unpaid bills will be added to their taxes. Motion by Baustian, seconded by Rodman. All ayes, motion carried.
- Approve off sale liquor license for Stonewall Bar & Grill for 2015. Motion by Baustian, seconded by Johnson. All ayes, motion carried;
- Rodman wanted to upgrade speaker system at Memorial Hall, the current one belongs to the Lions Club. Nath & Baustian mentioned the current portable one at their church, maybe selling to the city & to setup & see what they think of it. Midwest Audio in Sioux Falls installed the system in the city council chambers;

OLD BUSINESS:

- AgStar Grant: Ryan talked with other cities in the quarterly safety group, their city did not apply, their fire departments have applied on their own. Any ideas from the council as the construction at the park did not qualify. Talked about carpet at Sunrise Village, AED at the ball fields & new sound system at Memorial Hall, the council discussed and wants to apply for a new sound system at Memorial Hall.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:

- Land Use permit Fenton on shed;
- Thode reported to the council that last week the crack sealing was completed;
- FEMA has sent money already to the city, received \$3,807.60 for ponds & jetting & \$3,257.59 for pumps/tractor. Thode to review the payments;
- Water tower was cleaned & inspected 1 ½ weeks ago, should be good 6-7 years. Final report to mailed to the city;

ITEMS BRIAN WANTS TO ADD TO THE AGENDA;

- Leaf pickup is done for the year, with the snow possibly coming on Sunday night, Thode picked up the leaves on Sunday afternoon;
- Fuller Paving patched 2 past water leaks spots;

ITEMS ANYONE WANTS TO ADD TO THE AGENDA;

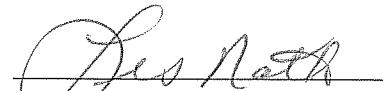
- Baustian questioned Thode if any interest in the surplus property, Thode has not gotten any responses yet;

-Otten Exteriors bid shingles for Memorial Hall and attached garage. Nath informed the council that he is waiting on Otten to get another bid on the shingles the insurance is going to cover, 3 tabs are quoted on the bid. Sunrise & the 4-plex are completed being shingled. The council discussed about more bids needed than just the one. The council questioned Thode when the work would need to be complete & Thode informed the council that Insurance work is good until December 2015. Rodman stated that the city to get another quote as to we had time.

Being no further business, motion by Johnson, seconded by Rodman to adjourn the meeting. All ayes, motion carried.



Terri Ryan, Clerk-Treasurer



Les Nath, Mayor

JASPER CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Regular Meeting December 9, 2014. Mayor Nath called the regular meeting to order at 7 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Jasper City Council of the City of Jasper met in said city, December 9, 2014 at the Jasper City Office. Council members present were: Mayor Les Nath, Lisa Rodman, Pete Johnson, Mike Baustian & Jeff Leslie. Absent: None. Employees present: Clerk-Treasurer Terri Ryan, Ass't Clerk-Treasurer Stella Lingen & Public Works Superintendent Brian Thode. *Jasper Journal's* Kyle Kuphal, Norm & Rick Van Dyke & Quentin Johnson.

Community Concerns: No residents were in attendance.

Mark Garry/Insurance agent from Peoples Bank would like the city to change to their insurance agent to himself at the bank. Garry stated he was the agent for Hardwick. Shawna Thompson at the League of Minnesota Cities told him that the city could change. Garry gave the Clerk-Treasurer the Agent of Records Form. The city would get back to Mr. Garry.

Review & approve the minutes from Regular Meeting on November 10, 2014. Motion by Baustian, seconded by Johnson to approve the minutes. All ayes, motion carried.

Review & approve the November claims to date: Fuller Paving, \$1,900, Mill & patch by Baustian & water leak; Bargaen Inc., \$31,360, Crack repair streets; Double D Gravel, \$1,398.26, excavator 10-3-14 lagoon work; Maguire Iron, \$1,699.50, water tower agreement; Disbursements noted: Annual payrolls to Fire Dept. (net \$7,639.34) & Ambulance (\$12,108.22);

Receipts: FEMA, \$3,807.60, \$3,257.59, \$11,982.99 & \$3,016.48; flooding
LMC Ins., \$141,999.22 (JEDA \$122,400)

Ryan changed per council, Double D Gravel to \$1,398.26 & Sunrise to JEDA. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Baustian to approve the claims & receipts. All ayes, motion carried.

Norm & Rick Van Dyke from Van Dyke Sanitation attended the meeting to discuss the renewal of the 3 year contract that is ending on 12-31-2014. Norm informed the council that on January 1, 2015 that there will be a raise of \$1.00 for dumping that was passed on to Van Dyke from the county. Norm also would like to change the contract to a 5 year contract in which there will be no raises for the 5 years. Lingen questioned Van Dyke on the current \$1.00 fuel surcharge when the price is over \$3.75 per gallon. The \$1.00 charge was to be taken off the billing. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Rodman to approve the contract with Van Dyke Sanitation for 5 years. All ayes, motion carried. The council also discussed with Van Dyke regarding the recycle tanks that Pipestone County has purchased, would like to add some of them totes in Jasper. The recycling percent of Jasper is estimated at 45% of the residents recycle. Van Dyke will check into.

DELINQUENT UTILILTY BILLING REPORT & UNITED FUND:

Pipestone County Auditor called requiring about foreclosed property removing the mowing charge the property taxes for 2015, the council wants the charges to stay on the taxes, motion by Leslie, seconded by Baustian. All ayes, motion carried. Lingen stated that the coffee group has paid \$1,700 so far this year for the meeting room rental.

Lingen informed the council that the United Fund has a surplus & the supplies were bought for next year. Lingen questioned the council if they would like to donate Christmas gifts for the kids, in Jasper for the 'Make a Difference'. Motion by Baustian, seconded by Johnson to donate \$200 from the United Fund. All ayes, motion carried.

7:30 PM No residents were in attendance for the Public Hearing for Budget/Tax Levy for 2015. Approve RESOLUTION 14-343 at 6% Adopting the Payable 2015, Final Property Tax Levy at 4%. Motion by Baustian, seconded by Johnson to approve the 4% tax levy for 2015. All ayes, motion carried. Approve RESOLUTION for Lincoln-Pipestone Rural Water rate increases from \$2.20 to \$2.31 per thousand gallons; raise .25¢ to \$4.35 per 1,000 gallons of water. Motion by Baustian, seconded by Johnson to approve the .25¢ per gallon water raise for 2015. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Baustian, seconded by Johnson, to approve RESOLUTION-343A, Business license fee for 2015. Ryan to take off Jasper Lanes before the Mayor signs. All ayes, motion carried;

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Baustian to approve RESOLUTION 14-343B to designate funds in Money Market savings account. All ayes, motion carried;

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Leslie to approve recommendation from the City of Jasper for Mike Baustian to the Pipestone County Conservation & Zoning to replace J. Ruiter. All ayes, motion carried;

Motion by Baustian, seconded by Rodman to approve recommendation from the City of Jasper for Jeanne Swenson on SW Regional Development Commission to replace Les Nath. All ayes, motion carried;

Motion by Baustian, seconded by Rodman to approve the Jasper Volunteer Fire Department claim from the fire on 11-24-2014. Smoke fan was bumped & fell down the stairs (\$1,745); also a pair of eye glasses (\$419) were broken (less \$500 deductible.) All ayes, motion carried;

FYI – LMC 2014-2015 Coverage changes, rates & dividends;

FYI – Notice of Decision to Revise & Update the Pipestone Co. Comprehensive Local Water Mgmt. Plan;

Resume talk regarding the Peoples Bank insurance change request. Nath stated to the council that with all the claims out from the flooding & hail damage that the city should wait until the renewal time to address this issue of changing agents. Motion by Baustian, seconded by Johnson. All ayes, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

- L. Rodman submitted the AgStar Grant for new audio/video from Midwest States. Will wait to hear from AgStar if the grant is accepted. As to the Christmas in the Village, the club will borrow the system from Baustian's church;
- Leslie is signed up for the Newly Elected Official 2015 Leadership Conference Jan. 23 & 24. The council requested Ryan to check into when the cutoff date to sign up for the new council member seat;

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:

- Land Use Permits: Gehrke/fence & A. Bauman/handicap ramp;
- FEMA update: Thode explained the money items were from on the checks. Nath thanked Thode for all his work with the FEMA paperwork;
- FYI-Results from Minnesota Dept. of Health lead/copper tap water monitoring that is done yearly with a few select residents, results in 90th percentile;
- Carpet in the meeting room will be installed the weekend between the holidays: Dec. 29, 30 & 31st, no groups to meet during those days;
- Compost site move started today, Thode would like to rent Baustian's stump removal machine;

ITEMS ANYONE WANTS TO ADD TO THE AGENDA;

- One water remote reader has not been hooked backup. Thode has not been able to find the resident at home to hookup. Water bill should be estimated high until the hookup has taken place;
- The city office was informed that one resident was living in a foreclosed home & one resident not paying their water bill because he knows the cold weather rule, the resident is supposed to contact the city about setting up a payment plan & has not been in yet, past due was put on the real estate taxes;
- New yard waste site: the paperwork is done & no closing yet, current owner has given permission to move items;

Dates for January personnel evaluations: the council to meet Jan. 20th, the council will meet with employees on Jan. 27th;


Reminder to council to turn in extra hours in for the Dec. 15th payroll;

The council adjourned the regular meeting & went into a closed session to discuss a personnel issue;

Being no further business, motion by Baustian, seconded by Johnson to close the meeting. All ayes, motion carried;



Terri Ryan, Clerk-Treasurer



Mike Baustian, Mayor