## March 18, 2019

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** Mayor Vanderlinde called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Council members present were P. Shablow, S. Strom, L. Kowaliuk, R, Rector. City employees present were S. Lund, V. Lundberg & E. Toomey. Public present were; D. Brown, G. Hanson, B. & V. Toomey, R. Toomey, V. Hill, C. Noell, A. & A. Blackender, & D. Gladu.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Shablow made a motion, Storm seconded, to accept the minutes of the February 19, 2019 council meeting. M/S/P – Shablow/Strom/All.

Mayor Vanderlinde asked that if anyone has additions to the agenda, that they bring them to the Clerk the Monday before the meeting, unless it is an emergency item.

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:** Strom added that the Fire Department would like to purchase a cut off tool, valued at \$2,000.00 plus blades. Kowaliuk added sub committees for the City because they were not voted on in January, and to vote to get rid of street & roads committee. Also the spring news letter. The clerk added Glenna Hanson, a city claim, and forfeited land.

**CITIZENS CONCERNS**: Kowaliuk stepped down from the council to talk about her water bill. Kowaliuk passed around her water bill and said she was charged for 2,000 gallons that she did not use. That the city stole from her. Kowaliuk resumed her council duties. Lundberg asked if the Cities insurance would be going down since we have cameras installed. Lundberg also asked when we would be going to summer hours for the city council. Rector made a motion, Strom seconded, that May through October the City Council meetings will be starting at 7 pm. M/S/P – Rector/Strom/All.

**OLD BUSINESS:** North Kittson Water Rate Increase: There was discussion about how much the city pays NKRW a month. Vanderlinde made a motion, Shablow seconded, to raise the water bills by 3% a month. M/S/P –

Vanderlinde/Shablow/Rector/Strom. Kowaliuk opposed the motion. Ordinance 57: A discussion was had about the ordinance. Kowaliuk wants ordinances, 13, 42 44, 48 & 49. Exit lights in Community Center: The clerk said that in one fixture the lights have been replaced with LED lights and she wants to wait to see if they will last before replacing more lights or getting new fixtures.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: Fire Department cut off tool and blades; Shablow made a motion, Strom seconded for the Fire Department to purchase a cut off tool and blades. M/S/P – Shablow/Strom/All. Sub Committees: Shablow made a motion, Kowaliuk seconded, for Rector and Strom to be on the water/sewers committee. M/S/P – Shablow/Kowaliuk/All. Strom made a motion, Kowaliuk seconded, for Shablow/Rector to be on the Community projects committee. M/S/P – Strom/Kowaliuk/All. Strom get a motion, Kowaliuk asked that a note could be put on the spring newsletter to ask the people please stop at the Hill street railroad crossing. Also to slow down when driving ATV or snowmobiles over the Hill Street railroad tracks. Spring cleanup days were discussed and the clerk will call Anderson's Sanitation to discuss curbside pickup for one day and how much they would charge. Glenna Hanson: Hanson announced that her family was purchasing the bait shop/mini golf. They are planning to try to be open by June of this year. Forfeited Land: Lot 8 block 11 of the original Lake Bronson property in Lake Bronson will be up for auction on April 3, 2019 at the county courthouse at 10 a.m.

**NEW BUSINESS: EMT Donations to Kittson County and Tri-County:** Shablow made a motion, Strom seconded, to donate a \$100.00 to each of the EMT's. M/S/P – Shablow/Strom/All. The City Assessment Meeting will be Tuesday April 19, 2019 2:00-2:30 pm. Water Bond Payment monthly transfer: Shablow made a motion, Rector seconded that the clerk will be transferring monthly payments from the water department account to the 2009 Water Bond account. M/S/P – Shablow/Rector/All.

**MAINTENANCE REPORT:** Toomey said the window at the school had been patched. He ordered parts for the flag light. He is waiting for the glass to arrive to have the door repaired on the Post Office building. The gym is being used. Strom will put water in the tank this week. Vanderlinde said he had been driving the plow truck and it was not working right so he brought it Braget Repair to have it fixed.

**CITY BILLS/CLAIMS TO BE AUDITED:** Kowaliuk asked about the bill to Minnesota Rural Water Association and the clerk will look into it. Shablow made a motion, Kowaliuk seconded, to pay the City claims. M/S/P – Shablow/Kowaliuk/All.

FIRE DEPARTMENT BILLS/CLAIMS TO BE AUDITED: Kowaliuk made a motion, Shablow seconded, to pay the Fire Department claims. M/S/P – Kowaliuk/Shablow/All.

Shablow made a motion, Kowaliuk seconded, to approve a building permit for Ryan Rector. M/S/P – Shablow/ Kowaliuk/Strom/Vanderlinde. Rector abstained.

ADJOURNMENT: Shablow made a motion, Strom seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 6:53p.m. M/S/P - Shablow/Strom/All.

The next regularly scheduled Council meeting will be on April 22, 2019 at 5:30 pm.