May 18, 2020

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor R. Rector called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Council members present were, S. Strom, L. Kowaliuk, P. Shablow & P. Matthew. City employees present was S. Lund. Public present were: D. Brown, M. Brazier & J Keenan.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Shablow made a motion, Kowaliuk seconded, to accept the minutes of the April 20, 2020 council meeting. **M/S/P – Shablow/Kowaliuk/All.** Shablow made a motion, Strom seconded, to accept the minutes of the May 4, 2020 taxation meeting. **M/S/P – Shablow/Strom/All.**

CITIZENS CONCERNS/COMMENTS: Brown asked when cleanup day will be, and asked when R. Gudmundson would be burning his house. Strom will be contacting Gudmundson to burn it. Kowaliuk said to send a letter to A. Norberg, J. Martin & R. Gudmundson to clean up their yards by June 8, 2020 or the next step might be the Sheriff ticketing them.

Fire Chief's report on new truck: The fire chief was unavailable for this meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Lagoon Fences: Shablow made a motion, Strom seconded, for Matthew to talk to Frank Finney about repairing the lagoon fences. The city will supply him with any needed materials. M/S/P – Shablow/Strom/All.

Schedule City Clean Up Days/Spring Newsletter: The clerk explained that Anderson's called her and if the city had a dumpster again for cleanup days, Dale at the landfill is requiring the City to have someone watch the dumpster at all times so that no garbage that is not allowed is put in the dumpster. Shablow suggested doing curbside pickup if Anderson Sanitation would allow. Shablow asked Sandy to check with Anderson's to see if they would consider doing this. Shablow made a motion, Matthew seconded, to schedule yard cleanup for June 1-4 for curbside pickup if okay with Anderson Sanitation. The clerk and the mayor will talk to Anderson Sanitation to see if they will do curbside pickup this year. M/S/P – Shablow/Matthew/All. The clerk said there was nothing to put in a spring newsletter this year. Housing Grant: Nothing is currently being done due to the Pandemic.

Pet Clinic May 26, 2020 5:30-7:30 at the Fire Hall: Kowaliuk said the clinic hours had changed to 4-7 pm.

Rector asked if could move Brazier up on the agenda, so he did not have to stay through more of the meeting. Brazier approached the council and said he would donate to the city if they would let him take the fire escape slide at the school. Brazier would have Troy Peterson remove the slide and make sure he covered the hole in the building and cleaned the ground area around the slide. Shablow made a motion, Matthew seconded, to allow Brazier to remove the fire escape slide from the school. M/S/P –

Shablow/Matthew/Strom. Kowaliuk voted against this. Rector brought up the custodian pay. He asked why we were paying her when she is not working. The council decided to continue paying her. The clerk also added a building permit. Kowaliuk made a motion, Matthew seconded, to approve the building permit for Ron Austad to build a fence in his yard. M/S/P – Kowaliuk/Matthew/All. The clerk added a claim for each the City and the Fire Department.

NEW BUSINESS:

Fire Department applicants: Kowaliuk made a motion, Matthew seconded, to approve Dustin Shablow and Kayla Fortin's fire department applications. M/S/P – Kowaliuk/Matthew/All.

NW Regional Safety Group meeting: The clerk said the State closed all meetings until June 29, 2020.

Safety training on the computer: The clerk said she setup online training courses for the City employees to take and that B. Anderson has taken a few so far. The next safety meeting is scheduled in September.

Cook's yard: The clerk received a complaint about Cook's yard. This council discussed this and no decision was made at this time. **Playground timbers and gravel:** Rector will remove the timbers lining the playground that have cresol on them. The gravel will be discussed at the next meeting.

Rector asked Keenan if he had a question for the council. Keenan asked if he could move in a small grain bin to his yard to make a gazebo. Council told him to fill out a building permit. Keenan said the culvert to the north of his house needs to be dug out. Matthews made a motion, Shablow seconded, to have Matt, from Anderson Construction take care of this and the City would pay for it. M/S/P – Matthew/Shablow/All.

Delinquent water bills: The delinquent water bills were discussed by the council. Kowaliuk asked for the addresses of the delinquent water bills and she would go to each house and talk to the people about paying their bills. The clerk told Kowaliuk to stop by the next day and she would give her the addresses.

South/West garage door opener at city shop: Strom made a motion, Matthew seconded, for Strom to look into this and to purchase a new garage door opener. M/S/P – Shablow/Matthew/All.

Kowaliuk asked to go back to the water bills. Kowaliuk made a motion, Strom seconded, to forgive the water bill of a certain deceased persons water bill in town. M/S/P – Kowaliuk/Strom/All. The clerk will send the family a letter to inform them of this decision.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: The clerk reported that Anderson has started mowing and he has been cleaning up around town and doing safety training.

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

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

ADJOURNMENT: Kowaliuk made a motion, Strom seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 p.m. M/S/P - Kowaliuk/Strom/All.

The next regularly scheduled Council meeting will be on June 15, 2020 at 5:30 pm.