September 20, 2018

City meeting

Mayor Ron Schatz called the meeting to order with Council members Julie Wagner, Dennis Howard and Randy Zinke, and Ashley Fiedler, Auditor. Also present were Lynn Oberg, MSRW.

Wagner makes motion to approve minutes and Howard seconded it. Motion carried.

Zinke makes motion to approve finances, and Howard seconded it. Motion carried.

Bills were reviewed, Howard makes motion to approve bills, and Wagner seconded it. Motion carried.

Auditor Ashley talked with Katie at American Bank Center and has also been working with Ann from McLean Sheridan Rural Water on getting direct payment set up. Residents question if there will be a fee for this service, and if they will be able to use credit cards or just checks. Auditor Ashley was unsure of the answers, as she just received the information on the direct payment program that day. She will find out the answers and bring it up at the next meeting.

2019 Budget was reviewed for final approval. Zinke approved 2019 Budget, Howard seconded it. Motion carried.

Tonya Wellington would like a raise for cleaning. She gets \$12/hr. and would like \$15/hr. Howard makes a motion to approve her raise, Zinke seconded it. Motion carried.

Mayor Schatz would like to have the outside of the city hall painted, Tonya Wellington would be willing to paint and do all the caulking for her wage of \$15/hr. Howard makes a motion to have Tonya paint, Zinke seconded it. Motion carried.

The flag pole doesn't have a rope on it. Schatz would like to know if the board has a problem with getting a new rope and having someone lifted up and fixing it. Board agrees to just have someone in house get the rope and fix it.

Auditor Ashley found some information regarding dog licenses and wondering how we want to handle pet licenses. The old board went away with enforcing the pet licenses. Was hard to get residents to pay and keep on top of the licensing, which made it hard to enforce. Board decided to wait on pet licensing issue.

AJ Tuck Engineer sent pay estimate #4 to be discussed, he was unable to attend the meeting. Board decided to wait to approve pay estimate until AJ is able to explain.

Zinke makes a motion for Residents who have not paid their water bills will have the amount put on their taxes. Howard seconded it. Motion carried.

As of right now we have two residents who are pretty far behind on their bills and will be put on their taxes.

Marlene Wardner would like the hose removed from the Community Center before October 6th, that's when the church has their Bizarre.

Mayor Schatz got a bid from E & E dirt works to move the road off of Meidinger's property. The bid came back at \$10,000. As of now nothing will be done with the road.

Meidinger also noticed that his property on 1st street had two curb stops installed, and they were not wanted. Jason talked with Jordan and there is an option to turn them off underground before the curb stops. Decision wasn't made at this time.

Council member Wagner is questioning why all these extra curb stops are showing up that aren't wanted. Resident Schon stated they used the map on the wall, as that's all they had to go by.

Resident Kathrin Volochenko just purchased the house on 201 2nd St SW, which is not livable. She's giving notice as of today they don't want water hooked up and they will not pay for water in a residence that's not livable. Zinke makes motion to not have the water hooked up at Kathrin Volochenko's new property, Howard seconded it. Motion carried.

Volochenko would like to put in a private water well, and is wondering if there's an ordinance saying it's not allowed. Ward from Mclean Sheridan Water advises against the well. The water usage from the resident wouldn't be as high if they had a well. There could also be an accidental push water into other resident's water. They may think they are getting chlorinated water, but they could be getting well water.

Howard makes a motion to adjourn, Zinke seconded it. Motion carried