

## January 11, 2016

The City Council met in the Council Room on January 11, 2016 with the following members present: Richard Novotny, Monica Olson, Mayor Terry Aasness, Darek Buse & Bobbie Batesole and the following absent: NONE

Others Present: Ardell Hendrickson, Jerry Buse and Diana K. Olson

All present stood to say the pledge of allegiance.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Aasness.

A motion was made by Novotny, seconded by Batesole and carried to approve the January 11<sup>th</sup> agenda.

A motion was made by Batesole, seconded by Olson and carried to approve the December 14<sup>th</sup> Council Minutes.

A motion was made by Batesole, seconded by Olson and carried to appoint Richard Novotny as Acting Mayor.

A motion was made by Novotny, seconded by Olson and carried to retain First Security Bank, Evansville as the official depository and Viking Savings Association, Alexandria as a back up and for investments.

A motion was made by Novotny, seconded by Batesole and carried to retain The Record as the official newspaper and the Fergus Falls Daily Journal as backup.

A motion was made by Novotny, seconded by Olson and carried to appoint Jamie Englund to the board of health for a 3-year term. Others on are 2014-Terry Aasness and 2015- Missy Englund.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Batesole and carried to retain Mike Dolan from Thornton, Reif, Dolan, Bowen & Klecker Law Office as the City Attorney.

A motion was made by Batesole, seconded by Novotny and carried to appoint the Fire Chief as the NIMS Coordinator.

A motion was made by Novotny, seconded by Buse and carried to appoint Monica & Bobbie to the employee committee.

A motion was made by Novotny, seconded by Buse and carried to set the Council meeting dates for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month at 7:00 PM at City Hall.

A motion was made by Batesole, seconded by Novonty and carried to approve the IRS mileage rate of \$.54 per mile.

The Council discussed the prescription drug drop box. There was concern for safety and what problems could come with the drop box.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Novonty and carried to not have a drop box installed at City Hall in Evansville at this time.

A motion was made by Novotny, seconded by Batesole and carried to approve the 2016 law enforcement contract with the Douglas County Sheriff's Department for 20 hours a month for \$38.67 per hour.

The Council discussed public alert messages. Softline Data would set up the alerts and we would be able to send out whatever alerts we would like. At this time the Council would like to pass on this option.

A motion was made by Novotny, seconded by Olson and carried to approve the LG220 from the Evansville Sportsmen's Club and waive the 10% to the City and 30-day waiting period to conduct Lee's Deal (raffle) on February 13<sup>th</sup> at the Railroad and 2<sup>nd</sup> Event Center.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Batesole and carried to allow Jerry & Diana to attend their conferences in March.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Buse and carried to hire David Olson as a back-up snow plow driver. He does have a CDL.

A motion was made by Novonty, seconded by Batesole and carried to increase the pay for backup snow plow drivers from \$10.00 per hour to \$15.00 hour.

A motion was made by Batesole, seconded by Olson and carried to allow employees to have dental for minors taken out of their paychecks. (paid by employee)

Diana had a very angry customer in the office that screamed at her and threw a sucker. Diana is on vacation the end of February.

A motion was made by Novotny, seconded by Olson and carried to approve the Fire Department FEMA application for a possible grant of \$221,425 with a 5% Fire Department match.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Novotny and carried to approve the January bills and authorize payment. (List Attached)

The Council looked over a copy of the school lease that was looked at by the League of MN Cities. They would like to see a 10-year lease. Diana is to make a few minor corrections and then send to the school for approval.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Batesole and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 PM.

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Diana K. Olson