

July 11, 2016

The City Council met in the Council Room on July 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: Bob Schlieman-Apex Engineering, Ardell Hendrickson, Willy Westrom-Evansville Fire Department, 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 July 11th agenda.

A motion was made by Novotny, seconded by Buse and carried to approve the June 13th Council Minutes.

Bob talked to the Council about the upgrade to the water treatment plant along with a new tower. The estimated cost to upgrade the water treatment plant is \$1,500,000 and the tower is \$900,000. The City does have both these projects on the PPL with the Public Facilities Authority. The next step would be for the Council to authorize the design of the tower and treatment plant which would cost around \$145,025 and look for land for a new tower.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Novotny and carried to authorize Bob from Apex Engineering to design and go for funding for the water treatment plant and tower for a price of \$145,025.

The Fire Hall building committee met with Bob and Matt about the new fire hall. The next step would be to secure the land and have a building sketch so we know where to do the soil borings.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Novotny and carried to continue with the process of securing the land with a site agreement and have the sketch drafted.

There are still a few items left on the 2014 Utility Improvement punch list. They have been slowly knocking some of them off.

The Council got copies of other Cities codes of conduct. The Council felt it would be nice to have some guidelines in place for the Council. Bobbie will work on getting a draft copy of the code.

Parcel 712-0205-000 was put up for tax forfeiture and a person purchased the property. He is wondering if the Council will re-assess the special assessments. The amount of assessments before forfeiture was \$2,893.56 in which \$100 will go towards the special assessments of the purchase price. The Council would like to do some more research and let the resident know that we are taking it into consideration with a possible write down.

A resident questioned about having 1 garage company come to town instead of 3. It is hard on the streets and alleys. Due to all the complications of contracting with one hauler the Council has decided to continue with having residents choose their company. If they want the garbage companies out of the alleys it would work for all residents of that alley to work together to bring their garbage cans to the City streets.

Evansville Auto needed an updated license for selling motor vehicles on his leased lot. The Council would like to make sure all vehicles stay within the boundary of the leased lot.

A motion was made by Buse, seconded by Olson and carried to approve the MN Vehicle Dealer License Zoning Verification for Evansville Auto to sell vehicles on his leased property. (Must keep all on his property)

A motion was made by Buse, seconded by Novonty and carried to issue a structure permit to Evansville Auto to build an addition to his existing building as long as he abides by the setbacks. It is parcel 72-0226-000.

A motion was made by Batesole, seconded by Novotny and carried to approve the TIF and Tax Abatement payments.

Richard was wondering about summer hours. Diana will meet with Bobbie and Monica about it.

The School is looking at re-doing the varsity baseball field and putting in irrigation. They were wondering if the City would pay for the water usage on the field.

A motion was made by Novotny, seconded by Buse and carried to have the City pay for the water used on the varsity field for the irrigation system.

Lucky's Propane got sold to CHS Prairie Lakes.

A motion was made by Buse, seconded by Novotny and carried to approve and sign the encroachment easement with the Smith's.

A motion was made by Novotny, seconded by Buse and carried to pay the bill to fix the sprinkler heads for Burros but they must be moved as we will not pay for them again. They are located in the City's right away.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Novotny and carried to let the maintenance staff either wear vests with the City logo or they can purchase Class 2 reflective shirts and the City will pay to have the logo printed on the shirts.

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

A motion was made by Novonty, seconded by Buse and carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 PM.

Diana K. Olson