

Council Meeting
April 3, 2018
7:00 P.M.

Council Present: Mayor John Bigart III, Jaime Odell, Marvin Garding. Josh Acker came in at 7:30. Salinas Bartel was absent.

Because there was not a quorum at 7:00 only non-voted items were discussed until Josh entered.

Water Sewer: James Claxton was at the meeting. He updated on the situation on Adams St. with the sewer lines. The property owner at 212 Adams is going to make their connection correct. The property at 227 Adams needs to be their own line and not tied into 223 Adams. Neither property is the town's issue. The repair to the sprinkler system will be done when the weather warms up. The leak at the center is repaired. It took more than they thought it would.

Fire Department: Chief Joe Calnan was not at the meeting.

Sheriff Department: Sheriff Mike Boone was not at the meeting.

County Planner: Tim Read was at the meeting. He updated on the wildfire protection plan. The final plan is set up for a meeting on April 18 at the center. Now is the time to make changes if needed.

Old Business

Anderson-Montgomery: Paul Montgomery had been able to obtain a \$5,000.00 planning grant from DNRC. This would make it so the town would only have to pay \$5,340.00.

Credit Card Payments: The Clerk stated that the town had done two credit card transactions since we had been set up. They went smooth.

HB 473 Bridge and Gas Tax Act: There was a bid from Shadow Asphalt for the paving on Parkway Drive for \$98,790.00 plus \$11,812.50 for Old Milwaukee Spur. It was decided to seek other bids at this time. We will look at Knife River and Riverside Contracting.

PEAK Park Update: Sarah Gagliardi showed where they would like to place the xylophone music component in the park. It will be next to the walking path by the stump. The Mayor stated that since the town had approved the music components previously that they did not have to get approval for each one.

Website Update: The Clerk updated on the website. She is making progress. Hopefully it should be ready by the end of the month. The town will request bids for assistance when needed with the website. At this time we will no longer pay Glenda Wallace

\$250.00 per month for marketing. We will put out a request and revisit at the May meeting.

The clerk informed those present that the town received the \$5,000.00 grant for the library windows.

Minutes: The Clerk read the minutes. A motion was made by Josh seconded by Jaime to approve the March 3, 2018 minutes with correction. All were in favor.

Claims: The claims were discussed. A motion was made by Josh seconded by Marvin to pay the claims from check number 15286 through 15319 in the amount of \$29,224.80. All were in favor.

Lausch Amended Subdivision: Tim Read discussed the subdivision request. Because the remainder tract would not conform to subdivision rules it went before the planning board process and was fairly straight forward. There is an easement being granted for utility purposes. The house is not currently connected to the towns' sewer system and would need to be connected. He made recommendations to the planning board for approval. There were 16 recommendations in total. He doesn't believe that DEQ would approve the subdivision unless the house is connected to the towns' sewer system. After further discussion it was open to the public and there were no further comments. Josh made a motion seconded by Jaime to approve the Lausch Amended Subdivision with the 16 recommendations from the planning board. Josh, Jaime, and Marvin voted yes. The motion carried.

Farmers Market Sign: Loreen Green showed the sign design that had been drawn up. The sign is 2' by 3' and would be front and back. The sign would cost between \$60.00 and \$180.00 dollars. The Farmers Market does not have any money however are looking into some grant funds. Josh thought that the town could pay for the sign and if they received any funds they could reimburse the town. It was decided that if the sign was up to \$100.00 the clerk would be able to approve it otherwise it would go to the Council for approval.

Public Comment:

Sarah Robbin from RATES introduced herself. She discussed the possible target water rate. She stated that they could assist the town in finding grant assistance by updating the towns' median income. The council would like them to move forward.

RC Askew would like to get fertilizer for the park. The feed store is not able to get the same fertilizer this year. He would need about 50 bags and it would be about \$1,500.00. He also stated that the picnic tables need to be repaired. Jaime will check with the school and see if any of the students would be interested in the project.

George Rupert does not understand why he needs to pay a base rate on the property if there is no service to the property. Josh explained that the state requires us to have base rates so that our infrastructure loans can be spread evenly by all accounts.

John updated on the Republic meeting he and Josh had last month. Republic would like to be on Mays agenda. They have smaller dumpsters for those that do not fill up the bigger ones for less money. There had not be any evaluations done prior to their taking over from Felstet on the rate structure. They were catching up.

Wayne Morris from the Community Church would like to work with the Town regarding easements at the church. Doug and James will locate all the town utility lines. The town agrees that we need to get this done.

A motion was made by Jaime seconded by Marvin to adjourn.

Being no further business this meeting was adjourned.

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk

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