

Regular Meeting – April 13, 2020

Members Present

Michael Shurson
Jenna Pederson
Chad Neitzel
Sarah Sundve
Jason Casey

Others Present

Wayne Billing
Theresa Grubstad
Pam Goehring
Chris Schlaak

Anthony Martens
Jessica Lutgens
Larry Goehring
Sara Jo Vulcan

Members Absent:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Michael Shurson at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call – All Members present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda – Motion made by Sarah Sundve and seconded by Chad Neitzel to approve the agenda. Carried (5 yes, 0 no)

Consent Agenda – Motion made by Chad Neitzel and seconded by Sarah Sundve to approve Consent Items:

1. Minutes for March 9th & 23rd Meetings
2. Accounts Payable
3. Feb 2020 Financial Statements

Carried (5 yes, 0 no)

Resolution 20-05 Extending Emergency - Motion made by Sarah Sundve and seconded by Chad Neitzel to adopt Resolution 20-05 Extending Declared emergency to April 24, 2020. Carried (5 yes, 0 no)

Resolution 20-06 Accepting Bequest - Motion made by Sarah Sundve and seconded by Jenna Pederson to adopt Resolution 20-06 Accepting Bequest and designating to Fire Capital Reserve. Carried (5 yes, 0 no)

Police Department – Anthony Martens

- March Activity reported.
- Motion made by Sarah Sundve and seconded by Jenna Pederson to approve hiring Sheila Jewison as part time officer. Carried (5 yes, 0 no)
- Tornado drills will be conducted this week.
- Siren at the bowling alley is not repairable. The siren at City Hall covers the entire city for outdoor warning. The cost to replace the siren at the bowling alley is estimated to be \$21,000. It is recommended that we replace by October, so it is ready for the next severe weather season.
- Motion made by Sarah Sundve and seconded by Jenna Pederson to approve the Police Department report. Carried (5 yes, 0 no)

Ambulance – Chris Schlaak

- March activity reported.
- Training activity and equipment maintenance status updated.
- The possibility of obtaining a computer to enter run reports was questioned. A price for a Toughbook computer will be obtained for the next Council meeting.
- Whether the Assistant Clerk should go on Ambulance calls during the COVID 19 emergency was brought up. Because of differing ideas of what is appropriate, the matter will be tabled.
- Motion made by Jason Casey and seconded by Chad Neitzel to approve the Ambulance Department report. Carried (5 yes, 0 no)

Sale of 2012 Impala – Two sealed bids were opened, one for \$1,000 and one for \$1,251. The Council discussed the value of the car. Motion made by Chad Neitzel and seconded by Jenna Pederson to reject both offers and market further. Carried (5 yes, 0 no)

St Olaf Lake – Theresa Grubstad asked about whether they could open the concession stand at St Olaf Lake Park. The consensus was that it would be allowed as no different than a food truck or to go meals because all food is take-out. The swimming program was also discussed. Any decision was tabled until the next Council meeting.

City Clean Up – Motion made by Chad Neitzel and seconded by Jenna Pederson to postpone the clean-up until September 26. Carried (5 yes, 0 no)

Street Crack Repair – Motion made by Chad Neitzel and seconded by Jason Casey to approve \$12,000 to Bargen, Inc for crack repair on selected City streets. Carried (5 yes, 0 no)

Legion Plan to Honor Graduates – The New Richland American Legion Post has expressed an interest in conducting a parade to honor 2020 high school graduates. The Council was okay with the concept but needs more detail to approve.

Adjournment – Motion made by Chad Neitzel and seconded by Jason Casey to adjourn the meeting. Carried (5 yes, 0 no) 7:49 p.m.

The consensus
Wayne Billing
City Clerk/Treasure