

**CITY OF FISHER
MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, October 5, 2020

Fisher Emergency Center 7:00 pm

Council Members Present: Liz Barrett, Mark Clauson, Adam Wagner, Laurie Anderson, Mitch Bakken

City Staff Present: Taylor Amiot, Josh Mailhot, Chuck Getsman, Mike Theis, Stacy Wallace

Others: Brandon Nielsen, Chrysti Nielsen, Erin Marysla, William Kromschroeder (Boy Scouts), Wyatt Marsyla (Boy Scouts), Lucas Smith (Boy Scouts), Emily Tinkham

- 1. Meeting was called to order by Mayor Barrett at 7:03 pm.**
- 2. Additions/Corrections were made to the agenda.**
 - a. Pay increase for Public works**
- 3. Approve Minutes from the September 5, 2020 meeting.**

Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes from September 5, 2020. Clauson seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- 4. Fisher Forum:**
 - a. Lucas, Wyatt and William addressed the council on why they came to the meeting tonight. They are trying to get their merit badge to become an Eagle Scout.**
- 5. Public Works:**
 - a. Jetway cleaned the lift station**
 - b. Pothole have been filled on Thompson**
 - c. Painting curbs**
 - d. Plan to discharge late October**
 - e. IPS - Suggests replacing the PCL, its 18+ years old and if something does happen to it, they don't make parts for it anymore. Updated system would make it less likely that you would miss an alert.**
 - i. Chuck will ask for a detailed breakdown from IPS**
 - f. pH Meter & DO Meter - Mackenzie from MPCA said that our meters are out of date, they will need to be replaced by the time that Chuck is licensed.**
 - i. Liz would like to address this in December**
 - ii. We can use East Grand Forks equipment until training is done.**
 - g. Dillion and Chuck were going to do a 4 hour test at the lift station, come find out all of our equipment is outdated and is not approved by the EPA**
 - h. Payloader- is still available.**
 - i. Jeff and Chuck think that there will be no issue with it sitting outside**
 - ii. Jeff also thinks that it is a good deal**

- iii. Wagner suggests looking into seeing how much we could sell the plow truck for - Chuck will look into selling the plow truck
- iv. Taylor came looked at the shop
 - 1. He suggests to get into the attic to see what's going on with the trusses
 - 2. Suggests an addition or its own building
- v. The Door Guy said that the door is already a low profile door.
 - 1. Next step would be to look to see if there is a way to raise the roof.
- vi. *Wagner made a motion to approve to make an offer of \$40,000 to purchase the Payloader. Clauson seconded the motion. Motion Carried*

6. Fire & First Responders:

- a. NOVA Fire Protection - Tim suggested to have 60' of the main line to be replaced and would cost \$2,850. Wagner suggests Chuck to look into replacing the line.
- b. It was a long way to Oregon going 65 MPH. It was very useful to have the Brush Truck. 29 guys from MN went. Only one minor accident.
- c. Resolution 2020-09 Rate of Pay
 - i. Wagner suggests that the pay rates are a little low.
 - 1. Raise the rate for Dirk to \$18.00 Reg and \$27.00 OT
 - 2. Raise the rage for Josh to \$25.00 Reg and \$37.50 OT
 - ii. Also needs the fringe benefit amounts to Josh.

Anderson made a motion to approve the 2020-09 Resolution. Clauson seconded the motion. Motion approved.

7. Police:

- a. No issues
- b. Austin needs to get his evaluation done.
- c. This is a Happy Camper

8. COUNCIL UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Delinquent Utilities
 - i. #6-sent notice
 - ii. #83-sent notice
 - iii. #106-sent notice
 - iv. #109- following payment plan
 - v. #123-sent disconnect notice
 - vi. #137-sent notice
 - vii. #146-sent notice
 - viii. #371-sent notice
 - ix. #6228362-no notice sent, only \$3.54 over 30 days
 - x. #8448313-sent notice

- xi. #3888348-sent notice
- xii. #8448349-sent notice
- b. RT Adams Building/Mike Vasek
 - i. Clerk will get a quote and to see when it can be taken down. Send him a letter with a total and a date that it will be taken down.
- c. Feasibility Study-
 - i. WSN \$6,900 + with the option of Renderings \$4,500 & Funding assistance \$1,500
 - ii. JLG \$22,000
 - 1. Wagner feels like JLG is providing more of a detailed plan
 - 2. Is this something that we really want to pursue at this time.
 - 3. Send out a survey to see what the thoughts are of the community
- d. CARES Funding Act Spending - Due to COVID-19 the city had spent \$3,891.01 in September because of the displacement of the City Offices from the school. This amount was spent on getting the new City Office to work functionally for an office and wages that were not budgeted for 2020 due to having to move offices.

Anderson makes a motion to approve the CARES Funding Act Spending. Wagner seconded the motion. Motion Carried

- e. 2021 Proposed budget - tabled

9. COUNCIL NEW BUSINESS

- a. Yard of the Month for September: Ilene Yanish
- b. 3rd Qtr Budget-
- c. Bids for new Office Space
 - 1. Red River Builders - \$29,910
 - 2. Ryan Trudeau Construction - \$32,773.76

-Bakken suggests that the City needs to do what makes the most sense, safest, cost effective for the city. Bakken would like to know what is reasonable to make this work for everyone.

-Josh suggests making a meeting room in the back of the Firehall.

-Theis as a taxpayer he said that it doesn't make any sense to make their own meeting room.

-Wagner suggests that Josh shows the bids that came in to the others on the Fire and First Responders

- d. Chucks 90 day review-Proposing a pay increase of \$2.00. He has been doing a great job. Will go in effect for next month.

Bakken made a motion to approve Chuck's pay increase of \$2.00. Wagner seconded the motion to approve the pay increase. Motion carried.

- e. 90 day lease termination - Barrett would like us to pursue the lease termination at the school. Wagner would like the school to take incentive to terminate the lease themselves.

11. Open Discussion/Clerk's Update:

- a. Signed the proposal with Proulx Refrigeration, heating & Appliance to do the switch over from LP to NPL at the Fire Hall and the Shop. Their Proposal came in at \$1,176.97
- b. End of October the desks should be installed

12. Approved October's Disbursements:

*Anderson made a motion to approve disbursements in the amount of \$57,577.45
Bakken seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

13. Clauson and Wagner will approve disbursements for next month.

**14. Adjourn: *Bakken made a motion to adjourn. Wagner seconded the motion.
Meeting adjourned at: 8:40 pm.***

Next meeting: Monday, November 2, 2020 at 7:00pm in the Fisher Emergency Meeting

Respectfully submitted,

**Stacy Wallace
Clerk-Treasurer**