

CITY OF FISHER
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, November 8, 2021
7:00 pm Fisher School Library

Council Members Present: Emily Tinkham, Laurie Anderson, Mitch Bakken,
Mark Clauson, Adam Wagner,
Absent: Josh Mailhot
City Staff Present: Chuck Getsman, Mike Theis, Taylor Aimot
Others: Darin Bylum

- 1) Meeting was called to order by Mayor Emily Tinkham at 7:01 pm
- 2) Additions/corrections to agenda
 - New Business - Budget 2022
 - New Business - Mayor travel 2022
- 3) Approve minutes from the October 4, 2021 council meeting
 - a. Clauson motioned to approve the October 4, 2021 minutes. Seconded by Wagner.
No discussion. Motion carries.
- 4) Fisher Forum
 - a. Darin Byklum sewer charge -
 - i. Wagner motioned to approve paying for the expense if it is determined that the issue was caused by Jet-way. Seconded by Bakken. Motion carries.
 - b. Doug Thompson - would like the council to consider reinstating in-person voting.
Anderson will find out how much it would cost to reinstate in-person voting
- 5) Public Works Department
 - a. Street cleaning service – Do I need council permission to select?
 - i. Received two quotes
 1. Mathsen quote - \$125 per hour - estimated 9.5 hours = \$1187.50
 2. Prosweep quote - \$150 per hour per sweeper, \$100 per machine = estimated cost \$1200.00
 - ii. Getsman will reach out to Crookston and East Grand Forks to see if they would clean the streets.
 - iii. Bakken motioned for acquiring services with a max of \$1200. Seconded by Anderson. No discussion. Motion carries.
 - b. Pay loader (Pick/purchase prior to Nov 30)
 - i. Four to choose from

1. City of Janesville - \$79,500 + shipping = \$82,900
 2. RDO - used 2014 \$107,300, new \$113,000 6 - 8 months delay
 - ii. Wagner motioned to finance the new John Deere model 2022 440L at RDO and purchase the used Caterpillar from Janesville and authorize Bowen to process a check for the Caterpillar up to \$83,000. Seconded by Anderson. No discussion. Motion carries.
 - c. Hydrant Flushing - November
 - d. Discharge and Transfer - November
 - i. Getsman will purchase no hunting and trespassing signs.
 - e. Tree trimming
 - i. Railroad has not returned phone call.
 - ii. Getsman will trim the trees and invoice the railroad.
 - iii. Post notice on FB that Getsman will be trimming trees.
 - f. Facebook post – Do I need council permission or can I use best judgment?
 - i. Minnesota utility aid for qualified families (pay for heat and or water) - okay to post.
 - ii. Scholarship offering for students receiving the COVID – 19 vaccine - do not post.
 - g. Lawn mower – received check (wait to purchase)
 - i. Getting quotes.
 - ii. Bring to 12/13/2021 meeting.
 - h. Winterizing city
 - i. Winter projects/task the council would like to see done
 1. Holiday banners will be installed this week
 - ii. Notices sent out on home winterizing tips (council like to see this done) - post on FB
 - iii. Post office would like the city to plow the driveway between the old bank and post office and the parking lot. Council approved cleaning
 - ~~i. Darin Byklums sewer charge – moved to fisher forum~~
 - j. Sidewalk repair on 2nd st
 - i. Getsman will contact resident regarding repair of sidewalk.
- 6) Fire and First Responders
- a. Mailhot absent
- 7) Police Department
- a. No issues
- 8) Council Unfinished Business
- a. Delinquent water bills
 - b. Holiday Lights -
 - i. Consider additional Municipal Holiday Lights

- ii. See Examples in Attached Document (Holiday Lights)
- iii. Getsman will contact Valley Electric to see if they have municipal holiday lights.
- iv. Lights around the Firehall
 - 1. Wagner motioned to approve \$500 for purchasing holiday lights. Failed without a second.
 - 2. Anderson motioned to approve \$1000 for purchasing holiday lights. Failed without a second.
 - 3. City will use donated lights for this year's decorations.

9) Council New Business

- a. New Business - Budget 2022
- b. New Business - Mayor travel 2022
 - i. Elected Officials Conference
- c. Clauson motioned to contact MNDOT for closed road flashing lights for highway. Seconded by Wagner. No discussion. Motion carries.

10) Council Issues

- a. none

11) Approve October/November Disbursements

- a. Adam Wagner and Laurie Anderson reviewed bills prior to the meeting.
- b. Anderson motioned to approve the October/November disbursements of \$30,453.02. Seconded by Wagner. No discussion. Motion carries.

12) Adjourn at 9:02 pm

- a. Anderson motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Clauson. no discussion. Motion carries.

Next Regular Council Meeting Monday, December 13, 2021, 7:00 pm, Fisher School Library

Respectfully submitted,
Kara Bowen
City Clerk