

CITY OF FISHER  
MEETING MINUTES

Monday, August 3, 2020

Fisher Public School Library 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

Others: Jared Harshman (RDO), Brent Wagner

1. Meeting was called to order by Mayor Barrett at 7:02 pm.
2. Additions/Corrections were made to the agenda.
3. Approve Minutes from the July 6, 2020 meeting.  
*Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes from July 6, 2020 with corrections.*  
*Clauson seconded the motion. Corrections from last month's meeting: Bakken made a motion to approve the survey of Kittson and 5th St N. Clauson seconded the motion. Motion Carried.*
4. Fisher Forum:
  - a. Jared Harshman from RDO presented to the Council options for a New and Used Loader and Snow pusher options for snow removal.
  - b. Brent Wagner addressed the Council, would like the city to square up his field. He has an interested buyer for the lot that is on Thompson and Fletcher. Brent Wagner is responsible to have his own property lines redrawn. Once an owner (s) have been secured Council will readdress the issue.
  - c. Chamber of Commerce-Free Pet License Day  
*Anderson made a motion to approve Free Pet License Day. Clauson seconded the motion. Motion carried.*
5. Public Works:
  - a. TrueNorth quote - Adam suggested that we find equipment that is in the \$50,000 range that would be 10-15 years old.
  - b. Annual inspection on Lift Station - went well
    - i. State of MN is moving to two inspections a year
  - c. Secondary pond was discharged
  - d. NPL hit a curb stop on 7/31/2020 - Company will take care of all of the charges
  - e. Banners have been swapped out.
  - f. Averaging 40,000-50,000 gallons going through the lift station in July.
  - g. Will have do another discharge before the fall
6. Fire & First Responders:
  - a. Decals will be put on the Brush Truck this week.
  - b. Old ambulances will be brought to Grand Rapids, MN by the end of next week.
  - c. Shelby Conrad's background came back clear, with no concerns.  
*Clauson made a motion to approve the hiring of Shelby Conrad to the Volunteer Firefighters and First Responders. Bakken seconded the motion. Motion Carried.*
  - d. Furnace will be disposed of this week.
  - e. Firehall overhead doors bids from Casey Moulds \$5,985.00 and The Door Guy \$1,957.98.
    - i. Moving forward with The Door Guy to fix.

- f. One Medical and a fire alarm call.
- g. Mike Neilsen came in and fixed the siren.
- h. Car Fire training went well.

**7. Police:**

- a. Dog issue for running at large - spoke with owner and told them to leash them and register their dog.
- b. Speeding truck - owner has been addressed
- c. Golf Cart issues with children - Mike spoke with the parents.
  - i. Clerk send letter. No more warnings.
- d. Austin Smith- has to get training done with Brad Johnson. Has to get uniforms ordered and get community service.
- e. NPL has been damaging the streets.

**8. COUNCIL UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**a. Delinquent Utilities**

- i. #6-sent notice
- ii. #22-sent notice
- iii. #27-sent notice
- iv. #98-payment plan is set up and is following-will be caught up in August
- v. #106-sent notice
- vi. #109- set up payment plan
- vii. #137- sent notice
- viii. #371-sent notice
- ix. #8448298- sent notice
- x. #8448309-only \$16.73 was short paid
- xi. #8448315- sent notice
- xii. #8448348-sent notice

**b. RT Adams Building/Mike Vasek**

- i. Clerk spoke with Wayne Swanson, he recommended sending Vasek a letter stating that he has until September 1, 2020 (30 days) to have a building demolished. The letter also stated that if he was interested, the Fire Department would be willing to do a fire training.
- ii. Vasek spoke with Josh about doing fire training.

**c. Chickens -**

- i. Presented Ordinance 2020-01, Amending Fisher City Code Section 174 to allow Urban Chickens  
*Wagner made a motion to approve Ordinance 2020-01. Clauson seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

**d. Road Plan- Survey has been completed on Kittson and 5th. Now is the time to set up a plan on how to proceed with a plan. Taylor recommends doing a full depth from Kittson on 5th, address the drainage issues on 5th and doing a mill and overlay.**

**e. City Offices/Building Options**

- i. School Lease Termination
- ii. Moving Date- Last day Friday, August 21, 2020
- iii. Clerk Discretion to Dispose or sell items that are not needed anymore.
- iv. The Community Room will be where the City Office will be located.
- v. New lock is needed on the Community Room door.

**f. Budget requests-**

**g. Preliminary Levy amounts were given to the Council**

- h. Feasibility Study-WSN \$5,900.
- i. CARES Acting Spending - \$32,120 can be used for anything due to COVID. Any expenses that have accrued between March 1-Nov 15.
- j. Jake Larson-did install the rebar in the recommended locations that were suggested by Taylor.

**9. COUNCIL NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Yard of the Month for July: Hailey Clay
- b. Two meetings a month - Barrett suggests meeting twice a month due to cutting down meeting times. Wagner agrees to help speed the process up. Bakken, Clauson, Anderson would like to keep it once a month.
- c. Accepting a Donation - Resolution 2020-08

*Wagner made a motion to approve the Resolution 2020-08. Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

**11. Open Discussion/Clerk's Update:**

- A. \$100 Disconnection/reconnect fee - Barrett dislikes the dollar amount of the disconnection fee. Being that, those who are struggling to add an additional fee.

*Anderson made a motion to approve to reduce the fees to \$25 each for the 2021 Fee Schedule.*

*Wagner seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

- B. Council and Mayor pay 2021 - tabled

**12. Approved August's Disbursements:**

*Anderson made a motion to approve disbursements in the amount of \$181,078.60*

*Bakken seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

**13. Wager and Clauson will approve disbursements for next month.**

**14. Adjourn: *Bakken made a motion to adjourn. Clauson seconded the motion.***

***Meeting adjourned at: 10:20pm.***

***Next meeting: THURSDAY September 3, 2020 at 7:00pm in the Fisher Emergency Meeting***

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Wallace  
Clerk-Treasurer