

On Tuesday, August 17, 2010, at the Stockton City Hall, Mayor Chris Parker called to order the Stockton City Council meeting at 7:00 P.M. Council members in attendance were Chad Wangen and Doug Seberg. Lisa Gibbs and Dave Johannes were not in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Additions to the agenda were made by the Clerk under new business, Maps of watershed and City and DOT update. Leasah Lilla requested animal control be added under new business. Chad Wangen made a motion to accept the agenda with additions, motion seconded by Doug Seberg. Motion passed.

Doug Seberg made a motion to accept the July 2010 minutes, with a second from Chad Wangen. Motion passed.

Doug Seberg made a motion to accept the Financial Report with a second from Chad Wangen. Motion passed.

Old Business:

Water Project: Bill Trygstad was in attendance and discussion was held on what was left of the project. Some sodding in areas and all of the blacktop needs to be done. However, the blacktop company is busy with State and County roads and most likely be some time before they can get out here. All valve boxes and curb stops have been lowered and the leak behind Stockton Saloon has been fixed. The leak was draining into the old septic drain field and that is why the leak couldn't be found right away. Majority of the City's punch list has been taken care of, and residents can pull the stakes out of their yards. Bill Trygstad will get the map updated with all curb stops and lines to the City once they are finished. Heselton Pay Estimate number 6 is in the amount of \$42,188.72, this already has change orders 5 in the amount of \$4725 and 6 in the amount of \$5170.80. Both 5 & 6 were already approved by the City to pay.

Change order 7 is for City leak detection at a cost of \$2052.25 – Change order 8 is for the fence at 8900 Old Co. Rd. 23 at a cost of \$873.20 – Change Order 9 is for a sinkhole at 8600 Co. Rd. 23 for a cost of \$1097 – Change order 10 was for regarding the ditch along Hwy 14 for east of C Street at a cost of \$1,827 – Change order 11 was for regarding at 8270 E. Main Street for a cost of \$676. Change orders 10 & 11 will be given to MNDOT to look at since they were requesting the City re-grade these ditches. Change order 9, Jack Noll will take back to check on the buyout property listings to see if this should have been done during that time. Change order 7 & 8 will be taken into consideration at the next Committee meeting to discuss.

Reservoir: There was a punch list sent to Wapasha by Bill Trygstad, they have looked at the issued, but haven't resolved them. There has been no pay estimate since last June and won't be one until more work is done. Change Order 2 is for furnishing and installing 13 sleeve-it reinforcement units on back side of retaining wall for fence posts at a cost of \$1424.98. Since the City requested it council agrees to the Change order.

Sand point wells: Jack Noll stated the bid opening was today for the plumbers. There were 8 bids in all with Fitzgerald as the lowest of \$131,160. Harterts came next with \$133,589 and Blitz Construction for \$149,318. Joe Palen from Bonestroo will check all the bids to make sure they are all in order and he will take them to the HRA board tomorrow. There are currently 29 homeowners with a possibility of another one, providing there is money available. Construction will begin at the end of August or beginning of September, with a completion by Dec. 15. For the two emergency connections MPCA will not reimburse them, however the City should increase their administrative costs for the water meter fees and the plumbing permits to cover those two homes.

Jack Noll stated there should be about \$100,000 to \$150,000 left in excess for the water project. The engineering estimate for getting the line out to the Mobile Home Park is about \$180,000, so there would be about \$30,000 shortfall. Both the Committee members and the Council members agree getting it to the Mobile Home Park would be financial beneficial. Discussion was held with Dave McCorquodale in attendance on multiple meters or a single meter to the MHP. Mr. McCorquodale was requested to come to the next Committee meeting to discuss this on Monday, August 23rd, at 6:00 P.M.

Bonding projects: Since the project grant doesn't cover the cost of engineering, Bill Trygstad wanted to make sure the City knew they would be spending money of these projects. Engineering costs could run \$20,000 to \$30,000, but council would like Mr. Trygstad to bring estimated engineering costs to the Sewer and Water Committee on Monday

night. Mr. Trygstad could get the project bid out, with construction beginning in the spring. Since the projects are all under one state aid number they will have to be bid out all at the same time. Council would like to see Broadway and Fifth Street ditch done first as it is creating a large pond with heavy rains. Discussion was held on the East Fifth Street pond area, Jerry Johnson stated he has been trying different options but nothing is working yet. Mr. Johnson stated if he plugs the end of the ditch again it might work this time, but Council would like Chad Larson to be present when this is being done since it's on City Street.

N. Broadway Bridge: Tom Wilson called with an update; he stated the bids could go out week after Labor Day with the bid opening in October. Erickson Engineering needs to update the plan with the Committee changes and show the plans to Winona County for approval. Once that is done Mr. Wilson will send a bid schedule for the Council.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council wage ordinance: In order to raise the Council wages, an ordinance had to be created. Ordinance 2010-8-17, an ordinance defining the salaries of the Council members and Mayor was created. Council members shall be paid \$50 per month and \$75 per council meeting. Mayor shall be paid \$85 per month and \$100 per council meeting. Chad Wangen made a motion to hold a public hearing on September 14, 2010 at 6:45 P.M. for the discussion of the ordinance. Motion seconded by Doug Seberg. Motion passed. By State law these changes cannot take effect until after the new elected members are installed into office in January of 2011

Audit: Russell & Associates proposed fees for the years 2010 \$7,000, 2011 \$7250 and 2012 \$7500. Doug Seberg made a motion to accept the proposal from Russell & Associates with a second from Chad Wangen. Motion passed.

2011 Budget: Doug Seberg would like more revenue figures for 2010 and a projection for 2011. Mr. Seberg had a question on wages as far as the extra hours, which are for emergency circumstances that could be paid. Council would like to table until more council members in attendance and more revenue to work with.

Update from MNDOT: Mayor Parker has been working with the DOT for the 30 MPH zone through town. He would like the 30 MPH zone to go East past Wacholz drive instead of by the bridge. MNDOT will re-evaluate, and will put in Right Turn lane signs on both sides at Wacholz Drive and Rollin' Sunset Drive, since they are not up now. Based on the speed study that was already done, cars are doing 25 to 30 miles per hour through town. Mayor Parker will still pursue this.

Maps: Jack Roberts received from Winona Co. Planning a City of Stockton map and Stockton, Rollingstone, Minnesota City Watershed map. These maps are large and he requested the City to get them in frames and under glass, since they are up to date with new addition. Watershed District would reimburse for their map. Doug Seberg made a motion to ask Jerome Daniel to create these frames, with a second from Chad Wangen. Motion passed

Animal Control: Leasah Lilla left so no discussion

Complaints/Concerns:

East fifth Street pond area – already addressed

Action Items:

Written list of procedures

Building permits:

Konkel shed: Ryan Konkel called about what the requirements for a shed consisted of, as long as it's 10x12 square feet it is considered temporary and can be placed anywhere on the property. Since his shed is begin constructed with no permit and no plans, Council request the Clerk to get the Sheriff's Department to produce a stop work order and lock him out until Konkel comes into conformity. Council requested a fine of \$750, and destruction of the building

Chad's Business:

- The mower is fixed and will be back Wednesday, it required two new pumps.
- He would like to get another mower for the ditches, possibly get next spring or late December when sales are on. Should get estimates for a 48-inch deck mower for the next council meeting.
- Sewer control structures have cement in them for discharging. These are 6-foot round holes that the MPCA would like us to fix or replace since the cement is getting eaten by sewage. Chad was instructed to bring estimates to the Water & Sewer Committee next Monday.

Plumbers Mechanical Group gave estimates for City Water Connection for the City Hall, Hinton Park bathrooms and the Benicke Park bathrooms. Council would like to see a second estimate before making a decision.

Bill Trygstad suggested the plumber's backfill the curb stop area and compact it otherwise the City could have problems with the curb stops. Currently the plumbers are not back filling or compacting this area. Suggested putting this as part of the permit

Doug Seberg made a motion to close the Stockton City Council meeting with a second from Chad Wangen. Motion passed, meeting adjourned at 8:58 P.M.

Bethany Winchester
Clerk - Treasurer