

On Tuesday, February 14, 2017, at the Stockton City hall, Mayor Dave Johannes called to order at 7:00 PM the Stockton City Council meeting. Council members in attendance were Lisa Gibbs, Travis McElmury and Mark Potter. Council member not in attendance was Neil Hjelmeland.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Public voice forum: none

Mark Potter made a motion to accept the agenda, motion seconded by Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed.

Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the financial report and pay all bills. Motion seconded by Travis McElmury, motion passed.

Mark Potter made a motion to accept the January 17, 2017 minutes, with a second from Dave Johannes. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

New Well & addition: Bill Trygstad was not in attendance, but called to say Traut Wells took the water samples this morning for additional testing. He also stated to not pay anything until the results are back, in which case he will email Beth & Dave on the results.

Comprehensive Plan: Discussion was held on Mi-Energy and their new street lights not broadcasting out enough. To be added to the plan: Real Street lights along Highway 14, New Maintenance building, Park expansion to possibly include under 5 years old playground equipment, Restore Old Town Hall, and Flood Control structures such as rain & stream warning systems and diverting the creeks.

NEW BUSINESS

Ball fields: Travis McElmury asked about laying new material down for the fields, there is a layer of lime, but it has little rocks in it so the players don't want to slide. Lisa Gibbs will talk with Winona Nursery about the ultrasound machine that vibrates the lime back up to the surface. And Mark Potter will see what Winona lays down and price out the material for it.

Capital Asset Policy: Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the policy with a second from Mark Potter. Motion passed.

Resolution 2017-March-14: To show support of Southeast Minnesota Regional Economic Development Study, to address the coming changes to our region. This will be to a study to encourage and inform community planning efforts, including such things as engineering studies, housing studies, upgrading infrastructures, and other preparations. These studies will be made available to the City by March 15, 2019. This will need to be posted for 10 days, and be ready for the next council meeting.

CITY MAINTENANCE

Maintenance Garage: Wick Buildings drew up a 60' x 40' garage with cement floor, double steel walls with 6" insulation, 4 bays, which one is larger for the dump truck. Cost is \$56,000 for materials, delivery and construction, concrete \$15,000 and doors at \$10,750 with openers, installation and remotes. Rough estimate is \$81,750, still need electricity quote, and the excavating quote. The money would come from the General Capital Equipment funds, \$35,000, the Sewer Capital Equipment funds, \$15,000, the Charter Franchise funds, \$20,000 and the HBC Franchise Funds at \$20,000. Mark Potter made a motion to set the budget at \$99,000, with a second from Travis McElmury. Motion passed.

- Chad Larson stated he has been cutting down ash trees as there are Emerald Ash borers. The City will need to replant more trees in the park, Lisa Gibbs will consider planting different species of trees.

Lisa Gibbs made a motion to close the Stockton City Council meeting, with a second from Travis McElmury. Motion passed, meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM

Mayor Dave Johannes opened the Closed Employee meeting at 8:11 PM.

Employees are requesting a 3.5% raise. The COLA for 2017 is .3% and National Average is 1.7%.

Lisa Gibbs stated the time clocks have not been utilized, there will be one at the City Hall and one at the Maintenance garage. The employees would need to clock out for lunch, and lock the doors.

Mark Potter made the motion to grant the 3.5% raise beginning February 16, 2017. Motion seconded by Travis McElmury. Motion passed.

Lisa Gibbs made a motion to close the closed Employee meeting, with a second from Travis McElmury. Motion passed, closed meeting adjourned at 8:29 PM.