

On Tuesday, July 13, 2010, at the Stockton City Hall, Mayor Chris Parker called to order the Stockton City Council meeting at 7:02 P.M. Council members in attendance were Lisa Gibbs, Dave Johannes, Chad Wangen, and Doug Seberg.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Additions to the agenda were made by the Clerk under new business Maxine & Jerome Daniel and under old business Alliant Energy. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the agenda with additions, motion seconded by Doug Seberg. Motion passed.

Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the June 2010 minutes with a second from Doug Seberg. Motion passed.

Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the Financial Report and to pay all bills except bill the homeowner for the Winona Co. Sheriff's Department for the certified letter. Motion seconded by Chad Wangen. Motion passed.

Old Business:

Water project: Bill Trygstad was not in attendance. Meeting was held with Wayne Schauble, Bill Trygstad, Dave Johannes and Beth Winchester on discussion of liquid damages. Mr. Schauble recommends getting all of our revenue and expenses lined up before we go after Liquid damages and suggested a letter be written to Heselton stating the City is looking into liquid damages. The project still needs some sodding done, repair of blacktop, the punch list and final clean up before the project is complete. Also discussed holding back the 5% since the City isn't happy with their compliance, though it would open it up for Heselton to sue the City for that money. The punch list should be posted on the bulletin board and website so everyone can see if they are on the list. Council would like Bill Trygstad to write the letter suggesting the City is looking into liquid damages.

Sand points have a tentative project schedule, with bids going out July 28th and opening on August 17th. Construction should begin September 1st with final completion about December 15th.

Special assessments will be for those property owners that would like to have their plumbing bill paid by the City and assessed against their property was discussed. The Lewiston CD is due at the end of the August and will be placed in the General Fund when due, City will currently use the General Fund to pay out of. Doug Seberg made a motion to have them assessed at 5.5% for 15-years for those that have signed up until December 31, 2010, Chad Wangen seconded the motion. Doug Seberg amended the motion to extend until July 1, 2011 as long as the funding is there from the CD for those that chose to hook up beyond the original owners, Chad Wangen seconded the amendment. Motion passed. Clerk Winchester will need to call the original 31 that requested assessment in April 2011 to check if they are going through with the hook up.

Flood bonding: not ready.

North Broadway Bridge: Mike Wadewitz would like to strike the "for the temporary bypass lane" on the planning & zoning committee minutes. Bill Huber from the DNR emailed Dave Kramer and stated they didn't have any problem with the project being constructed in 2011. Current costs for the abutments are \$114,218; sewer extension cost \$55,120 with engineering fee for construction \$ 47,040. The Sewer checking account can pay for the sewer extension and \$20,000 from general funds and \$5,000 from Road & Bridge fund, the City would need to bond for the remaining \$136,000. Tom Wilson, Erickson Engineer stated he will not make the changes by the committee since they are easy to do and would like the City to sign the construction contract before any other work begins. Doug Seberg made a motion to move forward with the bidding only, and to have the bid proposal at the September council meeting. Motion seconded by Dave Johannes. Motion passed.

Alliant Energy – The letter that Mayor Parker was going to write on behalf of Kevin Lorenz for the line referb. However, the referb will be done from the Lewiston junction through Stockton, beginning in January 2011. Maxine Daniel stated the electric bill will be going up 22%, Clerk Winchester will need to look at Franchise agreement to see if they can do that.

NEW BUSINESS:

2009 Audit: Lynda Rickoff from Russell & Associates went over the audit with the council. The Governmental funds, (checking, flood, franchise, promo, road&bridge, etc.) are up \$49,000 from last year. The GO Street bond of 1999 is \$340,000 and the City has enough money to pay off the bond. General fund balance is \$578,654; the City should

formally designate those funds by resolution to show the State Auditor where the money is going to. FEMA still has to pay us for the 2007 Flood, but Bill Trygstad still needs to write a letter to FEMA in order to close out that account. General Fund vs Budget: actual amount \$332,300 of revenue and \$233,435 of expenses, so the City overspent by \$98,865 but Channelization grant was \$20,000 and another \$3,000 for 1st Responder of Promotional group 10% donation. Sewer & Water operating Funds: last year total was \$1.5 million but this year it was \$4.5 million due to reservoir and water mains. Contract for deed on the well house is paid off. The income statement for the sewer & water accounts are operating at a loss for both accounts. The internal control problems since it is a one person office, still getting QuickBooks records cleaned up, though the bills are being monitored by the Mayor, and the City hired Russell & Associates to do statements for our Audit. The Council should be getting a budget vs actual reports, and the clerk should be recording payroll with actual benefits, changing the sewer & water billing to statements and not actual bills, and changing the passwords. Russell & Associates have ended their three year contract, and will get a new three-year proposal to the Clerk. Dave Johannes made a motion to approve of the 2009 audit, with a second from Doug Seberg. Motion passed unanimously.

Primary Elections will be August 10th; and no public meetings can take place that day. Dave Johannes made a motion to move the Council meeting to Tuesday, August 17th, with a second from Doug Seberg. Motion passed.

Resolution 2010-07-13 for adoption of Election Judges, for the primary and general election. The City appoints Nancy Beach, Sharon Logan, Joanne Ziegweid, Val Clarke, & Beth Winchester as election judges. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the resolution with a second from Doug Seberg. Motion passed.

Ball Field signs: Request no parking signs along south side of Ninth Street and West of Broadway. Discussion was held on a split rail fence or posts with cables. Doug Seberg made a motion to have posts with cable along the road, and not to exceed \$2,000 for the project. Dave Johannes seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Jerome & Maxine Daniel are having a dispute with their neighbor Donna & Ryan Konkel who hired Blong's Tree Service to cut down a tree in the front yard. Konkel's lawyer stated the City gave their permission to cut the tree down. Mayor Parker would like the name and date of who said it was okay to cut the tree down. City did not give permission to cut down the tree, nor were we notified the Konkel's were going to cut the tree down.

Action items:

- written list of procedures from Chad, still working on

Building Permits:

- Demolition of 8320 W. Main, and repair of inside of flooded home, but no permit needed for demolition.

Chad's Business:

- 8290 W. 6th still has a septic tank on the lot, Clerk Winchester will see if the demolition grant will still cover this
- Water & Sewer school at Spring Grove will be July 21 & 22, Chad will be gone all day.
- Well needs auto dialer and light, he was instructed it is maintenance and to get it done.
- Generator needs trailer and it has been ordered
- Chad will be gone last week of August into September, let Greg know of his vacation.
- Would like a new weed eater, general maintenance and needs his tools.

Discussion was held on not hearing the Emergency Siren when it goes off.

Discussed having signs up on all of the green space and City owned properties requesting "No motorized vehicles".

Dave Johannes made a motion to close the Stockton City Council meeting with a second from Doug Seberg. Motion passed, meeting adjourned at 9:17 P.M.