

On Tuesday, March 10, 2009, 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 Cheryl Beeman, Dave Johannes, Lisa Gibbs and Rick Przytarski.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Clerk Winchester added under new business sign reflection and fee schedule. Cheryl Beeman added under new business bidding jobs. Rick Przytarski made a motion to accept the agenda with additions, seconded by Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed.

Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the February 2009 Council meeting and public hearing, with a second from Cheryl Beeman. Motion passed.

Addition to the bills to be paid for Nick Walter for the inducer motor on the gym furnace in the amount of \$421.56, the general checking total will be \$9667.90. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the Financial Report with additional bill, seconded by Cheryl Beeman. Motion passed.

There were no changes in the Flood Financials, Clerk Winchester is hoping to sign off on all projects and close out the FEMA contracts within the next two weeks. Leasah Lilla asked why the fence between her property and the ball fields were not put back as it was before. Dave Johannes will get a bid for this fence and submit it to FEMA for payment. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the Flood Financials with a second from Cheryl Beeman. Motion passed.

Bill Trygstad could not make the meeting tonight, but had called the clerk earlier. They have not finished the water project, but should have plans finalized by the Sewer/Water Committee meeting on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. At the previous Committee meeting the members requested the final plan be available for the City Council for review at least a week prior to our meeting. Bill Trygstad has no plans for the Channelization Study at this time either.

Key list was passed out to the Council members, Clerk Winchester already passed keys out, otherwise she would have had to stay late to lock up after other groups. Three First Responders still needed to pick up their keys, and Hillsdale Township requested a second back up set. Dave Johannes stated the SAPG also would like a back up set. Council agreed for a second set to Hillsdale Township and for SAPG gambling manager to come and request a second set at the next meeting.

Lee Henry requested to re-zone his property to R-2. Rick Przytarski made a motion to hold a public hearing on May 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 P.M. for rezoning. Motion seconded by Dave Johannes. It was also stipulated Mr. Henry be notified in writing of the meeting and if not in agreement with the date, to have it changed but he would foot the bill for a special meeting. Clerk will need at least ten days to post notices to surrounding homeowners.

Planning/Zoning Committee requested to deny the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for Pete Bambenek due to lack of demonstrated hardship. Since the ordinance states maximum of 500 square feet the committee would stick with the ordinance. Council denied the CUP due to lack of hardship.

For the Flood Bonding projects Bill Trygstad stated on the phone to the Clerk that the retention pond project is done. Mr. Trygstad will need to meet with Dave Kramer, the Winona County Engineer, to discuss the projects for a possible State Aid number and combining some of the projects for a lesser cost on engineering. Jack Roberts stated residents are already seeing the effects of the ditches and

culverts being flooded by spring thaw. Chad Larson has done some culvert and ditch clean out and will make an inventory of ones that still need to be cleaned.

The ball field parking lot still has concrete and dirt that will need to be removed. Dave Johannes stated Potter Construction might have that as a line item as part of the ball field bid, but the City would still need to pay for that to be removed. Mr. Johannes will check the contract with Potter Construction.

The City currently uses the 1994 valuation fee schedule, this is updated by the State every year in May. Mayor Parker and the clerk have been working on a new schedule and propose the valuation be based on the current schedule set up by the State minus five years to become the City's new valuation schedule. Also the City's current building permit fee is from 1988. Mayor Parker proposes \$70 for the first \$2,000 valuation plus \$11.50 for any additional \$1,000 valuation, the City would receive 25% instead of the current 15%. Mayor Parker would like the Council to review the building permit fees and valuation fees and discuss this at the next council meeting.

Mayor Parker also created a catalog for city ordinances and petitions based on description, number of ordinance, and month & year it was passed. Again, Mayor Parker would like the Council to review this for discussion at the next council meeting.

Mayor Parker and Clerk Winchester have been working a fee schedule. The Council received the latest draft of the fee schedule. Mayor Parker would like to establish a public hearing for the fee schedule ordinance adoption. The fee schedule must be revisited at the end of every year for the next year's fees. Rick Przytarski requested to give the fee schedule to the Planning/Zoning Committee to work on as a program since some of the ordinances are older. This would include the building permit fees as well.

The State is putting minimum requirements on reflective signage. Chad Larson was requested to get an inventory of all signs, to be given to the County to get funding in the current bill. Clerk Winchester will also give Chad the requirements.

Cheryl Beeman asked about the bidding requirements for the City. The State mandates the price of \$50,000 before two bids are needed. The council would need to regulate if they would like to have more than one bid.

Chad Larson is looking for a generator for the well. The current bid is for \$13,300 without the tractor to run it, the tractor would cost about \$60,000. If the generator had it's own flat bed, the cost would be \$31,000. Clerk Winchester is working with Lewiston Fire Department and the state for federal excess property, the City would need to go and get the generator in Grand Rapids, Minnesota, but the cost of the generator would be free.

Chad would like to take vacation April 1<sup>st</sup> through April 7<sup>th</sup> and does have a back up to check sewer and water for that week.

Mayor Parker requested the Green space committee meet more often to finalize plans for the June deadline.

Rick Przytarski made a motion to close the Stockton Council meeting, with a second by Dave Johannes. Motion passed, meeting adjourned at 8:29 P.M.