

On Tuesday, March 22, 2016, at Stockton City Hall, Mayor Dave Johannes called to order the Stockton City Council meeting at 7:00 PM. Council members in attendance were Lisa Gibbs, Neil Hjelmeland, Jack Roberts and Travis McElmury.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Public Voice Forum: This should be taken off the alternate agenda. Jack Roberts asked Chad about trimming overhanging trees on the City Streets, such as North Broadway and the E. 9th Street area.

Jack Roberts made a motion to accept the March 8, 2016 minutes, with a second from Dave Johannes. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Radium Violation: Bill Trygstad was in attendance with the final wellhouse addition and new well plans. There are sections still to be done on the wellhouse addition, but will be sent in on March 30th. MN Department of Health has a plan review fee of \$400 for the watermains and new well, and \$150 for the Pumphouse, that the City will need to pay.

Jack Roberts made a motion to assign Mayor Dave Johannes and Clerk Beth Winchester as official signers for the 2016 new well and wellhouse addition project. Neil Hjelmeland seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

The 35-page application was emailed to all council members to look through. Clerk Winchester and Bill Trygstad went through the application on Thursday and finished up all the forms. Form 3a is for the annual operation and maintenance cost for three years, form 3b is current debt, which the city does not have, form 3c is system costs and residential and nonresidential users and where the City will be in 20 years. Form 3d is the City's cash flow projection, showing expenses vs revenues, with raises to the user rates every 3-4 years to keep the fund in surplus. Form 4B is the drinking water project budget with construction costs. Supporting data will be the last three years of audits, the general and water budget, water ordinance and rate sheet, land appraisal, top 10 tax payers certified by the Winona County Auditor, last 5 years of building permits, any planned capital financing projects, population from the US Census, and the largest City employees. Form 5 is compliance with Federal and State, laws, rules and regulations and Form 6 is the Fair Share Statement and disadvantaged business enterprise certification. Resolution 2016-March-22 states the City is applying to the MN PFA for improvements to their drinking water system as described in the loan application, and the City is asking for \$515,715 at 1.5% interest over a 20-year period, that the City has a legal authority to apply and the financial capacity to repay the loan. Jack Roberts made the motion to accept Resolution 2016-March-22, with a second from Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed unanimously. Clerk Winchester will send in the PFA application with all forms and supplemental data and Mr. Trygstad will send in the MN Dept. of Health plan reviews before the end of March.

Mobile Home Park Antenna: LMCIT will be taking the case, appearing for the City and will only need Clerk Winchester if requested, for the \$500 deductible and 15% of the court case. The Mayor and Clerk made the decision to go with LMCIT in appearing for the City.

Water Rate Study: Part of the PFA application is doing a water rate study; the city will need to anticipate a raise of \$12 per base rate and \$6.50 per 1,000 gallons for the year 2017. Mike Wadewitz discussed that instead of raising the rate by \$1.00 every three or four years, to raise the water rate by a quarter every year instead. Jack Roberts stated raise it to \$11.50 base fee to \$6.00 per 1,000 gallon. Lisa Gibbs made a motion to raise it to \$6.00 per 1,000 gallons

used and keep the base rate at \$11.00, effective May 1, 2016. Neil Hjelmeland seconded the motion, motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Park Beautification: Not supposed to be on the agenda since it wasn't on the agenda at noon on Thursday.

Lisa Gibbs made a motion to close the Stockton City Council meeting, motion seconded by Jack Roberts. Motion passed, meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.