

On Wednesday, May 10, 2023, Mayor Dave Johannes called to order the Stockton City Council meeting at Stockton City Hall at 6:00 PM. Council members in attendance were Mark Potter, Lisa Gibbs, Brian Koetz and Carissa Blagborne.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Public Voice Forum: none

Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the agenda; motion seconded by Mark Potter. Motion passed.

Mark Potter made a motion to accept the financial report and to pay all bills. Motion seconded by Lisa Gibbs; motion passed.

Brian Koetz made a motion to accept the April 11, 2023, minutes; seconded by Carissa Blagborne. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

8220 E. Main: Property has been cleaned and is now in compliance. Lisa Gibbs made a motion to dismiss the pending court case in Winona County and that Al Wieser has the authorization to sign and file a Notice of Dismissal without Prejudice to the court. Brian Koetz seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

Liquor License: Mark Potter made a motion to renew the off-sale liquor license for JLL Pumphouse and on-sale liquor license for Riser's Pub. Motion seconded by Carissa Blagborne; motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

2022 Audit: Monica Hauser from Hawkins Ash was in attendance to discuss the 2022 audit. The General Funds have a balance of \$1,134,100; the Sewer & Water Reserve funds have a balance of \$550,955 and the Blacktop Funds have a balance of \$79,153. General funds had an increase of \$7,862; sewer & water reserves had an increase of \$56,217 and Blacktop had a decrease of (\$143,193). The water checking account has a loss of (\$118,930) and taking out depreciation, it would still have a loss of (\$7786). The Sewer Checking account had a loss of (\$385) and added back depreciation cost at profit of \$39,533. Money has been assigned for several things such as equipment, water connection, trees, hall improvements, old town hall renovations, and streetlights. The budget to actual has a profit on revenues but a loss on expenses due to the Capital Outlay expenses like blacktopping, new tractor and a new fridge/freezer that cannot be budgeted for. The city is healthy, and they found no discrepancies. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the 2022 audit; motion seconded by Brian Koetz. Motion passed unanimously.

BUILDING PERMITS

8740 Locust Lane: Dave Pringle will be putting up a new home on the lot. Greg Olson has not gotten back to me about approval. Mark Potter made a motion to accept the building plans pending Greg Olson's approval. Motion seconded by Carissa Blagborne; motion passed.

Rezone to R-3: Dalton Cook was in attendance to request rezoning the property at the corner of 6th Street and County Road 23 to R-3 for an apartment building. The parcel is currently zoned as R-2, meaning townhomes, twin homes, or duplexes but not apartment buildings. Discussion was held on how many units, anywhere between 8 to 16 apartments, could be placed inside the building. Mark Potter made a motion to hold a public hearing on Tuesday, June 13, 2023, at 6:00 pm with a council meeting to follow. Carissa Blagborne seconded the motion; motion carried.

CITY MAINTENANCE

Pond Rip Rap: There were 4 companies that bid on the project and O'Laughlin Trucking & Excavating came out with the lowest at \$115,739.60. Mark Potter made a motion to award the project to O'Laughlin Trucking; motion seconded by Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed unanimously. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept Change Order No. 1, reducing the total cost of the project by \$5,000 due to the change in rip rap used. Carissa Blagborne seconded the motion; motion passed.

Chad Larson stated that pumps at Lift station #3 will be rebuilt and will be off-line for a few hours. Discussion was held on street sweeping.

Mark Potter closed the Council meeting for a continuation due to the closed employee session. Brian Koetz seconded the motion; motion carried at 6:29 PM.

Mayor Dave Johannes opened the closed employee meeting to discuss the 2 applications for part-time mowing help and the interviews that Mayor Johannes and Mrs. Blagborne had done on Monday, May 8th. The 2 applicants were Dane Wilbright and Duane Eide. Discussion was held on both parties. Mark Potter adjourned the closed employee meeting; motion seconded by Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed.

Mayor Dave Johannes opened the continuation of the council meeting at 6:35 PM.

PART TIME EMPLOYEE: Mark Potter made a motion to hire Dane Wilbright at \$12.00 per hour; motion seconded by Carissa Blagborne. Motion passed unanimously. Chad Larson would like for him to start on Monday, May 15th at 10:00 AM.

Lisa Gibbs made a motion to close the Stockton City Council meeting, with a second from Carissa Blagborne. Motion passed unanimously; meeting adjourned at 6:38 pm.