

On Tuesday, May 8, 2012, at the Stockton City Hall, Mayor Chris Parker opened the Public Hearing at 6:45 p.m. for the fencing amendment to the Zoning Ordinance. Council members in attendance were Dave Johannes and Lisa Gibbs. Not in attendance were Doug Seberg and Chad Wangen.

The Fencing amendment will need to change on Subsection 18 and be at 15 feet not 20 or 10 feet from the street and from the driveway.

Mayor Parker asked for a second time on discussion.

Mayor Parker asked for a third and final time for discussion.

Chris Parker made a motion to close the public hearing, with a second from Dave Johannes. Motion passed, public hearing was adjourned at 6:54 P.M.

On Tuesday, May 8, 2012, at the Stockton City Hall, Mayor Chris Parker called to order the Stockton City Council meeting at 6:58 P.M. Council members in attendance were Chad Wangen, Dave Johannes and Lisa Gibbs. Doug Seberg was not in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Additions to the Agenda were made by Clerk Winchester under old business the 4-H Rehab, and under new business elections. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the agenda with additions, seconded by Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed.

Chris Parker made a motion to accept the April 2012 minutes with a second from Dave Johannes. Motion passed.

Additions were made to the general bills to be paid and water bills to be paid. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the financial reports with a additions. Motion seconded by Chris Parker. Motion passed

OLD BUSINESS:

4-H group: 4-H Peppy pals will do a Park rehab for the City Hall block on Saturday, June 2, 2012. They will salvage the shrubs around the building and place along fence line, also place more wood chips under the playground equipment.

Water project: Bill Trygstad was in attendance, and Wapasha will be here on Thursday for the crack repairs. Wapasha was here today to clean off the area. Final payment will go to HRA for payment.

Phase III: Blumentritt did topography work already; next Bill Trygstad will lay out the plans. MNDOT will not have any issue with permits, and the railroad has not called back yet. Daryl Potter stated there is probably not an easement, but if we do have a parallel for sewer & water lines then the City should get a 30-foot easement for both sections. First meeting could be in June with permits sent to MNDOT, railroad and state. Possibly advertise and place the bids in the first part of August, with building in late September or early October. Bill Trygstad will work with Lee Potter on the project since they requested the ground be undisturbed in October for an outside wedding. The letter for Dave McCorquodale will need to be drafted and sent that he must hook into the Water system no later than June of 2014. Bill Trygstad will also work with Dave Wadewitz on where the system will go through the land they lease from the City for the crop planting. City will need to contact the HRA to see if they will help with the grant management on Phase III as well.

4 of the water meters were sent to Mid America and three of the four has pipe dope inside the chamber.

Heselton: Letter to go out about the blacktop from Bill Trygstad, there is 9 spots that will need to be taken care of.

2007 Flood Bonding: nothing to report, the grass is growing, but the rocks still need to be fixed. Possible have smaller rock placed there instead of the large size.

9th St. Ditch re-grading: There is no blockage, so it will need to be reshot by Trygstad, Mr. Trygstad thinks that the ditch is too low, since it still holds water.

North Broadway Bridge: Tom Wilson was in attendance: There is a punch list which is still not addressed, Mr. Wilson will met with Minnowa and the paving sub and will go through each item with them out on the site. Mayor Parker, Wm Wehlage and Mike Wadewitz would all like to be there to discuss their concerns. The Council agreed that the blacktop should be fixed and not deducted from the pay estimate, since it would need to be fixed in the future. Erickson engineering would like to be paid from their December invoice of \$4,707.63, Mayor Parker requested to table this until the meeting with the contractor can be arranged. The bill will be placed on the May 22nd council meeting to discuss.

Speed Signs: \$10,150 is the new quote, and the City has received the \$2500 from the Alliant Energy Foundation. Jack Roberts stated the MN City bus company may give money for these signs.

Pay Step Schedule: Council would rather it state Pay Guidelines and not Pay Scales. Chris Parker made a motion to accept the pay guidelines, with a second from Chad Wangen. Dave Johannes voted no and Lisa Gibbs abstained from the vote. Vote failed, project will be tabled for further information.

Council Wages: Per Council meeting the mayor will get \$65 per meeting and \$85 per month and council \$50 per meeting, and \$50 per month. Chris Parker made a motion to hold a public hearing on May 22nd at 6:45 P.M. Motion seconded by Dave Johannes. Motion passed.

Welcome Signs: One of the locations is still tied up, but the husband is sick and the wife will be getting someone to come in to finish the driveway. Clerk Winchester will contact the homeowner to find out what the City can do to get this project finished.

Water incentives: Discussion was held to extend the time of waiving the hook-up fees to further induce the sale of homes in town. Chris Parker made a motion to extend the waiving of hook-up fees on all property for new hook ups until December 2012. Motion seconded by Chad Wangen. Motion passed.

Fencing Amendment: Chris Parker made a motion to accept the fencing amendment of the Zoning Ordinance, with the changes to 15' on Subsection 11. Dave Johannes seconded the motion, motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

JR Henry: On Saturday, June 2nd he will have an Audio Design event out at the house on Co. Rd. 23. There are no permit regulations on holding such an event. The hours are from noon to 8:00 p.m. and will be about 50 cars. Clerk was instructed to look into noise regulations and get back to Mr. Henry.

Budget Levy: Tax Rate went up 11% for the whole county.

MNWARN: Is a mutual aid agreement for water, wastewater and storm water utilities for any community that signs up for the agreement. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the agreement with a second by Chris Parker. Motion passed.

Elections: Filing begins May 22 to June 5th for two council members at a four-year term and Mayor for a two-year term. Filing is done at Stockton City Hall with a cost of \$2.00.

Complaint:

- Dan Merchlewitz: Has two doors on his car port which need to be removed. Since he is not following his CUP he is subjected to a fine. The doors need to be removed or he will be fined \$500 and he must request a new CUP or have the whole building removed.

- Gary Smith: Has not moved their shed, which is in the floodway, but less than 120' square feet and on skids. If it has been over a year since the last letter then send the another letter, but if not, fine them for not moving it.

CHAD'S BUSINESS:

- He would like to request new lime for the ball fields. Dave Johannes will check into getting lime or the alternative for lime.

- Part Time worker and Water & Sewer sub: Chris Parker has contacted the City of Winona to see if they have any employees willing to contract with us.

- Wm Wehlage asked about who is suppose to mow the right-of-way, in residential areas, it is the homeowners responsibility. He has seen Chad mowing up Hwy 14 out of the new subdivision toward Winona, and Wehlage is stating there is more than one person complaining about where Chad is mowing. It was suggested Lisa Gibbs make a mowing map, and discuss it at the May 22nd Council meeting. Council will wait to hire a part time mower until after that map.

Steve Jacob from Whitewater Township wants to run for County commissioner, and wanted to come around and see what kind of issues and concerns residents and communities are facing. Chris Parker stated our Co. Sheriff should be held accountable for our ordinances, which he is not enforcing. Another area for improvement is the Hazard mitigation and flood planning plan for the whole of Winona County.

Chris Parker made a motion to close the Stockton City Council meeting, with a second from Dave Johannes. Motion passed, meeting adjourned at 8:34 P.M.