

On Tuesday, November 10, 2020, Mayor Dave Johannes called to order the Stockton City Council meeting at 6:02 PM. Council members in attendance were Mark Potter, Lisa Gibbs, and Travis McElmury. Council member Neil Hjelmeland arrived at 6:25 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Public Voice Forum: none

Travis McElmury made a motion to accept the agenda to open the Truth-in-Taxation meeting. Mark Potter seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the financial reports and to pay all bills, with a second from Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed unanimously.

Mark Potter made a motion to accept the October 13, 2020 minutes; with a second from Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

- **E. 9th Street Sewer:** Curt Marx was in attendance to discuss the Pay Estimate #1 to Elcor Construction. All sewer is put in, there are 4 already on the sewer line. Original contract was \$166,779, completed to date is \$97,341; minus the 5%, it comes to \$92,473.95. With remaining, plus retainage is \$74,305.05. Discussion was held on what Elcor will do in the Spring. Mark Potter made a motion to accept Pay Estimate #1, in the amount of \$92,473.95. Motion seconded by Travis McElmury; motion passed unanimously.

Change Order #1 is to have the mill and overlay begin at the first manhole and move East to the entire cul-de-sac. This will increase costs in the amount of \$19,760. Mark Potter made a motion to accept Change Order #1, with a second from Dave Johannes. Motion passed.

Discussion was held on cleaning areas, restoration needed, and soil erosion in the dry run.

- **Old Town Hall renovations:** no information

- **CARES Grants:** 2nd to last expense report went to the state on November 9th, there is \$1,866.44 left out of \$54,320. Administration costs of \$2108 – Payroll/work from home costs \$13,418.20 – new computers \$5220.83 – Public Safety \$8300 – PPE \$9906.53 – Small business grants \$13500. Final report will be November 18th, with a check of the remainder sent to Winona County at that time.

- **New Audit Company:** 1) BerganKDV of Minneapolis quoted \$16,700 – 2) Smith Schafer of Rochester at \$17,000 – 3) Hawkins Ash of LaCrosse at \$9500 – 4) Clifton Larson Allen at \$14070. Neil Hjelmeland made a motion to accept the quote from Hawkin Ash company, with a second from Mark Potter. 4 ayes, Travis McElmury opposed.

NEW BUSINESS

-- **Strategic Plan:** Mayor Johannes would like the council to come up with new projects to place on the plan. An updated listing has been provided; it will be discussed at the February 2021 meeting.

-**Beth Vacation:** Clerk Winchester will be off for 2 weeks because of surgery scheduled for November 19th. Office will be closed on Thursday, November 19 and Friday, November 20th. And Thursday, November 26th and Friday, November 27th. Margo Riemann will be in on certain days, and the office will be closed due to a COVID test a week before surgery.

- **Certified Levy:** Resolution 2020-Nov-10 directing the delinquent utility charges to be placed on the 2021 property tax rolls. Current amount is \$9,880.21. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept Resolution 2020-Nov-10; with a second from Travis McElmury. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Election Results:** County Canvassing will be Friday, November 13th. Resolution 2020-November-13 to certify the results on the General Election on November 3rd. Votes tabulated were for Mayor, 2-year term with David Johannes having 251 votes, and Chris Parker with 162 votes and 6 write-in votes. Council member 2-year term with Lisa Gibbs having 291 votes and Mark Potter with 334 votes, with 20 write-in votes. There were 459 registered votes and 435 people voted. Elected will be for Mayor David Johannes and Council members Lisa Gibbs and Mark Potter. Neil Hjelmeland made a motion to accept the Resolution 2020-November-13, with a second from Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed unanimously.

CITY MAINTENANCE

- **Dan Merchlewitz trees:** Mr. Merchlewitz would like the trees in the alleyway trimmed, as it is an open alley. Chad Laron and Mark Potter will measure and check to make sure the trees are on City property first.

Dave Johannes made a motion to close the Truth-in-Taxation meeting, with a second from Mark Potter. Motion passed.

Travis McElmury made a motion to close the Stockton City Council meeting, with a second from Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed unanimously; meeting adjourned at 6:53 PM.