

On Tuesday, November 9, at 6:45 P.M., Mayor Chris Parker called to order the Public Hearing for Pete Bambenek request to vacate the alleyway in Block 43, lots 4-8. Council members Dave Johannes and Chad Wangen were present.

Mayor Parker asked for discussion on the alleyway.

Mayor Parker asked a second time for discussion.

Mayor Parker asked a third and final time.

Dave Johannes made a motion to close the Public Hearing with a second from Chad Wangen. Motion passed. Public hearing adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

On Tuesday, November 9, 2010, 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 Chad Wangen, Dave Johannes, and Doug Seberg. Council member Lisa Gibbs was not in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Addition was made to add under old business the vacated alleyway, under new business a snow plow contract, fencing under the Planning & Zoning Committee updates and Leasah Lilla's driveway under the water project. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the agenda, with additions. Motion seconded by Doug Seberg. Motion passed.

Correction on page 2 of the October 2010 minutes; under Council wage ordinance it should state that Mayor Parker voted to break the quorum vote, not a tie. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the October 2010 minutes with correction. Motion seconded by Chad Wangen. Motion passed.

Doug Seberg made a motion to accept the Financial Report with a second from Chad Wangen. Motion passed.

Old Business:

Water Project: Bill Trygstad was not in attendance but did call the clerk. Wapasha still has to put on the covers, and the slopes are not seeding. There was no pay estimates submitted for either project, Bill Trygstad is hoping for final payments at the December council meeting. Chad Larson has the curb stops, currently there were two that didn't have the pipe and about 10 partially crimped, three were open and the rest were fully crimped. Bill Trygstad suggested a discussion at the Sewer/Water Committee meeting since the sand point wells should be finished by then.

Leasah Lilla: Still has cracks in her concrete that no one has looked at, she will be home Thursday until 3:30 or Friday to look at driveway. Council requested Bill Trygstad to look at this to find out what the cause was.

Flood Bonding: Bill Trygstad stated at the December council meeting he should have plans for the council to look over. Discussion was held on the E Street culvert project. If the project moves forward the next flood could wash away what is placed there and create a problem. Also might not be able to mow if too steep. **Action Item:** Council requested to have Bill Trygstad to talk with the homeowner to see what he was requesting and discuss the options.

North Broadway Bridge: Tom Wilson of Erickson Engineering was in attendance for any questions. Minnowa Construction was the lowest bidder at \$549,642.25; with Lunda Construction coming in at \$611,501.25, and Duinink Companies at \$614,520.45. The \$50,000 in bridge inspection fees from Erickson Engineering is if the City hires them to inspect the bridge, normally the County does the inspections. Clerk was instructed to check back with Dave Kramer to see what the charge is for it. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept Minnowa Construction bid with a second from Doug Seberg. Motion passed unanimously. Tom Wilson stated the next step would be to ask Dave Kramer for a contract with Minnowa Construction.

At a Sewer/Water meeting Mike & Dave Wadewitz had stated they would provide fill for the temporary by-pass and pay \$4500 for the sewer portion, though the City does not have this in writing. Since City wants to expand for new homes, there should be another access into the subdivision; this also gives those in the subdivision a safer way to get

onto Hwy. 14. Wm Wehlage asked about the driveways of his, they will be ripped up and re-done; he wants to make sure the grades of the driveways are good for his trailers.

City Hall water connection: PMG gave an estimate of \$9,365 to bore a new 1" service line to the City Hall. Outside bathrooms will be kept on the well. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the PMG bid, with a second from Doug Seberg. Motion passed.

Vacate Alleyway: Dave Johannes made a motion to vacate the alleyway in Block 43 for lots 4-8. Chad Wangen seconded the motion. Mayor Parker brought up the fee to vacate, there is only a street vacate for \$225, this should be discussed at the Planning/Zoning Committee since the City pays to have the vacate recorded and homeowners get more property.

New business:

Election results: There were 269 people that voted out of 427 registered voters. Mayor's race had 215 votes for Chris Parker with 18 write-in votes. Council member race: Doug Seberg had 209 votes with a tie for the second seat. Ron Volkman and Chad Wangen both received seven votes apiece. The tie will be determined by a game of chance. (Cards, coins, straws.) Mr. Volkman and Mr. Wangen will determine which one they choose. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the election results and to have the tie breaker at the December 14, 2010 council meeting. Doug Seberg seconded the motion, Mayor Parker voted yes with Chad Wangen abstaining.

Special Assessments: Any bills not paid after November 15, 2010 will be assessed to the property owner. Council received a listing of those property owners, parcel number, amount to be assessed and what it was for. This group also includes sewer billing, water billing, miscellaneous, water meter & plumbing permits and Water Hook up assessments. Dave Johannes made the motion to assess any property owner that owes a bill on November 15, 2010. Doug Seberg seconded the motion, motion passed.

Snow Plow Contract: Potter Construction has a contract for 2010-2011 snow plowing season at the cost of \$94.00 per hour. Doug Seberg made a motion to accept the contract, with a second from Chad Wangen. Motion passed.

Complaints/Concerns:

- Konkel fine has not been paid.

Action Items:

- Procedures: Chad has water and sewer done, Beth will type them out and email to Council members to look over.

Chad's business:

- Requesting no water meter for the ball field bathrooms, there is no heated room and water gets shut off over winter. Council agreed no meter.
- Generator is on the trailer and down at Norman's electric. They thought the battery was dead, they replaced them but they didn't work. Chad took the old ones and recharged them; they held a charge, but it wouldn't turn over. New batteries are \$165 each. Council requested Chad take the generator to Lackore Electric to find out what the problem is.
- Dave Johannes brought up the ball field cable – Chad will do that when it freezes.

Sewer & Water Committee updates:

- Black flow preventer was discussed. If the City sold the water to outside sources, with them hooking right into the hydrant the City would need one.
- Jack Noll left an email stating he has talked with PFA and they have give approval for the extra grant money to be used for the Mobile Home Park extension once the final bills have been paid for Phase I & II. Estimated cost for MHP extension is \$150,000 and about \$180,000 is left on the grant.

Planning & Zoning Committee updates:

- Fencing was discussed, but there were only two members at the committee meeting. Jack Roberts had requested the committee look at fencing in the City limits. His concern was that if it's not done right the first time, the homeowners could have more headaches fixing the problems. Subsection 18 in Zoning Ordinance states there should be a "fencing application" that the homeowner fills out. Each of the zones, residential/commercial/industrial have a different request for the fencing on where to place it. Roberts stated if there is a site plan from the individual showing that the fence is on their property, it shows the City is trying to do things right. Dave Johannes thinks the ordinance should be rewritten since the fencing section is too confusing. Roberts asked for a small fee for the clerk's cost to administer the permit for the fencing permit application. Council requested the subject go back to the committee to either simplify the fencing areas in the Ordinance or come up with a better idea than charging for a fence.

- Oevinger garage at the old cement slab discussed. No site plan received, or CUP application.

Doug Seberg made a motion to close the Stockton City Council meeting with a second from Chad Wangen. Motion passed, meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Bethany Winchester
Clerk - Treasurer