

On Tuesday, November 8, 2011, at the Stockton City Hall, Mayor Chris Parker called to order the Stockton City Council meeting at 7:00 P.M. All council members were in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Additions to agenda were made by Mayor Parker to add under old business, the highway speed signs and under new business MN DOT meeting. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the agenda with additions, motion seconded by Doug Seberg. Motion passed.

Corrections to the minutes are as follows: Page 1, financial report, Doug Seberg corrected the request as a monthly profit and loss to date. Also corrected was page 1, the motion was to cap the levy at \$100,000. Third correction on page 2 should read the retro-reflectivity signs will be changed in compliance as they are needed. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the October 2011 minutes with corrections, motion seconded by Doug Seberg. Motion passed.

Jack Roberts, who was not in attendance discussed with the Clerk about transferring the Blacktop fund to the Road & Bridge fund and to only be used for repairs and maintenance. Since the GO Bond has been paid off, the money in the blacktop fund is now considered General monies and the Council can designate the money to only be used for blacktop or roads. Mayor Parker made a motion to pay the general funds back for the North Broadway Bridge and designated the rest to Road and Bridge and review as needed in coming years, motion seconded by Doug Seberg. Motion passed. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the financial report, with a second from Chris Parker. Motion passed.

Old Business:

Water project: **Heselton** still has not paid the City's bill.

Water Break: MN Pipe will be taking some of the pipe next week; Bill Trygstad will be with them to document possession.

Wapasha will come next week for the tank leak cleaning to determine where the leak is.

Discussion was held on deferring the WAC and SAC for another year and have water hook ups assessed to property owners, more discussion will be at the next meeting.

Flood bonding: Winona Mechanical had a pay estimate #1 in the amount of \$84,170.28. Dave Johannes requested they come and clean up the entrance to Wacholz and Ninth Street; they scraped with a bucket but not actually cleaned the street. 5% retainage will be kept back for any problems. The bottom of the apron on the culvert and the rock doesn't match on the south side of 9th Street which will need to be fixed. Bill Trygstad did send them a punch list for the project, and they will get them done before final payment. Doug Seberg made a motion to accept pay estimate 1, motion seconded by Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed.

North Broadway Bridge: Dunn Blacktop paved the approaches without an engineer on site, council requested Tom Wilson, Erickson Engineering, come to the December council meeting. Dean Aarre requested a culvert to his property, and they also left a silt blanket on his property. Culvert will be placed in the spring with Chad doing the work.

E. 9th Street ditches: Winona Mechanical sent a pay estimate #1 for \$14,523.60 minus 2% retainage fee. City will have a one year bond on the project for the seeding in the spring to make sure it comes up. Chris Parker made a motion to accept payment, with the stipulation the bill is broken down before actual payment, motion second by Doug Seberg. Motion passed.

2012 Budget: Revenues have changed to reflect money appropriated, but the budget is still at \$100,000. Chad Wangen made a motion to accept the final budget, motion seconded by Dave Johannes. Motion passed unanimously.

Highway speed signs: Mayor Parker talked with TSA about grant money, council agreed to look into finding grants that cover at least 50% of the costs.

New Business:

County Assessments: Clerk Winchester gave the council paperwork on what will be assessed to the residents that haven't paid their bills.

MN DOT meeting: Mayor Parker will meet with MN DOT this week. Discussions include realignment of 30 MPH signs in town, verifying the turn lane, signage and signs on Hwy 14 for Wacholz Drive and Rollin' Sunset Dr., also they will be resurfacing from Lewiston to Winona, a transition zone on either end of town and changing the speed limit over the hill and having only one lane either way. Mayo bus service asked to use the area in front of the old post office as a bus stop, since its considered highway right-of-way Mayor Parker will ask DOT. Discussion was also held on placing a median between the saloon and the gas station to slow cars down.

Building Permits:

- Lee Henry has placed an addition to the front of his home, 70' x 8' wide. Committee recommends fining the individual as the work is already completed, they also request from Mr. Henry an actual building plan. Clerk was instructed to look up the MN Statute to see what the maximum fine is. Council will wait to finalize next month when the blue prints have been received.

- Dean Aarre would like to build a 3 season porch on a deck already built. Committees recommend approving permit. Chad Wangen made a motion to approve of the building permit, with a second from Doug Seberg. Motion passed.

Green space: In order to plant the native grasses it needs to be colder in weather.

Railroad letter has been sent, Canada cannot find the City of Stockton on their map.

Chad's Business:

- Use of hydrants for the fire departments: Council stated the City should bill the Fire Department for the water usage to be included in the homeowner's bill.

- Dump truck sander isn't working, and DOT inspection will be done next week. Chad requested a garage be built for the snow plow. Council requested building plans for pre-constructed pole barns and prices both insulation and without insulation, and to make sure there is enough room for all his other equipment.

- Discussion was held on vacation time for employees and the pay out for any extra over 120 hours. A closed meeting for December will be added to discuss vacation time and employees.

Doug Seberg made a motion to close the Stockton City Council meeting, with a second from Dave Johannes. Motion passed, meeting adjourned at 8:18 P.M.