

On Tuesday, October 11, 2011, at the Stockton City Hall, Mayor 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 the agenda were made by Clerk Winchester to add changing the committee meeting date and funeral flowers. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the agenda with additions, motion seconded by Doug Seberg. Motion passed.

Doug Seberg made a motion to accept the September 2011 minutes, with a second from Dave Johannes. Motion passed.

Council requested any transfers being made between accounts must be listed to and from the accounts. Doug Seberg would like to have a profit and loss statement from last year and revenues to date. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the financial report and to pay bills, motion seconded by Chad Wangen. Clerk Winchester requested to buy funeral flowers for clerk assistant Margo Riemann who lost her husband on Monday. Dave Johannes amended his motion to buy flowers not to exceed \$50 from the Designated Funds; Chad Wangen amended his second motion.

Old Business:

Wapasha: Bill Trygstad handed over the maintenance bond for the reservoir and has sent the last payment to Jack Noll. The leak at the reservoir should be cleaned off and determine whether the leak is from the wall or just behind the paint on the wall. Mr. Trygstad will evaluate with Wapasha and discuss with council at a later date.

Heselton: They have not paid the City yet, nor contacted Bill Trygstad. Mr. Trygstad will try again tomorrow.

Broken Water Main: A representative of MN Pipe and Bill Trygstad will pick up the broken pipe.

Flood Bonding: Project was started yesterday they will have until November 1, 2011 to complete the project. Dave Johannes asked how it will impact the traffic on the roads, since 9th Street will be dug up and a new culvert put in. Winona Mechanical is hoping to wait until after 8 am to dig them all out and get at least one of the three put back before 5 pm. Clerk Winchester received the contracts from Dave Kramer, and Mayor Parker will need to sign with Clerk Winchester at the bank for a notary public.

N. Broadway Bridge: Bill Trygstad stated the subcontractor sent three change orders, but he will take a look at them and get back to us. Mayor Parker read the bill from Mike Wadewitz for the corn that was taken out to place on extra dirt; Mr. Wadewitz requested \$2100 from the City. But since the City was not the one responsible, he should bill Minnowa for the amount since they are the ones responsible.

E. 9th Street ditches: Bill Trygstad sent out the plan to 5 contractors and only two sent in bids.

1) Blitz Construction from Byron, MN – Base bid was \$24812 and

2) Winona Mechanical from Winona, MN – base bid was \$17020.

There were three deductions that were requested, one is seeding instead of sodding, another was deleting the bond, and the last was deleting bituminous surfacing of driveway and adding aggregate. The culverts from Broadway are 12' and Neil Hjemeland is 18' so the salvaged ones will not work. Bid did state if the council accepted a bid tonight, the company would need to finish by November 15th. Since the City does not have an ordinance on culverts or ditches, the Council will need to decide cost responsibility. The Planning and Zoning committee should look into a driveway/culvert care ordinance. Mayor Chris Parker made a motion to accept Winona Mechanical bid, with seeding instead of sodding for \$14,820, with Neil Hjemeland paying \$1,000 toward the bill. Motion was seconded by Doug Seberg. Chad Wangen voted aye, Dave Johannes voted nay and Lisa Gibbs abstained from a vote. 3 Ayes passed the motion.

Al Mueller: tabled, take off agenda

Budget: Revenue should be approximate to the year 2010. Discussion was held on wages for assistants. Council would like to make the final budget an even \$100,000. Mayor Chris Parker made a motion to levy for \$100,000 from Winona County, motion seconded by Dave Johannes. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

Snow Plow contract: Potter Construction placed a bid for \$98 per hour for a snow plow contract. Doug Seberg made a motion to accept the bid, with a second from Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed.

Speed Alert Radar signs: Mayor Parker looked into having speed alert signs; Winona County Sheriff's Department no longer has a working one. The 2 radar signs would cost \$11,030. These would be base mounted with mounting brackets, and would include traffic data collection, Bluetooth, solar battery, and solar panel. Dave Johannes stated this would be a lot of money to be spending when the budget was just slashed. Chris Parker approves accepting the bid, there was no second, motion died for lack of second.

Flood Files: Both Clerk Winchester and Bill Trygstad sent in their FEMA paperwork, but didn't hear back from FEMA yet.

Building Permit:

- Bublitz – Requesting a new addition to be built on the back of the house. Doug Seberg made a motion to approve of the building permit pending the blue print, motion seconded by Mayor Parker. Motion passed.
- Jaskola – He was requesting a variance, but it is now irrelevant, since he's moving the power pole in his yard that would have been in the way of building.
- Oevering – Mr. Oevering wants to build a garage on a cement slab that previously held a garage. Chris Parker made a motion to accept the building permit given he meets the state requirements, motion seconded by Doug Seberg. Dave Johannes abstained from the vote due to conflict of interest. Motion passed.

Green Space Committee:

- Native grasses will be done when there is a hard frost.
- Railroad letter still needs to be written to knock down weeds and the drainage problem by North E Street. Chad has already knocked the weeds down, and Council requested he dig a trench for the drainage problem.

Sewer & Water Committee:

- Old Hill road of Potter's has been dug out, and then Chad flushed the hydrants, so it will need to be dug out more.
- N. Broadway Bridge and road block - Chad will see if the county has any "local traffic only" road barriers.

Planning & Zoning Committee:

- Ziebell's garage – there is no permit on file and Google earth shows the garage being there in 2005.
- Smith – letter to move the shed off their property since its floodway and it hasn't been done yet.

CHAD'S BUSINESS:

- McCarthy did a well inspection on the well house and will charge \$185 for the inspection. Once the bill is paid they will send us the report to have on file.
- Hydrants flushed last week.
- Sewer repairs will be done next week.
- Sign retro-reflectivity requirements: the due dates have been dropped, and must replace signs when needed.

Dave Johannes made a motion to close the Stockton City Council meeting, with a second from Doug Seberg. Motion passed, meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.