

On Tuesday, September 10, 2019, Mayor Dave Johannes called to order the Stockton City Council meeting at Stockton City Hall at 7:00 PM. Council members in attendance were Lisa Gibbs, Mark Potter, and Travis McElmury. Council member, Neil Hjelmeland, was not in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Public Voice Forum: none

Mark Potter made a motion to accept the agenda, motion seconded by Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed.

Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the financial reports and to pay all bills. Travis McElmury seconded the motion, motion passed.

Mark Potter made a motion to accept the August 13, 2019 minutes, with a second from Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**South Broadway Street:** Pember is fixing the soft spot in the NW corner, they are waiting for blacktop to finish.

**Rental Ordinance:** City attorney, Wayne Schauble, was in attendance to discuss the ordinance. Council wants the property owners to be accountable for what the tenants are doing/have done, and any complaints received to be able to act on those complaints. Mr. Schauble stated that the tenants have to complain to the property owner or management team as prescribed in their lease. Many of the problems the City has with the tenants/property owners can be followed up with our Ordinances or MN State Statutes. Mr. Schauble stated that in order to facilitate this ordinance another full-time person would be needed, administration proceedings would need to be followed (new ordinance needed), and follow-ups of the complaints and building inspections would take a lot of time. This ordinance would take more paperwork and cost involved for our city. Discussion was held on having a plaque on the rental homes with the property owner name and phone number for complaints or concerns. Mr. Schauble stated that it can be required by our Zoning Ordinance with an amendment to the Ordinance.

**Ballfield Embankment:** Clerk Winchester met with County and State to be placed on the MN HSEM recovery program. The work can be done by now, with payment coming later from the state. Travis McElmury made a motion to accept the \$40,120 quote from Potter Construction, pending any permits needed to do the job. Motion seconded by Lisa Gibbs; Mark Potter abstained from the vote motion passed.

**Highway Tree's:** Contract with the State DOT says the City can pull and replace any dead trees. Lisa Gibbs does not have replacement trees yet.

**Donations:** Dave Johannes made a motion to donate \$500 to SOAR and \$750 to Osman Daddy-O's from the Shriner's Hospital for children. Motion seconded by Mark Potter; motion passed unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Mike Wadewitz:** Mr. Wadewitz will be building a new home along N. Broadway; his current driveway will be moved to the existing easement for water. He requested that the hydrant on the NW side be moved further south, as trucks backing up will most likely hit it. City will request quotes from PMG and Winona Mechanical to check on cost for moving the hydrant. Mr. Wadewitz would also like to donate parcels of properties to the City, most of them are unusable and straddle the creek areas.

## **CITY MAINTENANCE**

- Cleaning & Televising: Chad has asked 4 companies to quote our 4 sewer fixes but has not received any quotes back.
- KE Marsh is looking at Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> for the concrete in front of the shop.
- Chad does have the diggers in but the swings for Wacholz Drive will be placed next Spring.
- Discharge from sewer ponds will start on Sunday.

Lisa Gibbs made a motion to close the Stockton City Council meeting, with a second from Travis McElmury. Motion passed unanimously; meeting adjourned at 7:44 PM.