

On Monday, September 8, 2008, at the Stockton City Hall, Mayor Jack Roberts called to order the Stockton City Council meeting at 7:01 P.M. Council members in attendance were Lisa Gibbs, Mark Potter, Rick Przytarski and Cheryl Beeman.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

The Clerk under old business added Marilyn Johnson, HBC, and buyouts. Two residents added under new business Fireworks Ordinance and Election Judges. Mark Potter made a motion to accept the agenda with additions, seconded by Cheryl Beeman. Motion passed.

The August 2008 minutes were discussed. Rick Przytarski expected the overtime to be lowered considering the City has appointed a contract worker to work with Chad Larson. Council requested Chad to keep his overtime hours down. Discussion was also held on the Jeff Morey property and his fill on the lot. Lisa Gibbs asked is he had come forward with any plans for a building and if that building needed all of the fill on the property. If the plan doesn't need that much fill, Mr. Morey will need to take out the excess fill. A resident brought up the Bagniewski-Beeman alleyway, why is the City maintaining this alleyway? The City is waiting for Mrs. Bagniewski to have a survey done before the City puts any gravel on the alleyway. Mark Potter made a motion to accept the August 2008 minutes, with a second from Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed.

Under the Financial Report, Heim Electric bill from Sewer is to be for Lift Station #4 not Lift Station #3. The Sprint bill has changed since Leasah Lilla no longer works for them the City cannot get an employee discount, so instead of \$15 per phone per month the charge is now \$30 per phone per month. The bill for Menard's includes block for the emergency siren, this is because the power box is too high on the pole and a platform needed to be raised to reach it. Mark Potter made a motion to accept the financial report and to pay all bills, with a second from Rick Przytarski. Motion passed unanimously.

Under Flood Financial:

Pay Estimate 1 to Winona Mechanical for Retention pond cleaning in the amount of \$26,536.16, leaving a 5% retainage of \$1,396.64. Robyn Wehlage asked if Tim Terrill from the SWCD could discuss natural grasses around these retention ponds. Mike Wadewitz discussed that the grass seed that was laid down has not taken root, and the slope of the ponds are not mowable and need more attention given to them to finish them out. Bill Trygstad stated the contract does state that the grass must grow before the project is actually finished. Mr. Trygstad also stated the ponds are designed to have 3-foot depth of water in them, the Highway retention pond has a plunge pool that will always have water in it, unless it's a dry season. This is a bill the Council did not accept previously because of concerns. Rick Przytarski made a motion to adjust the pay estimate less 5% of the total amount due until the slope is correct and the grass is growing along the route the trucks took. Motion died for lack of second. Rick Przytarski made a motion to pay the estimate of \$26,536.16, with a second from Mark Potter. Money to be taken out of the Blacktop Account if that's acceptable.

Garvin Brook Drive water/sewer project has a pay estimate in the amount of \$10,287.93, leaving a 5% retainage of \$1,400.56 to Winona Mechanical. Work has been completed and one household has hooked into the mains already. Mark Potter made a motion to pay Winona Mechanical \$10,287.93 out of the sewer checking account, with a second from Cheryl Beeman. Motion passed.

Mark Potter made a motion to hold an assessment hearing on October 14, 2008 at 6:45 P.M. for the

Garvin Brook Drive water/sewer project to be divided up three ways. Rick Przytarski seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Karl Sonneman will look over the contract for Zenk, Read & Trygstad to begin the planning of the Water Project. The engineering bill will be around \$200,000, and if the City moves ahead with the project the grant money will cover the engineering costs. However, if the City does not accept the project they will need to pay the engineering fees. Discussion was held on getting a handout together of the pro's and con's of the project for all costs affiliated with the project.

- If Sonneman agrees to the Engineering contract Council could vote tonight to accept the contract.
- There is a five year window on the project grant, what's the rush on the engineering contract? The City will have to pay the fee if the project doesn't move forward.
- Mark Potter made a motion to authorize Bill Trygstad to move forward if Mr. Sonneman finds nothing wrong in the contract. Motion died for lack of second.
- Cheryl Beeman asked how the council can vote on something they haven't seen.
- Bill Trygstad stated that every month delayed is a month delayed in the total project.
- Lisa Gibbs asked where is the City going to find the \$200,000 if the City decides not to go ahead with the water project?
- Joe Wheeler will ask the PFA how many house have to hook up to still be eligible for the grant. Also the pro forma's can change because the Operating & Maintenance is less, but the figures can fluctuate due to circumstances of the pro forma.
- Get a clean cut handout for the residents and why are they saying no to the project?
- Advantage for the City of Stockton is the \$3.162 million grant, where does the City want to see themselves in years to come if the City wants to grow.
- Run handout about a two-to-one ratio of per month usage for 50 households to 100 households hooking up.

Sewer and Water Committee meeting will be moved from Monday, September 22 to Thursday, September 18 at 6:00 P.M. to get the handout together of the pro's and con's.

Mark Potter made a motion to have a special council meeting on Monday, September 22, at 6:00 P.M., with a second from Rick Przytarski. Motion passed.

Joe Wheeler discussed the buyouts, there are five properties that have been closed, 5 are scheduled for next week to close on. Rick Przytarski made a motion for residents to apply before October 31, 2008 for buyouts, SEMMCHRA will not accept any homeowners after October 31, 2008. Lisa Gibbs seconded the motion. Motion passed.

City will host a Demolition meeting on Thursday, September 11 from 10:00 am to about 2:00 pm for the contractors to inspect the homes for bidding on. The bids are due September 18 at the SEMMCHRA office. Once the demolition contractor has been picked, people will need to talk with them to take any property. The Clerk is taking lists for the demolition contractors now.

Bill Trygstad presented a contract between his engineering company and the City of Stockton to do a study to evaluate options to channelize Garvin Brook and Stockton Creek through Stockton to divert storm water around the town. The cost of the channelization report in the amount of \$30,000; that is covered from a Flood Mitigation grant. Karl Sonneman stated it's a straight forward contract. Mark Potter made a motion to accept the Channelization contract with Bill Trygstad, motion seconded by Rick Przytarski. Motion passed unanimously.

Mark Potter made a motion to table the air conditioner, with a second from Rick Przytarski. Motion passed.

HBC was not present to discuss the room rental. The plan for the cell tower will be needed before construction begins. The construction company that has been boring in the fiber optic plans received water from the Community Center well, but have not paid for the usage. The Clerk will look into the billing. There are boxes and cables by the railroad tracks on County Road 23 that will also need to be picked up.

Marilyn Johnson brought up that Reed's Tree Service showed up and said they would grind the stump down, but it's been five weeks since then. Lisa Gibbs will call around to other companies and have the cheapest one grind the stump.

Discussion was held on a Fireworks Ordinance. The City does not have one, but does have a noise ordinance in place. Residents must file a written complaint with the Sheriff's Department, as there is a State Statute against fire works being used.

Leasah Lilla requested the Elected officials decide who will be an Election Judge. Clerk will bring the recommended list of election judges to the Council and the Council will decide who will be the judges.

Resolution 2008-022, Donation from the Stockton Area Promotional Group in the amount of \$10,000 to be used in the Flood Fund of 2007 for the rebuilding of the ball fields. Rick Przytarski made a motion to accept Resolution 2008-022, with a second from Cheryl Beeman. Motion passed.

Winona County Red Cross chapter has invited the Mayor to a social get together on September 22 beginning at 5:30 P.M. He will be bringing Chris Parker as a guest who will need to pay \$15 to attend.

Proposed Budget for 2009 was discussed.

General Fund 2009:	\$216,090
LGA	(\$143,576)
Tax to be collected:	\$72,514
2009 Street Levy	\$40,658
Total Amount:	\$113,172

Rick Przytarski made a motion to set the 2009 General Budget at \$113,172, with a second from Mark Potter. Motion passed unanimously.

Chad had no business.

Rick Przytarski made a motion to close the Stockton Council meeting, with a second from Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed, meeting adjourned at 9:25 P.M.