

On Tuesday, September 8, 2015, at the Stockton City Hall, Mayor Dave Johannes called to order the Stockton City Council meeting at 7:01 p.m. Council members in attendance were Lisa Gibbs, Jack Roberts, Travis McElmury and Neil Hjelmeland.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Public Voice Forum: County Commissioner, Steve Jacobs, requested a few minutes for County business. He discussed the State aid money for streets, which the City has received their first half, the broadband assistance grant that Winona County applied for Pickwick area and Altura area. Also discussed Winona County drafting an ATV ordinance for the whole of the County and the new Winona County Administrator, Ken Fritz. Mike Wadewitz stated there is a car parked down by Lift Station #3 that doesn't belong there; the City should put a sign stating "No parking, towing 24-hr a day".

Lisa Gibbs made a motion to accept the agenda, motion seconded by Neil Hjelmeland. Motion passed unanimously.

Financials: Under general bills to be paid, Barga Inc. shouldn't be paid as the job they did was not up to the Council standards. They left a roll of tar on some streets, which could be because the City streets are not well travelled to get mashed down. They also didn't put down a fog seal after they swept up the excess, but it was not quoted in the original bid. The street that they put the piles of chip seal is chewed up, which will become a problem in the long run. They did not cover the gutters in GVE and the chips could have gone into the storm sewer lines and end up in the reservoirs. Council would like to wait on payment until Chad Larson could talk with Barga about the problems and work out a solution. Jack Roberts made a motion to accept the financial report and to pay all bills but Barga Inc. Motion seconded by Lisa Gibbs, motion passed unanimously.

Jack Roberts made a motion to accept the August 11, 2015 public hearings and council meeting. Motion seconded by Lisa Gibbs, motion passed unanimously.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Radium:** Mike Wadewitz stated the City could blend the two wells. The City should ask Paul Halvorson about other towns and what they do for radium.

**2016 Budget:** Preliminary budget is currently at \$100,000. Jack Roberts made a motion to accept the preliminary budget at \$100,000, motion seconded by Travis McElmury. Motion passed unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Propane:** Neumann Oil has \$1.02 per gallon; the City used 4000 gallons last year. Lisa Gibbs made a motion to prepay for 4000 gallons, motion seconded by Neil Hjelmeland. Motion passed unanimously.

**Complaint Policy:** Clerk Winchester read the policy, only the written complaints will be accepted, there is a form that must be completed for any action to take place. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the Citizen Complaint policy, with a second from Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed unanimously.

## **BUILD PERMITS**

**Pete Bambenek, addition to garage:** Mr. Bambenek would like to add a 40' x 28' addition to the detached existing garage. Lisa Gibbs made a motion to table the subject until further information about the flood fringe and elevation certificate. Neil Hjelmeland seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

**Building Inspector:** Mayor Johannes stated he has had numerous complaints about Greg Olson being the City Building Inspector. Mayor Johannes has heard complaints that he's telling people over the phone to take pictures and send them to him, and approving of it. The contractors will make appointments and he won't show up. Council would like for Clerk Winchester to contact CMS for the next council meeting on September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Next meeting will be Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> for Pete Bambenek, CMS well issue on the agenda.

Lisa Gibbs made a motion to close the close the Stockton City Council meeting, with a second from Neil Hjelmeland. Motion passed unanimously, meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.