A Regular Meeting of the

Lamberton City Council

February 13, 2017

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lamberton was held on February 13th, 2017, in the City Office at 7:00 pm.

Members present for all or part of the meeting were Mayor Bill Schaffran, Councilmembers Darrell Knutson, Terry Neperman, Lydell Sik, Dave Irlbeck and Clerk Flaig.

Acting Mayor Terry Neperman called the meeting to order. On motion by Irlbeck, seconded by Sik, the council voted unanimously to approve claims #14487 through #14551 in the amount of $48,300.25.

On motion by Sik, seconded by Knutson, the council voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the January meeting. On motion by Knutson, seconded by Sik, the council voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the February 6th special meeting.

Mayor Schaffran arrived at the meeting. Notice of a possible tax forfeiture sale on one of the housing rehab properties was presented to the council. The council decided not to take any action.

Wade Wellner informed the council that the red pickup has been repaired. The fire hydrant by the park has been repaired. Lift station #3 is not working properly and will be checked over. The council decided not to purchase a new mower at this time. Classes for Certified Pool Operators will be coming up within the next couple of months. City personnel will need to attend. Wade Wellner submitted his resignation as Public Works Supervisor. The council thanked him for his years of service and wished him well. On motion by Knutson, seconded by Neperman, the council approved the maintenance report.

Colby Davis made a presentation to the council about equipment for the Police Department. On motion by Neperman, seconded by Sik, the Council unanimously approved the purchase of equipment at a cost of $1,294.

Nick Anderson gave the Ambulance report to the council. He presented two quotes for new door openers. The present openers are not working properly. The council asked him to obtain another quote, but on a motion by Irlbeck, seconded by Sik, the council voted unanimously to approve purchasing new openers at the best price for the openers. An electronic lock on an entrance door has been replaced and is now working properly, but codes need to be setup. Nick has been working on member EMT re-certification and making sure that all members are certified properly. An EMT class will begin in Redwood Falls on April 26th.

On motion by Neperman, seconded by Sik, the council unanimously approved an annual review of the AWAIR plan.

On a motion by Irlbeck, seconded by Neperman, the council unanimously approved an update to the personnel policy providing for the city paying for up to $250 per month for employee family coverage retroactive to January 2017.

The MN Department of Natural Resources meeting about the dams at the City of Lamberton Kuhar Park, City of Sanborn, and the Farmers Gold and Health Club will be held on March 6th at Sanborn.

On motion by Irlbeck, seconded by Sik, the council voted unanimously to have MNDOT install Kuhar Park signs on Highway 14.

A petition for street vacation by Leon and Jan Benedict was received and the council set a hearing to be held at 8:00 pm on March 13th to discuss the street vacation.

On motion by Knutson, seconded by Irlbeck, the council voted unanimously to approve a resolution approving membership for Colby Davis in the PERA Police and Fire Fund.

Jason Miller was present to ask the council to reduce his water bill. His water softener had malfunctioned and his bill was considerably higher than normal. On motion by Irlbeck, seconded by Sik, the council voted unanimously to approve adjusting the bill based on past practices.

Andy Kehren of Bolton and Menk made a presentation to the council about work that has been completed and what needs to be worked on for capital improvements. The council review this information from Bolton and Menk, Inc. and the presentation that Bollig Engineering did on February 6th regarding capital improvement needs. On motion by Knutson, seconded by Irlbeck, the council voted unanimously to approve moving ahead with Bolton and Menk on Capital Improvement planning.

The council was offered a house and lot in Lamberton. The council declined this offer.

The council discussed the Maintenance Supervisor position. The council decided to offer this position to Justin Thram, since he currently has all the licenses needed for the position. If he accepts the city will advertise for the Maintenance worker position.

On motion by Neperman, seconded by Sik, the council voted unanimously to approve the financial report including donations, operating transfers, new vendors and payment of between meeting bills in the amount of $5,882.44.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Approved,

Steven Flaig, Clerk Bill Schaffran, Mayor

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