

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING  
September 5, 2017

A regular council meeting was duly called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Dorothy Behne on Tuesday, September 5, 2017 with members Dorothy Behne, Kurt Olson, Brad Ringnell, Matt Larson, and Jeff Ross present. Also present City Admin/Police Chief Brad Hughes and Deputy Clerk Kym Christiansen.

Motion by Ringnell to approve the agenda, second by Olson, carried.

Motion by Olson to approve the minutes as amended, second by Ringnell, carried.

Consent agenda including payment of bills and was declared approved.

City Admin/Police Chief Hughes presented a request to declare the dump truck as excess property. Hughes stated that back in March, the truck was taken over to Odegaard's Repair for an estimate on need repairs as well things needed to pass DOT Inspection and Certification. The estimate was going to well over \$10,000. Motion by Ringnell to declare the City Dump Truck and Plow as excess equipment, second by Olson, carried. Hughes will research different options for the getting rid of the excess property.

Administrator Report

- September projects were highlighted including the installation of new globes for the decorative lights in Pocket Park, hydrant flushing, and the cleaning and painting of the curbs and gutters.
- Old Blower is on the MNBIDS website and the auction will end on September 11, 2017.
- Additional quote for the removal of the building 105 N Main Street has been received as well as the potential need for the removal asbestos and having a structural engineer review to avoid damage to the neighboring buildings.
- Library rent payment will increase from \$375 a month to \$500 a month effective January 2018

In other business, Councilor Ringnell brought up the idea of having the Municipal Liquor Store open on Sunday during the football season. Discussion on the idea was held with the Liquor Store Manager Jaime Leiting. Leiting thought that being open during the football season would work but being open on Sunday during other times during year would not work. Some of the discussion items included the idea of having tailgate foods available on Sundays, the need for a bigger television set in the back room as well as the hours that the store will be open. Current state law does allow for the off-sale liquor during certain hours on Sunday. The big concern with being open on Sunday is finding staff that would be willing to work on Sunday. Leiting was directed to see if staff would be willing to come in on Sunday and maybe provide a different wage for the staff that are working on Sunday. Councilor Ross stated that he liked that the liquor store was putting the monthly specials on their Facebook page.

Motion to adjourn by Olson, second by Ringnell, carried. Meeting declared adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Kym Christiansen, Deputy Clerk