

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
December 4, 2017

A regular council meeting was duly called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Dorothy Behne on Monday, December 4, 2017 with members Dorothy Behne, Kurt Olson, Matt Larson, Jeff Ross, and Brad Ringnell 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 written and sent to each council member for study, second by Ringnell, carried.

Consent agenda including payment of bills was declared approved.

Motion by Olson to approve the 2018 business license to Casey's, Kum & Go, Dollar General, and Cup N Saucer, second by Larson, carried.

Motion by Ringnell to approve Resolution 2017-18 Accepting Donation of \$500.00 from Manzey Seeds Inc for Street Light Upgrade, second by Olson. Ringnell, yea; Olson, yea; Ross, yea; Larson, yea; Behne, yea. Resolution 2017-18 approved.

Administrator Report

- LED lighting replacement for the Wastewater Treatment Plant, Liquor, Community Hall, and City Shop is complete.
- K & W Electric will working on the ceiling fans at the Community Hall so they will work independently from the lights this week.
- December 6 is a meeting with the Fire Department and surrounding townships and Mayor Behne and another member will attend to represent the city.
- A large dumpster has been delivered to the Shop so Public Works on clean out the shop over the winter.
- Street light has been ordered but the pole has to be fabricated so delivery will be 2 to 4 weeks.

Motion by Ross to recess the Council meeting at 5:08 p.m. for a work session with members of the Fire Department regarding Ambulance Holiday On-call Pay and other items related to the Fire Department, second by Ringnell, carried.

Motion to Ringnell to resume the council meeting at 6:08 p.m., second by Olson, carried

At this time the Budge and Levy Public Hearing was called to order. Three citizens were present to hear City Admin/Police Chief Hughes's slide presentation that began with an explanation of the city budget, where the money comes from and where it is spent, descriptions of the various funds supported by tax dollars and the enterprise funds that are expected to support themselves. City Admin/Police Chief Hughes continued to explain that the proposed levy had been certified with a 4.7% increase for 2018, but additional adjustments were made to the budget that allowed a final levy increase of 2.7%. There no questions of the residents that were in attendance. Motion by Ringnell to close the Budget and Levy Public Hearing at 6:22 p.m., second by Olson, carried.

Discussion was held on the proposal from the Fire Department regarding Holiday On-call pay. The proposal from the Department would have Holiday pay for scheduled night on-call ambulance personnel to receive two hours at time and half of regular fire department wages plus normal night on call pay for the nine federal holidays; any ambulance call starting at 6:00 a.m. on one of the nine federal holidays until 6:00 a.m. the following day, the ambulance personnel will receive holiday pay of time and half of regular fire wages, and raise the normal night on-call pay to \$16 for each 4 day on-call period and \$12 for each 3 day on-call period. Motion by Olson to accept the proposal from the Fire Department, second by Larson, carried with Ringnell abstaining.

Motion to adjourn by Ringnell, second by Olson, carried. Meeting declared adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Kym Christiansen, Deputy Clerk