

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
March 21, 2016

A regular council meeting was duly called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Mayor Pro-tem Kurt Olson on Monday, March 21, 2016 with members Carroll Behne, Kurt Olson, Brad Ringnell and Jeff Ross present. Absent, Mayor Dorothy Behne. Also present Deputy Clerk Kym Christiansen.

Public Comments: Carlee Hunter addressed the following items: rules and regulations for the Community Center have not posted yet, snow removal by churches and homes when there is a funeral and removal of an abandoned home.

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

Motion by Ringnell to approve the minutes as written and sent to each council member for study, second by Ross, carried.

Consent agenda including payment of bills was declared approved.

Dean Tlam and David Janssen presented information on proposed tractor ride held in June which might include a stop in Sherburn. The ride is sponsored by the Spencer, Iowa radio station. They looking for potential site to park the tractors, access to building for restrooms. City Admin/EDA Hansen contact information has been given to the Spencer radio station. Council would like to work with other community groups such as the Task Force and Civic and Commerce and would be willing to provide a building.

Sam Meixell of the Sherburn Fire Relief Association gave a presentation to propose an increase in the annual benefit level to \$1,425 for eligible members. The presentation noted that with the increase the Relief Association would still be fully funded and no contribution from the city would be required. Motion by Olson to approve the increase in benefit level from \$1,400 to \$1,425, second by C. Behne, carried.

Greg Mitchell with Bolton & Menk presented bid summary for the water tower rehabilitation. Eight bids were received and the lowest bid was from M.K. Painting, Inc out of Wyandotte, MI. M.K. Painting's bid was \$340,250. Mitchell informed the Council that M.K. Painting is also doing a project in Windom, MN. Motion by Ross to award the contract to M.K Painting for \$340,250 for the water tower rehabilitation project, second by Ringnell, carried.

Motion by Ringnell to approved Resolution 2016-4 Accepting Donation of Four Trees from Eugene Scheppmann for the City Park in memory of Louis Scheppmann, Larry Jose, and Bob Truesdell, second by Olson. Ringnell-yea; Olson-yea; C. Behne-yea; Ross-yea. Resolution 2016-4 carried

Motion by Ringnell to approve a \$350 pull tab contribution to the Sherburn Library, seconded by Olson, carried.

Motion by Ringnell to change the date for City-wide clean-up to Saturday April 23rd from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at a centralized location under the water tower behind City Hall, seconded by Ross, carried.

Administrator Report

- Audit fieldwork was completed on March 15 and March 17
- Grant was received from Midcontinent Communication for \$1000 for shelter house.

In other business, Councilor Ringnell noted the following, rubbish pile by a property on S Lake Ave needs to be clean-up; trees along Front Street and Railroad need to be taken care of; requested a price for a chair lift at the community hall, received a Lucas device for the fire department, and Sherburn Fire Department Relief Association will be having a pancake feed on April 3. Councilor Ross noted that he was asked about the process to clean-up and selling of abandoned homes, road work needs to be looked at, and if the process has been started to hire a cook at the Liquor Store. Councilor C. Behne noted that the Cemetery Association will be black topping the road and they are taking bids for lawn mowing at the cemetery.

Motion to adjourn by Ross, second by Ringnell. Meeting declared adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

Kym Christiansen, Deputy Clerk