

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
October 2, 2017

A regular council meeting was duly called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Dorothy Behne on Monday, October 2, 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 Olson to approve the agenda, second by Ross, carried.

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

Consent agenda including payment of bills was declared approved.

Motion by Ringnell to approve Resolution 2017-12 Approving Tax Forfeited Property for Auction, second by Ross. Ringnell, yea; Ross, yea; Olson, yea; Larson, yea; Behne, yea. Resolution 2017-12 approved

Police Chief/City Admin Hughes presented a quote related to the purchase of a new street sweeper. The current street sweeper is in need of major work which will cost about \$7,000 to get up and running which would be refunded upon trade-in. A new sweeper will have a cost of \$160,000 with state bid pricing. Hughes was directed to obtain additional quotes for the next meeting.

Kirk Yahnke presented a repair quote for the muffin monster and a quote for a new unit. The repair cost was quoted at \$19,613 while a new unit would cost \$28,987 with a five year pro-rated warranty. Yahnke also stated that the current motor is still in good shape and would be worth saving in case of emergency. Motion by Ringnell to purchase a new unit and keep the items worth savings, second by Larson, approved. Yahnke then gave an update on the work being done at the water treatment facility including the drilling of a new well.

Motion by Ringnell to get new gutters for City Hall at a cost of \$2,200, second by Larson, approved.

Administrator Report

- Liquor Store signs have been installed and the electrical work has been completed.
- Fire Hydrant painting has been completed and the STS crew did a good job on the painting
- Preliminary idea for updated street lights on Hwy 4 was presented.
- Sidewalk planters were stained by Martin County West Students during the "Community Give Back". Thank you to the MCW students for the great work as well as Stephanie Wohlhuter for organizing the various service projects.

In other business, Councilor Ringnell asked about the reverse osmosis coming on line soon so the fire hydrants can be flushed before the cold weather sets in. Councilor Larson asked what can be done about the water coming in at the Community Hall and if there are ordinance from other cities that would address property standards like condition of the building, height of bushes, etc. Mayor Behne stated that Civic and Commerce group will hold a vendor show to help with downtown beautification.

Motion to adjourn by Ross, second by Ringnell, carried. Meeting declared adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Kym Christiansen, Deputy Clerk