

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
September 3, 2019

A regular council meeting was duly called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Jeff Ross on Tuesday, September 3, 2019 with members Carlee Hunter, Matt Larson, Kurt Olson, Brad Ringnell and Jeff Ross present. Also present Deputy Clerk Kym Christiansen.

In open public comment, Dick Zehms asked about the debt to asset ratio for the City along with compliance with MPCA regulations. Ms. Murphy asked about where the wastewater from the restrooms will go.

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

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

Consent agenda including payment of bills was declared approved.

A request from Lori Anderson regarding assistance with dilapidated building removal was received. Ms. Anderson is requesting \$2,500 to help with the removal of 208 S Lake St. Motion by Ringnell to approve request pending the receipt of the bill, second by Hunter, carried.

Motion by Ringnell to approve Resolution 2019-14 Accepting Donation of \$8,161.00 from Martin County Area Foundation for Sherburn Fire Department Defib Replacement, second by Olson. Ringnell, yea; Olson, yea; Hunter, yea; Larson, yea; Ross, yea. Resolution 2019-14 approved.

Earl Cordes presented information regarding the awnings for both Sherburn Chiropractor and Sherburn Library. The Sherburn Civic and Commerce along with the EDA will be paying \$1500.00 towards the awning and the building owner will be paying the rest. The Sherburn Library will be getting a new awning and sign with costs being paid by the Sherburn Civic and Commerce and EDA. The current sign at the library will need to be removed and it was asked if the public works staff would be able to remove the items which would reduce the costs. Cordes also highlighted future main street improvement projects.

Motion by Ringnell to accept a petition of certain persons for the annexation of certain land to the City of Sherburn, Minnesota pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 414.033, Subd. 2 (3), second by Olson, carried.

Motion by Ringnell to set October 7 at 5:00 p.m. as the public hearing for the annexation petitions, second by Olson, carried.

Discussion was held regarding the Sherburn sign that was painted on the side of 101 N Main St. Items included in the discussion if the painting was actually a sign, need for a permit, and if it was within the allowable size in the city ordinance. Staff was asked to draft a letter stating the need for a permit which would be approved by Council

Administrator Report

- Letter was received from the City Attorney regarding the Environmental Assessment Worksheet along with proposals from Bolton and Menk and Jacobson & Westergard was discussed. Tabled until next meeting.
- League of Minnesota Cities Regional Meeting will be held on October 10 in Sleepy Eye. Councilors that would be interested should contact staff if they would like to attend.
- Recognized Senator Julie Rosen and Representative Bob Gunther as League of Minnesota Cities Legislators of Distinction.

- Locates have been received for the Swanson Dr project and residents will be notified before the project begins.

In other business, Councilor Ringnell stated the Sherburn/Welcome Police Department have been working on getting abandoned cars removed along with keeping on top of ordinance violations. Ringnell also asked if the tree at 321 N Lake could be removed. Councilor Hunter asked about the mowing at the south trailer park; north entrance has had some improvements made to the landscaping and would like to know if the larger bushes could be removed and replaced with rock. Hunter also asked if something could be done regarding pet waste and that owners are responsible for cleaning up after the animals. Mayor Ross stated that benches have been painted, mailboxes for the townhomes will be replaced.

Motion by Ringnell to put a sign at the burn site stating that it is for City of Sherburn Residents Only, second by Olson, carried.

Motion to adjourn by Hunter, second by Olson, carried. Meeting declared adjourned at 6:10 p.m. at which time the council entered into a budget workshop.

Kym Christiansen, Deputy Clerk