

Sutherland, Iowa City Council Meeting – March 5, 2018 – 7:00 PM – 110 Ash Street – Meeting Room

Mayor Pro Tem Jack Wallinga called the Public Hearing for the 2018-2019 Budget to order. Roll call showed council members present were: Bruce Engelke, Johanna Homan, Jack Wallinga, Dennis Templer, and Steve Koch. Others present were: Anthony Larsen, Dennis Fogelman, Mark Shriver, Mari Radtke, Rebecca Webster, Cali Muilenburg, Mike & Sharon Flinders, Corey Zimmer, and Officer Jami Webster. There were no comments or questions taken. A motion was made by Engelke seconded by Templer to adjourn the public hearing. All were in favor. Motion carried.

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Corey Zimmer, for the Zoning Board, was added as a guest. A motion was made by Koch seconded by Homan to approve the agenda, previous minutes and clerks report. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Corey Zimmer stated that the Zoning Board would recommend allowing the rezoning of Steve Loshman's lot in the Industrial Park. There were questions about how the Industrial Park was originally established. Council will look into this more at the April Council Meeting.

Council reviewed the bills and asked a few questions. A motion was made by Homan seconded by Templer to pay the bills. Roll call: Ayes – Jack Wallinga, Dennis Templer, Steve Koch, Bruce Engelke, and Johanna Homan. Motion carried.

Sharon Flinders gave the council a quick update on the Innes Building. The asbestos was removed last week and the DNR will be reimbursing for the full amount of the work done. They have submitted one grant request and are working on a second to help with the demo of the building.

No Library report available.

The Fire and Ambulance report was given by Fire Chief Mark Shriver. Several members received their Hazmat recertification on February 26th. The EMT Conference in Sioux City was attended by several of our EMT's on Friday and Saturday.

Police Report was given by Officer Webster. She provided two vehicle quotes, quotes for equipment and quotes for a computer for the vehicle. Officer Webster stated that we are the only department in the county not using a computer in the car along with the police software. Officer Webster told council that the software allows for better contact with other police officers, gives greater oversight to the council of what she is doing and how it would help her write tickets quicker with less errors.

Communications and topics for discussion

A motion was made by Koch seconded by Templer to approve Resolution 2018-08 approving the budget for fiscal year 2018-2019. Roll call: Ayes – Jack Wallinga, Dennis Templer, Steve Koch, Bruce Engelke, and Johanna Homan. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Koch to accept Resolution 2018-09 authorizing the City to enter into a contract & convey Real Estate. All were in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Engelke seconded by Wallinga to set the public hearing for April 2nd at 7:00 p.m. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem announced the Mayor's appointments to the Wage Review Committee. Mayor Gifford appointed Johanna Homan and Dennis Templer to work with her on the committee.

The council will have a workshop on Monday, March 12th at 6:30 p.m. to work on the updating of the Employee Handbook.

City Clerk requested permission to close the account for the previous owners of the Innes Building. The account charges are of the rural water debt fee and lagoon improvement fee and late fees. The Offset Program is not available since the previous owners are out of state. A motion was made by Engelke seconded by Homan to close and hold the account. No further late fees will be assessed to the account. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Standing Committee Reports:

Water – numbers indicate that there is a leak somewhere. Corey asked others to keep a look out.

Streets – pot holes will need fixed once snow melts.

Sanitation (sewer) – No issues found with camera. Sewer main on the east side of Southern may need more work in the spring, just had it cleared of tree roots.

Town Property – Corey would like to purchase a front suspension system for the mower. It will make for a nicer riding mower. Council gave Corey the okay to purchase it. Cost is estimated at \$399.00.

Weeds and Debris – JTV is encroaching on the roadway again. Council requested Officer Webster issue a letter.

Sanitary Service (garbage) – Clerk will set up the Town Clean-up day as April 28th and will schedule the HHM trailer close to that date.

A motion to adjourn was made by Homan seconded by Engelke. All were in favor. Motion carried.

_____ Mayor Pro Tem Jack Wallinga

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