

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Bloomington City Offices

December 11, 2013

Invocation: Marilyn Wilkes

Called to order at 7:00

The regular meeting of the City of Bloomington was called to order at 7:00 on November 13, 2013, by Mayor Dunford.

Attendees: David Madsen, Ted McGhee, Joe Dunford, Jay Ward, Marilyn Wilkes, Debbie Thomas. Roy Bunderson was absent from this meeting.

Visitors: Jason Linford (Sunrise Engineering), David Matthews, Rich Kearn, Richard Nelson (Planning and Zoning)

Jason Linford Sunrise Engineering– 1st thing to be done in January will be to reapply for the funding grant on the sewer. The application will be filled out to begin this process. Jason thinks that this year it should be granted. Jason has visited the Lagoons and feels the work was completed very well. No valves will be installed this year, they aren't completed. Jay asked if the manhole could be pumped out and sealed. Jason will get in touch with supplier and arrange for holes to be sealed. Jay Ward has turned off the valve on the one Lagoon so it won't freeze. It should be good for the winter. Goal is for this upcoming May, after winter, to restart this project. It was suggested that manholes be raised so they stick up out of the ground. Ted McGhee asked if the camera man ever returned to check pipes. He did, and they found some leaks. Now the focus is the other pipes in question. 7 or 8 water meters were read by Shaun. He had to do some fixing on the meters before they could be read. To address Roy's question of: "Are we ready for winter even without the valves being replaced?" The answer is yes, after the manholes are sealed with the new product. Jason will get with Roy concerning the roads. Next step is to read the Water Facility Planning Draft, take notes, and be prepared with comments at the next board meeting on the 8th of January.

We bought \$100.00 worth of traps for the Lagoon.

Minutes – Motion to approve September's minutes as amended.

Motion to accept November's minutes as amended.

Jay Ward, Ted McGhee, Vote Unanimous with Roy being absent

Canvassing of the vote – Motion to accept the Canvassing of the Vote as follows:

Mayor – David Madsen

4 year term for Council Member

Roy Bunderson

Ted McGhee

2 year term for Council Member

Rich Kearn

David Madsen, Jay Ward, Vote Unanimous with Roy being absent

City Hall and Offices – They are a month behind on the work in the church in Montpelier for the free curtains. Karen is holding off until she sees the condition of those curtains before ordering new ones. The light and door has been installed at the city office. Sound proofing was also talked about.

PA system for the hall is going to be purchased, different types were discussed. Ted suggested that we have the old one looked at for repair before we purchase a new one. Debbie will check out the system before we purchase a new. Ted suggested we postpone the decision of purchasing a new system until old one is checked. Topic was tabled.

Planning and Zoning – Nothing new to report. They haven't met because of holidays. Ted broached the topic of the city council taking back control of Planning and Zoning. Richard Nelson said that names of new members for P&Z be submitted by the board. He feels that the Land Use Ordinance needs to be completed before new members are added. Discussion was tabled until next month. Board suggested that the P&Z stay their own entity of 5 members. Richard asked if Comprehensive Plan (direction for the city) has been passed by an attorney. The board felt it had. The next step will be to set up a hearing from the city. Discussion tabled.

Water – Jay presented David Matthews as the Sewer RCO and Drinking Water RCO. We need to set up a formal contract with David for his work. His hiring is from this time until the time that Shaun Turner and Rich Kearn receive their own RCO or SRCO licenses. David stated that he was more than willing to help us in any way he can. David brought up the question of liability. The mayor feels that the liability lies with the city.

Will be willing to fulfill all state requirement required by the state - Job description. He will also be willing to act as SRCO for water. Bloomington City will hire him as a city employee so he falls under our umbrella of protection and liability. We will pay him \$20.00 an hour for his services.

Motion to hire David Matthews on an hourly basis as a city employee as an RCO on sewer and SRCO on water

David Madsen, Jay Ward, Vote Unanimous with Roy being absent

Water – Shaun was wondering if his files can be stored here at the city offices? He was authorized to bring in a file cabinet to the back bedroom for storage. Shaun stated that all water testing had a positive report this month. Shaun had question on the Ferguson pump bill. Marilyn and Shaun will get together and figure out the problem.

Payment of Expenses – Motion to pay all bills with exception of Ferguson until question worked out. At that time they have authorization to pay bill.

David Madsen, Ted McGhee, Vote Unanimous with Roy being absent

Water line up to the cemetery is broken and leaking into the ditch. It is a substantial leak just east of the road. Board discussed the best way to handle this leak. Shaun will be called to check out the problem and decide the best way to handle the problem. Jay will contact him.

Roads – Nothing to report.

Delinquent Accounts – Letters will be sent to each account requesting the following information: Name of account, payee of account, physical address of account in Bloomington, desired email address. The letter will include terms of payment for accounts.

David on AIC meeting – Everyone should have their own email address other than their private one, that one should not be used.

Shaun Turner has agreed to take the vacancy of the 2 year term. He suggested that Shaun be put over water and Rich be placed over sewer. Jay stated that one other person would consider serving on the board, David Bee. David Madsen stated he would rather have David Bee head P&Z.

I should always have the ability to contact the city attorney, Steve Wurthrich, without authority of the board.

Next Meeting time and date – January 8, 2014 at 7:00

Jay Ward motion to adjourn

Ted McGhee, Vote Unanimous with Roy being absent

Dismissed at 10:25