Pennock City Council Meeting Tuesday, September 1, 2015

Pennock City Council held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center. The following members were present Mayor Kevin Crowley, Council members Dave Miller, Jeff Arends, Bruce Bastin and Terry Thole. Also present were Gaylen Thompson, Troy Hamstad and Deputy Ross Johnson.

Mayor Crowley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Council member Miller to approve the August 4th Council minutes; Council member Thole seconds the motion. The motion passed.

The bills were presented. Motion by Council member Bastin to pay all the bills, Council member Arends seconds the motion. The motion passed.

Deputy Ross Johnson presented the Sheriff's report. For the month of August there were 75 hours.

OLD BUSINESS

Closing of the brush site was discussed due to the illegal dumping of items. It was decided the brush site hours will be Monday, Wednesday and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. otherwise you need to contact the City Office or a Council member for access.

It was mentioned that the next meeting on ordinances is going to be Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. at the City Office. The section to be reviewed at this meeting is going to be on nuisances.

Mayor Crowley mentioned that Perry Schmidt with Center Point Energy continues to survey residents for indicator of interest on Natural Gas. Survey forms can be picked up at the City Office, Post Office and Heritage Bank. This is important for the City to have a strong showing interest for Center Point to continue with the residential construction plan.

NEW BUSINESS

There was a Contractor's Application for payment request from Genearl Construction Services, Inc. for the Elevated Tank project (water tower) for the design, shop drawing and bonds. Motion by Council member Thole to approve the contractor payment with contingent upon Larry VanHout with WSN's approval; Council member Arends seconds the motion. The motion passed.

The 2016 preliminary budget was presented; the budget will increase 4% from last year with the Proposed Levy being \$144,233.00. The final budget will be reviewed in December 2015 and at that time the budget can be decreased but not increased. Council member Arends made a motion to accept the preliminary budget as presented with adjustments made on General Expense Fund and Water Fund; Council member Thole seconds the motion. The motion passed.

It was mentioned that a resident requested gravel on Hidden Acres Drive. Maintenance employee Thole will take care of filling the pot holes.

Propane contract prices were reviewed. Dooley's Petroleum was \$.99 per gallon and Central Lakes Coop was \$1.19 per gallon. Motion by Council member Miller to accept Dooley's Petroleum at \$.99; Council member Bastin seconds the motion. The motion passed.

There were three bids recieved from Bargen Inc. of Mountain Lake, Midwest Asphalt Maintanance, LLC of Belgrade and Astech Asphal Surface Technologies Corporation on St. Cloud for crack filling.

Bargen Inc. \$10,756.00
Midwest Asphalt Maintanance \$28,810.00
Astech Asphalt Surface Technologies Corp. \$ 1.98/lb (no total given)

Motion by Council member Miller to go with Bargen Inc.; Council member Bastin seconds the motion. The motion passed.

It was mentioned as to having a Fall City Wide garage sale. No date has been set, further research is going to be done.

Tree trimming around town was discussed, will look at getting a couple of bids.

Being no further business Council member Bastin made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Council member Arends seconds the motion. The motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Official minutes will be approved at the October 6, 2015 Council meeting.

Dawn Johnson Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer