

Pennock City Council Meeting
Tuesday, February 3, 2015

Pennock City Council held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 3, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Pennock Community Center. The following members were present Mayor Kevin Crowley, Council members Jeff Arends, Terry Thole, Dave Miller and Bruce Bastin. Also present were Troy Hamstad, Gaylen Thompson and Deputy Ross Johnson.

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

Motion by Council member Arends to approve the January 6th Council minutes, Council member Thole seconds the motion. The motion passed.

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

Deputy Ross Johnson presented the sheriff's report. For the month of January there were 62 hours.

OLD BUSINESS

The 2015 Animal Control Officer contract was presented and signed by Troy Hamstad.

Mayor Crowley updated the council as to the status on the City Ordinances that Matt Johnson with Mid-MN Development has been working on.

NEW BUSINESS

Council member Miller made a motion to accept the renewal of the Self-Insured Accident Plan for Volunteers; Council member Bastin seconds the motion. The motion passed.

Mayor Crowley mentioned that it was time to renew the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Policy. Motion by Council member Thole to renew the Umbrella Liability Policy and do not waive the Municipal Tort Liability Statute; Council member Arends seconds the motion. The motion passed.

Mayor Crowley presented the Humane Society of Kandiyohi/Meeker County Hawk Creek Animal Shelter Agreement. Motion by Council member Miller to sign the agreement; Council member Bastin seconds the motion. The motion passed.

It was mentioned that City Maintenance Employee Terry Thole would like to attend the MRWA Water & Wastewater Conference in St. Cloud on March 3 - 5 to meet class requirement time for his wastewater license.

It was mentioned that Clerk Johnson would like to attend the 2015 Minnesota Municipal Clerks Institute in Plymouth, MN on May 4 – 8.

It was mentioned that the Convenience Store Rent Contract was up for renewal. Council member Bastin made a motion to accept the 10% increase for a 5 year period effective January 1, 2015; Council member Arends seconds the motion. The motion passed.

There was discussion on replacing Christmas lights. Clerk Johnson is going to do further research on pricing.

It was mentioned that employees Thompson, Thole and Johnson met with Dave Neiman of Minnesota Rural Water Association (MRWA) on some requirements that the City needs to complete for its Wellhead Protection Plan (WHP).

There was discussion on planting trees on the south side of Atlantic Avenue NW. Employee Thole will figure out as to how many trees the city would need to get and how much it would cost.

It was mentioned that the cottonwood tree in the location where the new water tower is going to be built needs to be removed. Clerk Johnson will get estimates.

The Arrow Lift Performance Plan was reviewed. Council member Thole made a motion to renew the Performance Plan; Council member Arends seconds the motion. The motion passed.

Mayor Crowley mentioned that the Lions had discussed about putting a cement pad next to the Community Center for putting picnic tables on for Pennock Fun Days, picnics, etc. and then possibly in the future putting up a shelter. Council member Thole made a motion to table until after the water tower is complete; Council member Miller seconds the motion. The motion passed.

Mayor Crowley mentioned a digital sign for the City. It was said that it would be put at the Pit Stop on the Tesoro sign. It would be a way of communication for the residents and public. It was tabled until a later date.

Council member Thole mentioned that the pump house on well #4 if a liquid storage tank could be added. It was said to look into as to what it would cost.

Being no further business Council member Arends made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Council member Thole seconds the motion. The motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Official minutes will be approved at the March 3, 2015 Council meeting.

Dawn Johnson
Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer