

Pennock City Council Meeting
Tuesday, February 6, 2024

Pennock City Council held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Pennock Community Center. The following members were present Mayor Kevin Crowley, Council member Jeff Arends, Bruce Bastin and Karen Skaggs. Also present was maintenance employee Donovan Peters and Deputy Sam King.

Motion by Council member Bastin to accept the agenda as presented; Council member Arends seconds the motion. The motion passed.

Motion by Council member Arends to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of the January 2, 2024 Council minutes and to pay all the February bills; Council member Bastin seconds the motion. The motion passed.

OPEN REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

Sheriff's Report - Deputy King was present for the sheriff's report. For the month of January there were 83 hours.

CITIZENS FORUM

There was nothing.

OLD BUSINESS

409 Atlantic Avenue NE Bid Opening – There was one bid received by Glacial Ridge Ventures, LLC (Matt Haats) in the amount of \$9,350.00. Motion by Council member Skaggs to accept the bid; Council member Arends seconds the motion. The motion passed.

Council position vacancy – Clerk Johnson received a letter of interest from resident Kerry Gross and resident Cory Jorschumb. Resident Kerry Gross was appointed to fill Dave Miller's position until December 31, 2024.

2024 Watermain Looping Project – Motion by Council member Bastin to authorize Widseth Engineering to set out for bids for the watermain looping project; Council member Arends seconds the motion. The motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Conduit Bond Issuer for Bethesda Willmar Project – Motion by Council member Arends to serve as bond counsel with the contingent to City Attorney Brad Schmidt reviewing the document before the City signs; Council member Bastin seconds the motion. The motion passed.

LMCIT Premium Option for Workers' Compensation Coverage – Motion by Council member Skaggs to go with the Standard Premium; Council member Arends seconds the motion. The motion passed.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Crowley

- Mentioned that Jason Kowalczyk would like to pursue having a summer wooden bat league. They are wanting to have the lights fixed at the ball field. They also would like to take out the mound. Mayor Crowley will bring back more information next month.
- Mentioned that the City's plow truck hydraulic system is shot. There has been difficulty finding parts. It is possible that the expenses to repair it are going to cost approximately \$10,000.00 or more.
- Mentioned that St. John's Township is doing a resolution in opposition to redesigning the state flag and seal. It was said to bring a resolution with the correct verbiage back to the March Council meeting to review.

Council Member Skaggs

- Inquired on how the Asset Management Software System was going. Clerk Johnson said that we have started with entering fire hydrants and flushing in the system along with a few other items.

OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Due to the PNP (Presidential Nomination Primary) Elections on Tuesday, March 5, 2024 the March Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 6, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Being no further business Council member Skaggs made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Council member Arends seconds the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m. Official minutes will be approved at the next Council meeting.

Dawn Johnson
Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer