

Pennock City Council Meeting  
Tuesday, April 5, 2016

Pennock City Council held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 6, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. at the Pennock 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, Deputy Ross Johnson, Troy Hamstad, Gene Ward with Webtomix, residents Jim Kidrowski, Karen Skaggs and Andrea Walz and Kristopher Swanson with BNSF Railway Company.

Mayor Crowley called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Motion by Council member Thole to approve the March 2<sup>nd</sup> Council minutes, Council member Arends 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 March there were 75.75 hours.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

The mowing bids were opened; there were a total of 2 bids with 6 mowing jobs. The following bids were awarded to:

- Community Center – Jon Swanson @ \$33.00
- Evergreen Area – Jon Swanson @ \$26.00
- West Side Park – Jon Swanson @ \$22.00
- Picnic Shelter, Lots across from the Post Office – Andrea Walz @ \$33.00
- East Side Park – Andrea Walz @ \$20.00
- South Side Park & Ditch – City Maintenance employees

Motion by Council member Arends to accept the mowing bids; Council member Miller seconds the motion. The motion passed.

Gene Ward with Webtomix was present to give an update and show Council of changes that have been made to the City website.

The Pennock City Wide Clean-up Day for city residents of Pennock is scheduled for May 7<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. for *City of Pennock residents*. **Be prepared to show proof of residency.** There will be a \$10.00 charge per appliance for any non-city resident (this is a change from the March minutes due to the increase the City will be charged). Batteries will be accepted. NO TIRES AND FLOURESCENT LIGHT BULBS ALLOWED.

The Pennock City Wide Garage Sales are scheduled for May 21<sup>st</sup> from 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. If you would like your name put on the list that is handed out or would like your sale at the Community Center contact Clerk Johnson at 599-4546.

Mayor Crowley mentioned that the Pennock Fire Department’s Pancake and Sausage Supper on Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m at the Pennock Fire Hall.

There was discussion on the proposal packet that Council member Bastin handed out at the March meeting on permanently mounting our existing GenSet at the lift pump location.

Option # 1: Transfer switch from Katolight Dist. and Jim Sullivan Electric	\$5922.07
Option # 2: Transfer switch from Katolight Dist. and Freetly Electric	\$6450.00
Option # 3: Transfer switch from Freetly Electric and Freetly Electric	\$6265.00

Motion by Council member Thole to go with Option # 3; Council member Arends seconds the motion. The motion passed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

A resolution for Establishing Limited Clean up and Property Damage Protection for Sewer back-ups and Water main breaks for Water and Sewer customers was presented. Motion by Council member Bastin to cover up to \$10,000.00; Council member Thole seconds the motion. Roll call vote was taken with Council member Arends, Bastin, Miller and Thole in favor and Mayor Crowley in favor. Motion passed.

Kristopher Swanson with BNSF Railway Company was present with information on the possibility of wanting to close the crossings at 105<sup>th</sup> Street NW and Atlantic Avenue. The decision to close the Atlantic Avenue crossing is the option of the City. The City referred BNSF to St. John’s Township for the 105<sup>th</sup> Street NW Crossing. No decisions were made.

Resident Jim Kidrowski was present requesting to cut down a tree on Park Avenue.

There was discussion on the property at 233 3<sup>rd</sup> Street NW being inhabitable. Clerk Johnson will contact Building Inspector Mike Jacobson and City Attorney Jay Liedman.

It was mentioned that there was a tree by the Pump House East of County Road 1 that was dead. Clerk Johnson will contact Hurley’s Tree Service to have it removed.

It was mentioned that the lights at the Community Center need upgrading. Clerk Johnson will look into getting quotes.

Street sweeping was mentioned and was decided not to have street sweeping done this spring.

Mayor Crowley mentioned that the City is on the list of receiving WiFi (Hot Spot) at the Community Center.

Being no further business Council member Bastin made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Council member Thole seconds the motion. The motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Official minutes will be approved at the Monday, May 9, 2016 Council meeting.

Dawn Johnson  
Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer