

Pennock City Council Meeting
Wednesday, November 4, 2015

Pennock City Council held their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, November 4, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center. The following members were present Mayor Kevin Crowley, Council members Jeff Arends, Bruce Bastin and Dave Miller. Absent Terry Thole. Also present were 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 October 6th Council minutes; Council member Bastin 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.

Motion by Council member Bastin to transfer funds from the General Miscellaneous Fund to the General Street Maintenance Fund to help fund the Duininck Inc. street repair bill; Council member Miller seconds the motion. The motion passed.

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

Deputy Ross Johnson presented the sheriff's report. For the month of October there were 47.25 hours.

OLD BUSINESS

Motion by Council member Bastin to accept the #2 pay request in the amount of \$87,400 and the #3 pay request in the amount of \$165,145.37 along with the change order increase in the amount of \$1240.50; Council member Arends seconds the motion. The motion passed.

Clerk Johnson announced that the next ordinance meeting will be Tuesday, November 10th at 10:30 a.m. at the City Office. The ordinances will be available for public review at the City Office on Tuesday, November 17th. A public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, December 1st at 7:15 p.m. at the Pennock Community Center.

There was discussion on the status of the natural gas surveys. Perry with Center Point Energy said that the interest cards have slowed down. His last mailing was focused on the Southeast section of town from 2nd Street SE to 4th Street SE and he did not receive any responses. He thought that the Southwest section of town should receive gas next year. The north section of town is still in need of more interest to bring down the cost. It was discussed that Clerk Johnson will print a survey on the back of the utility bills and we are asking that everyone please complete the survey and return it back to the City Office even if you have already done so.

Clerk Johnson mentioned that we have received a bid for tree trimming.

BAM Services

\$2350.00

Motion by Council member Miller to accept the bid with BAM Services subject to the approval of maintenance employee Thole's final review of the bid; Council member Arends seconds the motion. The motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

The Kandiyohi Men's Club Holiday Express Eighteen Wheeler will be in Pennock on Thursday, December 10th at 8:15 p.m. at the Community Center. Bring your family and come visit Santa and Mrs. Claus and enjoy refreshments and goodies.

Mayor Crowley mentioned that the City needs to show appreciation to Jenni and Darwin Thorpe for work that was done with the Haunted Mansion.

Mayor Crowley mentioned that he received a letter in regards to updates to the city website. It was tabled and to have Gene Ward with Webtomix come to the December Council meeting with different options for the update.

It was mentioned that the City received a letter from Swift County requesting support of reopening the prison in Appleton with the state leasing and operating it. Motion by Council member Bastin to adopt the resolution to support reopening the Appleton prison; Council member Arends seconds the motion. In favor was Council members Arends, Bastin and Miller and Mayor Crowley. Not in favor none. The motion passed.

It was asked if Council would be interested in looking at getting a contract price for street sweeping. It was said for Clerk Johnson to go ahead and look at getting contract.

Mayor Crowley mentioned that he spoke to John with Ottertail Power Company in regards to putting a street light on the Southside of Gary Crowe's lot on Horseshoe Drive. It would cost the City \$7.96/month. Motion by Council member Bastin to have the street light installed; Council member Miller seconds the motion. The motion passed.

Being no further business Council member Arends made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Council member Miller seconds the motion. The motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45p.m.

Official minutes will be approved at the Tuesday, December 1, 2015 Council meeting.

Dawn Johnson
Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer