

APRIL 9, 2019

Attendance: Mayor Farrand, Barb Schmidtkecht, Gwen Katula, Cheryl Braatz, Sol Simon, Heidi Stanton (Scribe)

Others: Janet LaDuke, Gil Adams, Frances Burt, Lee Bailey, Robert Keiper, Lance LaDuke, Mayor Jim Wilke (Alma), David Schams, Tyler Kulig, David Brommerich, Ann Bohri, Judy Boehm, Nancy Andersen

1. Meeting called to order by Mayor Farrand at 7:00pm

.2. Approval of minutes from March 12th Regular Meeting & March 20th Special Council Meeting - Motion Sol, 2nd Gwen to approve minutes from March 12th meeting. Motion carried. Motion Sol, 2nd Cheryl to approve minutes from March 20th meeting. Motion carried.

3. Purchase of New Truck, Plow and Dump Box - Motion Sol, 2nd Barb to approve purchase of F450, plow & dump box for \$54,509. Motion carried. Sol moved to amend his previous motion that the purchase of the truck be contingent on the 2019 Budget be amended, 2nd Gwen. Motion carried.

4. Repair of Sidewalk on Corner of Main and North Street in Front of Auditorium - Council requests that the discussion of the rest of the concrete repair bid be put on the April 16, 2019 Council Meeting.

5. Winona Connector Project – Jim Wilkie, Alma Mayor - Mayor Wilkie presented a Resolution of Support for Buffalo County's Winona Connector Project and Flyway Trails Extension to Marshland. Motion Sol, 2nd Gwen to approve the presented resolution. Motion carried.

6. Flood Preparations and Planning - PW's is hauling the extra sandbags to the site of the new Fire Station per the Fire Association request to use for fill. Residents are welcome to also bring their extra sandbags if they want to get rid of them.

7. Hwy 35 Sewer Repair Project and USDA Funding of \$235,000 Grant & \$93,000, Low- Interest Loan for Project -

Motion Sol, 2nd Barb to accept the USDA-Rural Development Funding and accepting to increase the City's loan by \$93,000. Motion carried.

8. New Well Project - No further action taken at this time.

9. Sewer Line Easement - No action taken.

10. DNR Phosphorus Requirements – By June the DNR wants to know what the City's plan is to lower the phosphorus level.

11. Resignation of First Ward Alderperson Richard Kennerly – Motion Gwen, 2nd Cheryl to accept the resignation of Richard Kennerly. Motion carried.

12. Appointment of First Ward Alderperson Seat – No action taken.

13. City Hall Open Hours – Motion Cheryl, 2nd Barb to change City Hall Open Hours to M-F 8:30-4:30p. Motion carried. Motion Sol, 2nd Cheryl to amend previous motion to have City Hall closed for lunch hour 12:00p-1:00p. Amended motion carried. Gwen will update the website.

14. 2018 Audit Review - Motion Barb, 2nd Gwen to accept the 2018 Audit Review as prepared by Russell & Associates. Motion carried.

15. General Fund Budget Amendment: Motion Barb, 2nd Gwen to amend the General Fund Budget to shift \$54,409 from the Equipment Capital Fund & a shift of \$20,350 from the Street/Roads Capital Fund to cover the purchase of the new truck and to complete the necessary cement/concrete work. Motion carried. Barb will take care of publication.

16. Bills - Motion Barb, 2nd Gwen to pay all bills with the exception of NEI. Motion carried.

17. Adjourn - Motion Sol, 2nd Gwen to adjourn @ 8:55pm. All members in agreement. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Stanton
Deputy Clerk