

Wrenshall City Council

June 4, 2015, 7:00 PM-Regular Meeting

Attendance: Duane Ziebarth, Gary Butala, Jeff Kimmes, John Tanner, Melvin Martindale, Alieca Johnson, Renae House, Harvey Korby, Ray Erickson, Dean Bader, Guy Wait, Dolores Dennie, and Brad Scott.

Motion by Kimmes; seconded by Tanner to approve the Agenda with the addition of 13(a) Summer Water/Sewer Rates. Motion carried.

Motion by Ziebarth seconded by Martindale to approve the Consent Agenda including checks as follows: Pre-paids-#26444 - #26458....\$6,941.58; Payroll-#26459 - #26473....\$5,997.99; June bills-#26474- #26484 & 06/04/15-1 thru -3.....\$5,560.70; and Electronic Transfers- DC05/15-1 through -4; 05/12/15-1 & -2....\$2,750.47. Motion carried.

Engineering: A number of task orders were presented and reviewed by council. Motion by Tanner; seconded by Ziebarth to approve Task Order #3 for as-built services to include details of the recent waterline extension project on the City's water map: \$1,055. Motion carried.

Motion by Tanner; seconded by Kimmes to approve Task Order #4 to cover general engineering services up to \$5,085. Motion carried. Task Order #5 for design/plans for sewer lining was discussed. Motion by Tanner; seconded by Martindale to table this matter until Brad has sent sewer video to a number of contractors to confirm if lining is feasible and has checked on the availability of grant funding. Motion carried. Motion by Butala; seconded by Martindale to send a letter to Carlton County requesting GIS data be released to LHB to aid in mapping and other projects. Ziebarth-YES; Kimmes-YES; Butala-YES, Tanner-YES; Martindale-YES.

Fire Chief: There were 6 calls in January; 1 fire and 5 medical. The school evacuation drill went well. Motion by Ziebarth; seconded by Martindale to accept the resignations of Lori Moe and the termination of one other member from the fire department. Motion carried. The shed has been purchased and is ready for magazine donations. Thank you was given to the City for helping with the cost. The grass rig (#652) will be taken in for front end repair.

Water Operator: Quarterly water samples are not getting to the lab on time due to changes with the USPS. Samples will be taken to Cloquet and sent overnight, but if problems continue other options will have to be considered. Ferguson will be contacted as recent repairs made to the chlorine pump have not solved issues. Kent Well Drilling will be asked to complete televising and inspection of Well #1 as approved in our Source Water Protection Grant.

Clerk: A complaint was received about residents blowing grass into the city streets and sidewalks. A reminder will be put on water bills not to do so. The WLSSD Board will be holding an election on 6/17/15 at 4:00 PM at the Carlton County Courthouse and Gary Butala

will attend the meeting on the City's behalf. A report on the condition of city streets was received from Kimiski Paving. Motion by Ziebarth; seconded by Kimmes to start with crack sealing of Goad, Maple and Evergreen as recommended. Motion carried. Dust control will begin next week weather permitting.

The Planning Commission will meet on July 14, 2015, and will begin work on updating the City's Comprehensive Plan.

Digital Speed Sign: Signs approved for purchase at the special meeting on May 28, 2015, were reviewed based on new information from the vendor. Motion by Ziebarth; seconded by Martindale to purchase two (2) Model #SEDFB12-55-W signs at a cost of \$2,900/each, plus shipping. Ziebarth-YES; Kimmes-YES; Butala-YES; Tanner-YES; Martindale-YES.

Fence on Utility Easement: Motion by Butala; seconded by Tanner to allow the property owner at 414 Goad to keep his fence on the undeveloped city street on a temporary basis. Approval will be reviewed annually. Motion carried. An agreement will be drafted and reviewed by Frank Yetka prior to signature.

It was verified that a \$6.00/month credit will be applied to all sewer accounts during June, July and August as previously set by council and given for a number of years.

The status of the snow bucket approved for purchase; the problem of residents plowing snow into city streets, the website and the viability of a town constable were discussed briefly.

Motion by Tanner; seconded by Kimmes to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 PM. Motion carried.