

# Wrenshall City Council

## August 4, 2016, 7:00 PM-Regular Meeting

Attendance: Jeff Kimmes, Gary Butala, Duane Ziebarth, Melvin Martindale, Alieca Johnson, Mike Gravelle, Guy Wait, Harvey Korby, Randy Wolf, Cindy Washenesky and 2 other residents. DonnaMae Weiderman was absent.

Motion by Kimmes; seconded by Martindale to approve the Agenda as presented with the addition of: 13. Ordinances, Resolution and Policies-Chicken Ordinance. Motion carried.

Motion by Martindale; seconded by Butala to approve the Consent Agenda including checks as follows: Pre-paids-#27020 - #27033....\$9,134.19; Payroll-#27034 - #27052....\$6,011.68; August bills-#27053- #27069 and 08/04/16-1 thru -3....\$7,689.92; and Electronic Transfers-DC07/16-1 thru -4; 07/13/16-1 & -2; ETFR16-03....\$2,819.73. Motion carried.

Thank you was given to the Tvedts for their generous donation of cookies for residents at city hall during the recent power outage and to maintenance staff for the great job getting the city ready for Brickyard Days.

Sewer Lining: Motion by Ziebarth; seconded by Kimmes to authorize and acknowledge the payment to Visu-Sewer of \$89,405.21 that was made on June 9, 2016. Motion carried.

Motion by Ziebarth; seconded by Martindale to post “No Camping or Overnight Parking” signs at the city park and the location of the old recycle shed on County Road 18. Motion carried.

Fire Chief: There were 15 calls in July; 3 fire and 7 medical, and the department was called to help with downed trees, etc. after the recent wind storm. An open house will take place after the Brickyard Days’ parade and there is a planned LifeFlight helicopter landing at the school during that event. Replacements for the grass rig and first responder vehicles are still being looked into.

Water Operator: Fluoride levels continue to be below the level recommended by the state and are being monitored. More tests were taken at Well #1 and Midwest will be asked to retest the new meter. It is Guy’s recommendation that the City budget next year for a new pump and other repairs that may be needed. Estimates will be provided before the budget session. Wiikwaibaan Inini inspected the Parkwood pump station and pump seals were good, but the floats had broken off and were lying in the bottom. These were repaired and adjusted. Providing water to the rental area of the water building was looked into.

Clerk: The budget work session previously set for August 23 will be rescheduled to Wednesday, August 24, 2016, at 6:30 PM.

The Planning Commission met on July 28, 2016, and had the following actions:

1. Voted to approve the Interim Use Permit (IUP) returned by US Solar;
2. Recommend that the City work with John Powers on developing a comprehensive plan; and
3. Voted to recommend that the City Council amend City ordinances to allow chickens.

Motion by Martindale; seconded by Ziebarth to set a public hearing on the IUP requested by US Solar for Thursday, August 25, 2016, at 6:30 PM. Motion carried.

Motion by Ziebarth; seconded by Martindale to accept the recommended change to the personnel policy to clarify employees eligible for vacation leave. Motion carried.

Motion by Butala; seconded by Martindale to change November and December meeting dates to the second Thursdays of those months (November 10 and December 8) to allow for canvassing of the election results at the November meeting and to allow four full weeks between the November and December meetings. Motion carried.

Motion by Butala; seconded by Ziebarth to verify if the question of allowing chickens could be on the November ballot. If not, the matter will be scheduled for public hearing on Thursday, August 25, 2016, at 6:30 PM. Motion carried.

Motion by Ziebarth; seconded by Kimmes to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 PM. Motion carried.