

# Wrenshall City Council

## October 5, 2017, 7:00 PM-Regular Meeting

Attendance: Donna Mae Weiderman, Jeff Kimmes, Gary Butala, Duane Ziebarth, Melvin Martindale, Alieca Johnson, Renae House, Randy Wolf, Pete Laveau, Ted Erickson, Dolores Dennie, Guy Wait, Renee Tschida, Gerald and Rose Axtel.

Motion by Weiderman; seconded by Martindale to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Martindale seconded by Kimmes to approve the Consent Agenda including checks as follows: Pre-paids-#27622 – 27632.....\$4,966.96; Payroll #27633 - #27644.....\$5,814.53; October bills-#27645 - #27659 and 10/05/17-1 thru -3....\$22,367.28; and Electronic Transfers-DC09/17-1 thru -5 and 09/13/17-1 & -2.....\$2,475.28. Motion carried

Engineering: Motion by Ziebarth; seconded by Martindale to approve Task Order #6 for \$11,000 to prepare a feasibility study for the Goad/Erickson project. Motion carried.

Harvey Korby and Doug Winger were thanked again for their many years of service with the City of Wrenshall. Congratulations were given to Alieca Johnson for being awarded the designation of Minnesota Certified Municipal Clerk.

Fire Chief: There were 8 calls in September; 6 medical/2 fire. Motion by Weiderman; seconded by Kimmes to approve the purchase of a DNR vehicle for \$10,500. Weiderman-YES; Kimmes-YES; Ziebarth-YES; Martindale-YES; Butala-YES, Motion carried. Motion by Weiderman; seconded by Ziebarth to allow the fire department to purchase I-pads for use in the fire trucks and to approve the associated service contract with AT&T at \$84.81/month. The new F-250 should be delivered soon. Niel Meierhofer has indicated that because of delays caused by the hurricanes in Florida and Texas FEMA grants are still being given out. He said not to give up until we receive a denial letter, but he will help us next year if we need to reapply. The department has met with a representative from PERA about their Statewide Firefighter Retirement Plan. Another meeting will be set with state officials to provide more information to the council. A decision on whether or not to switch to PERA needs to be made by early November in order to start the new system next year.

Water Operator: Quotes for cleaning the inside of the water tower and repairing the cathodic protection system have been received as follows: KLM-\$ 2,800; Maguire-\$1,700. Maguire will be asked to clarify their quote to make sure it includes at least 1 hour for repair of the cathodic system and an hourly rate for any additional hours needed. Motion by Butala; seconded by Martindale to hire Kiminski Paving to make an additional repair to Parkwood when they are working in the area at a cost not to exceed \$1,000. Motion carried. Motion by Weiderman;

seconded by Butala to accept the resignation of Guy Wait as water operator with regret. The three-month notice required in his contract will be applicable, unless a replacement can be found sooner. Motion carried.

Clerk: Our new maintenance employee will be starting October 10. Work on the skating rink area has been completed. A complaint was received about excess speed on the new alley between Goad and Mason. A complaint was also received about a resident continually burning garbage in the eastern area of the city. All residents are reminded that burning garbage is prohibited by city ordinances and Minnesota State Law.

The Planning Commission will meet on October 26, 2017, at 6:30 PM.

Minnesota Power has indicated that they can install an additional light approximately 150' from the west end of Mason at no cost to the City. They will be asked for a quote on installing the light at the corner of Mason and the new alley. Parsons will be contacted for an additional quote.

A cracked beam was discovered at the pavilion. Louck's Construction has taken a look and given an estimate for repair. We are waiting to hear from our insurance whether repair of damages are covered.

Motion by Butala; seconded by Martindale to approve the proposed Shared Maintenance Employee Agreement with Carlton. Weiderman-YES; Kimmes-YES; Ziebarth-YES, Martindale-YES, Butala-YES. Motion carried.

Quotes for the purchase of a brush attachment for the new lawn mower were reviewed. Motion by Martindale; seconded by Weiderman to approve the purchase of a 52" brush from Moose Lake Implement at \$3,070. Motion carried.

Motion by Butala; seconded by Martindale to promote Mike Gravelle from On-call Maintenance Helper to Part-time Maintenance Helper and to increase his wage from \$8.24 to \$10.00/hour beginning October 9, 2017. Motion carried.

Motion by Ziebarth; seconded by Kimmes to approve the revised Capacity Allocation Permit received from WLSSD. Motion carried.

Motion by Kimmes; seconded by Weiderman to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 PM. Motion carried.