

Wrenshall City Council

October 3, 2013, 7:00 PM Regular Meeting

Attendance: Duane Ziebarth, John Tanner, Jeff Kimmes, Melvin Martindale, Mike Hyland, Alieca Johnson, Guy Wait and Gary Butala.

Motion by Tanner; seconded by Kimmes to approve the Agenda with the addition of 12(b) Resignation of Water Operator. Motion carried.

Motion by Ziebarth; seconded by Martindale to approve the Consent Agenda as presented including checks as follows: Pre-paids-#25658-#25669...\$10,116.62; Payroll-#25670-#25680...\$4,404.22; October bills-#25681- #25699 & 10/03/13-1 thru -3.....\$30,023.64; and Electronic Transfers- DC09/13-1 & 2, 09/07/13-1; 09/10/13-1 & 2.....\$2,401.16. Motion carried.

MSA was not present at the meeting. Outstanding task orders and invoices were reviewed and discussed. Motion by Martindale; seconded by Hyland to approve task orders 2b, 2c, 3 and 4 and pay invoices as follows: August 6, 2013-\$365.00; August 30, 2013-\$4,561.00; September 11, 2013-\$500.00 and September 23, 2013-\$723.50 Motion carried.

Water Operator: The City of Carlton is looking into lining some of their sewer lines in 2014, and it was suggested that Wrenshall could save some mobilization costs if it were to consider lining the Pioneer line at the same time. The flow meter at the mobile home park was moved to Pioneer/Crestwood. It was noted that the meter malfunctioned at the first location and will have to be reinstalled next spring.

Clerk: Office staff attended a Sales/Use Tax workshop last Friday. The City will be able to take advantage of tax exempt status starting January 1, 2014. The next Wellhead Protection meeting will take place October 8, 2013, at 10:30 AM. Councilor Tanner will be representing the City at the County Hazard Mitigation Planning Meeting scheduled for October 16, 2013, at 3:30 PM. A letter was received from a resident requesting an adjustment to his sewer billing. Motion by Hyland; seconded by Kimmes to credit the billing for ½ of the amount billed as sewer usage. Motion carried with Martindale and Tanner voting no. The on-call, part-time maintenance helper position has been offered to and accepted by Chris Erickson. The City has also been invited to take in collaborative services meeting with other area cities. Jeff Kimmes will attend the next meeting on October 10, 2013, at 11:30 AM. Motion by Tanner; seconded by Kimmes to ask Ehlers to reevaluate the current water rate increase schedule. Motion carried with Hyland voting no.

Planning Commission: The first quarterly meeting has been set for October 24, 2013 at 6:30 PM.

Water Line Extension: Motion by Martindale; seconded by Kimmes to approve Change Order #01 extending the deadline for completion of the project until June 15, 2013, amending certain line item amounts to reduce the bid amount from \$114,000 to \$102,000 and allowing reimbursement to DeCaigny Excavating in the amount of \$7,800 for water line already purchased. Motion carried.

Goad Curb/Gutter Replacement is almost complete. A 10" gap was repaired and the curb has been replaced. Blacktopping should be complete by the end of next week.

Traffic Signs/ARDC grant: A crosswalk has now been installed across Broadway at Goad Road. The new electronic pedestrian sign has been purchased and will be installed at the Goad location.

No new information has been received about the AT&T Lease or the Minnesota Recovery Application.

The City Attorney has recommended that the City hold off on proceeding with a study and final ordinance regarding synthetic drugs pending the final decision on a related court case now being heard in the Twin Cities.

Motion by Tanner; seconded by Martindale to accept the written resignation of Water Operator Guy Wait effective October 31, 2013. Motion carried.

Motion by Martindale; seconded by Tanner to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM. Motion carried.