

Strawberry Point City Council
Regular Meeting March 7, 2018

The Strawberry Point City Council met for a regular meeting on Wednesday, March 7, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers of City Hall. Mayor Bente presided and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members answering roll call were Chapman, Johnson, Evans and Hansel. Absent: Rowcliffe.

Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Hansel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Chapman, Johnson, Evans and Hansel. Nays: None. Motion passes.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes from February 21st

Claims / Additional Claims

Johnson moved to approve the consent agenda with additional claims. Hansel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Johnson, Evans, Hansel and Chapman. Nays: None. Motion passes.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS
INFORMATION**

Council had no questions regarding the Strawberry Point Library Meeting Minutes from January 16, 2018. There was positive feedback on the Civic Center Open Gym Use report. Council was happy that it was being utilized.

NEW BUSINESS

Council was addressed by representatives from the Brush Creek Canyon Cruisers Car Show. Mayor Bente asked if the group had a location preference this year. They requested to return to E Mission Street in front of the Franklin Hotel, as they had utilized in previous years. Evans inquired what hours the street would need to be blocked off; it was determined 9:00am until 2:00pm. The group wanted to assure Council they would not block the bank driveway on E. Mission St. Osweiler was instructed to notify the Strawberry Point Police Department and the residents on E. Mission Street who would be impacted by the closure. Evans made a motion to allow the Brush Creek Canyon Cruisers to utilize E. Mission Street from 9:00am until 2:00pm for their car show on Saturday, June 9th 2018 during Strawberry Days. Hansel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Evans, Hansel, Chapman and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council reviewed the appointment of a board member to the Upper Explorerland Regional Housing Authority. Evans made a motion to appoint Mike Tucker as the board member for the Upper Explorerland Regional Housing Authority. Chapman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Hansel, Chapman, Johnson and Evans. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council reviewed the request by the Strawberry Point Ambulance Department to apply for the Upper Mississippi Gaming Grant. It was determined that the Council needed more information and the topic was tabled until the March 21, 2018 Council Meeting.

Council reviewed Resolution 18-05 – a resolution to discontinue use of a petty cash fund at City Hall. Osweiler stated that the fund is rarely utilized and believed the liability should be removed from City Hall. The current balance of this fund is \$8.61, with passage of the resolution; the money would be deposited in the City's General Fund. Evans made a motion to approve Resolution 18-05 – a resolution to discontinue use of the petty cash fund at City Hall. Hansel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Chapman, Johnson, Evans and Hansel. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council reviewed Resolution 18-06 – a resolution adopting a policy for the investment of public funds. Osweiler explained the investment policy is the same as the City has had in the past, just updated with the change of job titles and bank information. The City is required to review this policy every two years and this has not been done for quite some time. This has been an item to correct on our annual examination audits. Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 18-06 – a resolution adopting a policy for the investment of public funds. Chapman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Johnson, Evans, Hansel and Chapman. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Mayor Bente opened the public hearing for the Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 17-18. With no comments brought forward, Mayor Bente closed the public hearing for the Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 17-18.

Council reviewed Resolution 18-07 – a resolution amending the current budget for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2018. Evans made a motion to approve Resolution 18-07 – a resolution amending the current budget for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2018. Johnson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Evans, Hansel, Chapman and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Mayor Bente opened the public hearing for the Adoption of the Budget for Fiscal Year 18-19. Osweiler explained that based on the numbers agreed upon during the budget workshops, it appeared that there would be a reduction in the overall amount levied. This is primarily due to the reduction in insurance costs. Hansel emphasized that all departments need to remain as fiscally conservative as possible. Council agreed that more work needs to be done in the next few years to identify ways we reduce expenses and plan for projects. With no further discussion or public comments, Mayor Bente closed the public hearing for the Adoption of the Budget for Fiscal Year 18-19.

Council reviewed Resolution 18-08 – a resolution adopting the budget for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2019. Johnson moved to approve Resolution 18-08 – a resolution adopting the budget for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2019. Hansel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Hansel, Chapman, Johnson and Evans. Nays: None. Motion passes.

OTHER BUSINESS

With no further business, Chapman moved to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. Evans seconded the motion. Motion passes.

Alison Osweiler, City Clerk/Administrator

Jeff Bente, Mayor