

Strawberry Point City Council
Regular Meeting March 18, 2020

The Strawberry Point City Council met for a regular meeting on Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. inside the Council Chambers of City Hall. Mayor Evans presided and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members answering roll call were Johnson, Courtnage, Chapman, Rowcliffe, Hansel.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes from March 4th, 2020

Minutes from March 9th, 2020 Special Meeting

Claims

Courtnage moved to approve the consent agenda. Johnson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Courtnage, Chapman, Rowcliffe, Johnson. Nays: None. Abstain: Hansel. Motion passes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

INFORMATION

Council reviewed the delinquent account listing from February 2020.

NEW BUSINESS

Council reviewed the request from Moser Dance for their Summer Tumbling Clinic in June 2020. Rowcliffe moved to approve the request. Courtnage seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Chapman, Rowcliffe, Hansel, Johnson, Courtnage. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council reviewed two quotes for the replacement of the library roof. Quote 1) Strawberry Building Supply \$44,000.00. Quote 2) Imperial Roof Systems \$47,500.00. After brief discussion Rowcliffe moved to approve the quote from Strawberry Building Supply for \$44,000.00, with the city searching for grants/funding opportunities to help with the cost. Ayes: Rowcliffe, Hansel, Johnson, Courtnage, Chapman. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council discussed the replacement of the roof at the old generation plant building. Sauerbry believed that this can be done by the public works team with a significant cost savings. After further discussion Rowcliffe moved to allow public works to handle the replacement of the roof at the old generation plant. Johnson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Hansel, Johnson, Courtnage, Chapman, Rowcliffe. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council reviewed the request for proposal advertisement for the demolition of the house at 211 West Spring Street. Hansel moved to approve the request for proposal advertisement, with a structure removal deadline of May 31st, 2020 and a work completion deadline of June 30th, 2020. Rowcliffe seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Johnson, Courtnage, Chapman, Rowcliffe, Hansel. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Oswailer reported to Council the feedback from City Attorney Pat Dillon regarding the delinquent utility accounts and options for the city. One suggestion is to adopt a rental inspection program similar to Oelwein. Annual rental property inspections are done and buildings must be up to code in order to be rented. Further, Dillon is researching the possibility of conveying electric charges to a landlord should their tenant leave the city with an unpaid utility balance. Council would like Oswailer to research further and present information to Council at an upcoming meeting.

Council reviewed the Strawberry Point Source Water Protection Plan (Phase 2) and Resolution 20-03 adopting the plan. The plan has been a project for several months with the assistance of the Iowa DNR. After brief discussion, Johnson moved to approve Resolution 20-03, a resolution adopting the

Strawberry Point Source Water Protection Plan (Phase 2). Hansel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Courtnage, Chapman, Rowcliffe, Hansel, Johnson. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council reviewed the Emergency Response Plan for the City of Strawberry Point Public Drinking Water System. This plan was produced somewhat in conjunction with the Source Water Protection Plan. Osweiler and Sauerbry found this critical to have a plan in place and documented for emergency response purposes. Hansel moved to approve the Emergency Response Plan for the City of Strawberry Point Public Drinking Water System. Chapman seconded the motion. Ayes: Chapman, Rowcliffe, Hansel, Johnson, Courtnage. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Osweiler gave a summary of a conference call which took place on Tuesday afternoon between cities and Governor Kim Reynolds and her team for addressing the COVID-19 pandemic. Council affirmed the decision to keep City Hall, the Civic Center and library board's decision to keep the Library closed to the public. Council will address at each Council meeting (at minimum) to ensure Federal and State recommendations are being adhered to. At this time, City Hall will remain open for business that can be conducted via phone or online. Business that must be conducted in person will be handled on a case by case basis, if absolutely necessary. Council encouraged Osweiler to pass along information to Council and citizens as it becomes available.

Mayor Evans made a proclamation declaring April 2020 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

OTHER BUSINESS

With no further business, Rowcliffe moved to adjourn at 7:14 PM. Hansel seconded the motion. Motion passes.

Alison Osweiler, City Administrator

Hannah Evans, Mayor