

Strawberry Point City Council  
Regular Meeting May 1, 2019

The Strawberry Point City Council met for a regular meeting on Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. inside the Council Chambers of City Hall. Mayor Bente presided and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members answering roll call were Rowcliffe, Chapman, Johnson, Hansel, Evans (via telephone).

Oswailer stated the Council needed to amend the agenda to include a motion to set a public hearing for a budget amendment for the current fiscal year. Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Hansel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Rowcliffe, Chapman, Johnson, Evans, Hansel. Nays: None. Motion passes.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Minutes from April 17, 2019

Liquor License Renewal – OT’s Sports Bar (Dram Shop)

Liquor License Approval – Strawberry Point Chamber of Commerce (Dram Shop)

Claims

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Council reviewed the contract proposed by Comelec Internet. Comelec Internet is offering \$200/month tower rent paid to the City. After some discussion Johnson moved to approve the contract terms set forth with \$200/month tower rent payable to the City of Strawberry Point. Chapman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Rowcliffe, Chapman, Johnson, Evans, Hansel. Nays: None. Motion passes.

**INFORMATION**

Council had no questions regarding the Strawberry Point Library Board Minutes from March 19<sup>th</sup> or the Strawberry Point Park & Recreation Board Minutes from March 25<sup>th</sup>.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Council reviewed the request for a City donation for a benefit item for the Brenda Landis Benefit to take place on May 11<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 – 8:00 PM at the United Methodist Church. After some discussion, no motion was made. Council encouraged all citizens to attend and donate for the benefit.

Hansel moved to approve the request from Brush Creek Canyon Cruisers for street closure from the Four Corners – E. Mission St. through Mechanic Street, during Strawberry Days from 9:00 AM through 1:30 PM. Johnson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Rowcliffe, Chapman, Johnson, Evans, Hansel. Nays: None. Motion passes. Hansel requested the City staff mail out letters to inform residents and businesses whom may be affected in the area.

A proposal from Swales Construction was reviewed to repair the sidewalk on the North side of the pool bathhouse. The area was disturbed for repairs to an old meter pit and some issues were discovered at that time. Rowcliffe moved to approve the proposal from Swales Construction for \$2900.00. Hansel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Rowcliffe, Chapman, Johnson, Evans, Hansel. Nays: None.

Evans moved to approve the request from the Strawberry Point Tree Board to apply for the Power of Trees grant. Hansel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Rowcliffe, Chapman, Johnson, Evans, Hansel. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Hansel moved to approve additional pool employees for the 2019 season. Johnson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Rowcliffe, Chapman, Johnson, Evans, Hansel. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council reviewed the letter provided from Fehr-Graham recommending acceptance of WWTP Disinfection & Ammonia Removal Project, as the project is now complete. Rowcliffe moved to accept the recommendation regarding the WWTP Disinfection & Ammonia Removal Project. Chapman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Rowcliffe, Chapman, Johnson, Evans, Hansel. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council discussed the idea of having an after-hours/weekend phone for the City for emergencies related to utilities. After some discussion, the topic was tabled and will be discussed at a future meeting.

Council reviewed the request from the Strawberry Point Park & Recreation Board to pay for an area of concrete at the location of the new splash pool. The area was originally intended to be greenspace, however, that would pose many problems for maintenance. Rowcliffe moved to approve the City paying for the concrete in an amount not to exceed \$3500.00. Evans seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Rowcliffe, Chapman, Johnson, Evans, Hansel. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Rowcliffe moved to approve Resolution 19-10 – A resolution finally approving and confirming plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost for the new fire station. Hansel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Rowcliffe, Chapman, Johnson, Hansel. Nays: Evans. Motion passes.

Mayor Bente stated the need to enter a public hearing for the purpose of discussion regarding the new fire station. Rowcliffe moved to enter a public hearing. Hansel seconded the motion. Strawberry Point resident Darren West raised questions and commented on the project. After much discussion, Mayor Bente closed the public hearing at 7:05 PM.

Josh Demmer of Demmer Architecture presented the results of the bid opening which took place at City Hall on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at 2:00 PM. Brenton Building Base Bid: \$784,000.00, Matt Construction Base Bid: \$949,700.00, Todd Hackett Construction Base Bid: \$975,000.00, Larson Construction Base Bid: \$960,000.00 and Loecke Building Service Base Bid: \$837,000.00.

After lengthy discussion, Rowcliffe moved to approve Resolution 19-13 – A resolution awarding contract for the new fire station project to Benton Building in the amount of \$784,000.00 rejecting all bid alternates. Hansel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Rowcliffe, Chapman, Johnson, Hansel. Nays: Evans. Motion passes. Osweiler will work with the bonding attorney to draft the resolution for Council to vote on at the May 15<sup>th</sup> meeting, with loan total to read “up to \$750,000.00”.

Evans moved to approve Resolution 19-14 – A resolution setting a public hearing on May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM for the vacation and disposition of city property. Rowcliffe seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Rowcliffe, Chapman, Johnson, Evans, Hansel. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Mayor Bente read an Arbor Day Proclamation for 2019.

Hansel moved to set a public hearing for FY 2018-2019 Budget Amendment – to take place on May 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM. Johnson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Rowcliffe, Chapman, Johnson, Evans, Hansel. Nays: None. Motion passes.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Rowcliffe inquired about municipal water and Campbell Drive, which had already been addressed by City staff.

With no further business, Hansel moved to adjourn at 8:00 PM Chapman seconded the motion. Motion passes.

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Alison Osweiler, City Clerk/Administrator

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Jeff Bente, Mayor