

CITY OF BRODHEAD COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday

November 9, 2015

7:00 PM

Present: Mayor Pinnow, Alderman Nyman, Hale, Anderson, Fox, Bernstein and Rosheisen. City Clerk Withee and Attorney Schroeder.

Mayor Pinnow called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Roll call vote shows all Aldermen present.

Previous minutes: Motion by Bernstein to table the approval of minutes from October 20, 2015 and November 3, 2015. Second by Rosheisen. Six ayes. Motion carried.

Audit/Finance Committee: Rosheisen updated the City Council regarding the City acting as fiscal agent for Better Brodhead she stated that Audit/Finance Committee does not recommend that the City be fiscal agent. She stated that the lack of staff available does not make this a feasible option. Mayor Pinnow stated that we are very sorry that we can't get this to work for them. Fox stated that she spoke with several city employees to see if they could take it on and no one felt they could. Kathy said that they understand and they have other options.

Park Board: Director Boegli stated that they are finishing leaf removal and he completed the Certified Pool Operator Course last week.

Public Works: Director Vogel stated he has approval from the Public Works Committee to purchase a John Deere zero turn mower and payment will come out of the equipment replacement fund. He stated he can save money by getting a 2015 at this time of year rather than waiting until spring. Motion by Bernstein to purchase at Sloan Implement for \$8,400. Second by Fox. Student advisory vote two ayes. Council vote six ayes. Motion carried.

Director Vogel presented bids for the repair of the Decatur Lake Dam. MSA recommends NuGen Johnson, second option would work to fix the problem but at this time they do not have approval from the DNR to go with Alternate A. If no approval from DNR they will need to go with the bid for \$41,785. Vogel stated that it must be done by December 2016. Schroeder asked if this was put out for bids for both options. Vogel stated that it had. Rosheisen asked how the Dam affects the Pearl Island project and what would happen if we don't fix the dam. Vogel stated that the DNR could possibly fine us or could give us a grant to remove the dam. Fox asked what would happen if the dam was removed. Vogel stated there would be many people that would be unhappy if the dam was removed. Rosheisen asked if the dam is a huge expense for the city. Vogel stated that we will continue to have expenses with the repair/update of the dam. Rosheisen asked if we didn't have that dam would we have massive flooding. Vogel stated that if we were very serious about possible removal we would want to have a thorough study as to all of the ramifications. Vogel doesn't feel that the city would want to lose the race. Vogel stated this will come out of 2016 budget. Anderson asked if this was part of Vogel's 2016 budget proposal. Vogel stated that it was in the \$180,000 in the street budget and we would have to earmark this from the street budget for the dam. Motion by Fox to accept bid proposal from Johnson to proceed with alternate A if approved by DNR or to proceed with the general bid if they do not approve. Second by Rosheisen. Student advisory vote two ayes. Council vote six ayes. Motion carried.

Pearl Island Committee: Director Vogel stated new signs have been placed on Golf Course Road. They are working on one for Park Road and a few other areas around Pearl Island. Bids are currently being accepted for the Covered Bridge walkway.

Library Board: Director Busch presented the October numbers. 4,192 Visits, 5,515 Items out. 20 new library cards issued. 189 items added. Public use of library rooms; VFW Room-9, Small Study Room-38, Program Room-6, History Rm-4, in addition to library specific programs. The visit from Linda Godfrey went over very well. Friends of the Library book sale runs from November 12-14 with \$5 for a bag of books. The next Movie Night is scheduled for November 14th at 6pm and will feature "Inside Out".

Public Safety: Police Chief Hughes presented a Temporary Class B for the Chamber of Commerce for their Fire & Ice Festival on December 4th. They would like to provide hard cider. Motion by Fox to approve the Class B temporary permit. Second by Anderson. Student advisory vote two ayes. Council vote six ayes. Motion carried.

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Police Chief Hughes presented a Special Event Permit for Fire & Ice, this includes the parade on 1st Center Avenue. Motion by Fox. Second by Anderson. Student advisory vote two ayes. Council vote six ayes. Motion carried.

Police Chief Hughes presented four operator licenses for approval, Dallas Tourdot, Teri Deremo, Olivia Spellman and Nicole Guptil-Bisbee. Motion by Bernstein to approve the operator licenses as presented. Second by Rosheisen. Student advisory vote two ayes. Council vote six ayes. Motion carried.

Personnel Committee: Bernstein reported that there is no need for closed session at this time and the Personnel Committee meeting will be held tomorrow night.

Mayor Report: Future Agendas, next budget meeting is Thursday, November 12th at 5pm.

Council works on 2016 budget: Council reviewed all information presented. No action taken.

Motion to adjourn by Anderson. Second by Fox. Student advisory vote two ayes. Council vote six ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Douglas A. Pinnow, Mayor Approved this 17th day of November 2015.

Teresa Withee, City Clerk