

Minutes 06.1.2020

The White City Council held a special meeting on Monday, June 1, 2020 at 7:00 pm at the McKnight Community Center. Mayor Thorstenson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Roll Call was taken, council members present were Cutler, Wilts, Kelm, and Hopfinger. Also present were Scott Gladis, Scott Mohror (Banner), Nick Gillen (Banner), Dennis Rebelein (Banner), Julie Westberg, Kelli Westberg, Arlene Madsen, Jennifer Olson, Tori Berndt, Kale Skogen, Tracy Greene, Cheri Selleck, Tammy Byers, Susan Holeda (Brkgs Dance Club), Kathi Loban (Brkgs Dance Club), Charlotte Mickelson, Dan DeYoung, and Keith Hall. All motions were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

Mayor Thorstenson introduced Keith Hall as the interim finance officer. He is helping until a replacement is hired. Motion to approve meeting minutes from May 4 by Hopfinger, second Wilts, motion to approve May 11 minutes by Kelm, second Hopfinger, motion to approve meeting minutes from May 14 by Kelm, second by Wilts. All unanimously approved.

Approval of bills was presented by Hall. Sales Tax Revenue info is incorrect currently, motion by Wilts to approve bills with that balance removed, second by Kelm.

Second reading of the Dog Ordinance verbiage change. City ordinance regarding Dog Complaints 5.0203 will be revised and updated to include the following verbiage: **5.0203 Responsibility of Owner to Place Animal for Observation.** *When any person owning or harboring a dog, cat or other animal, has been notified that said animal has bitten or attacked any person, cat or other animal, the owner shall within twenty-four (24) hours place the animal under the care and observation of a law enforcement officer or licensed veterinarian for a period not less than ten (10) days. The animal owner is liable.* Motion by Hopfinger, seconded by Kelm.

Banner presented drafts for the water maintenance project and sewer project. Recommended a flow meter for the ponds and 2-3 phases for the project. Once plans are approved by council, final reports and costs will be presented. Goal is to have ready by Oct. 1 to request funding and grants, with applications submitted January 1. Project would possibly begin in 2022.

Pioneer Days presented their list of needs and plans for the weekend of July 16-19th, 2020. Theme is "Flannel Up & Lumberjack On". Permission was asked if the road could be painted like last year, permits for beer Friday – Sunday, 5 portapotties, closing Main Street from Stinger Speedway to Hwy 30 Auto on and Saturday night and adding School street on Saturday, closure of Railroad Ave, 4th Street and 5th Street on Sunday for derby, more trash cans, \$1000 from the city for the event, and info to be on website and digital sign. Motion made by Wilts, seconded by Kelm to approve all, however paint for the street needs to be washable and not put on Hooker Avenue.

Council was presented with two more building permits – Kale Skogen and Michael Podhradsky. Motion by Hopfinger, second by Wilts to approve Skogen permit. Podhradsky permit was denied by the mayor after review city ordinances and a letter sent.

Wilts requested to discuss the office findings and reported many old items that were unused or no longer needed, several documents are missing, which could lead to fines. Would like to have a due date list created so it's more organized. Mayor is seeking council persons in Ward 1 and 3 to fill currently vacant council positions, but has had some interest. Persons have wished to remain anonymous.

Motion by Kelm, seconded by Cutler to approve emergency pay at the rate of temp employees for council and Mayor for helping in the office. Mayor mentioned her check will be going to pay for Welcome to White signage. No current correspondence was presented. Interim Finance Officer Hall had no report to present . Motion by Wilts, seconded by Hopfinger to proceed with utility shutoffs beginning June. Motion by Wilts, second by Kelm to move into executive session at 9:11 pm. Council came out of executive session at 9:53 pm. Motion by Kelm, seconded by Cutler to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted:

Aspen Thorstenson, Mayor

Deb Hopfinger, Council Person Ward 3