

City of Wakefield
Council Meeting February 3, 2020– 7:00 p.m.

After testing the sirens President of Council Brandy Riggs called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence. Present were Betsy Liebau, Chris Yenni, Randy Garcia. Mayor Dumler arrived at 7:35pm.

Consent Agenda

*Approval of minutes- Randy motioned to approve minutes, Betsy 2nd, motion carried.

*Approval of payments for unpaid expenses- Betsy inquired about Verizon bill, clerk explained overage charges due to Superintendent having trouble getting service and having to use it as a hot spot. Council discussed looking into other avenues to keep overage down. Clerk to contact Twin Valley and Verizon. Brandy appreciates employees' efforts in utilizing Mason Oil. Randy motioned to approve unpaid expenses, Chris Yenni 2nd, motion carried

*Approval of Agenda- David would like Community Center added to New Business. Brandy would like Fire Department added to Organizational Reports; City Advertising, Follow-up on Rocks in City, and City Web Page added to New Business; Betsy requests Executive Session to discuss non-elected personnel matters. Randy motioned to approve agenda with additions to Organizational Reports, New Business and Executive Session, David 2nd, motion carried.

Public Comments

Jayden Striggow- asked Council if city can help fix Wayne's World. Brandy addressed that Wayne's World is in Clay County Park, and because of the current state of the park and FEMA being involved we do not know the timeline. Brandy to get info and let him know.

AnnMarie- Site Council discussed at their meeting promoting the school- last year city did advertising during PCS season, inquired if we plan to do again. There is an Advertising Class that Holly Fowler teaches, wondered if that class could be involved in the process. Brandy responded that Advertising is in the budget and council will discuss getting school advertising class involved.

Organizational Reports

*Fire Department- Kyle Murphy shared that the repeater is not working correctly. Pages on 400 MH are not working correctly. Radio is 12 years old; Duplexer is 8 years old. FD is unable to hear the duplexer. This affects tornado siren. Brad Homman came out today- \$825 to repair as is \$2,425 for new (would include today's eval). Randy motioned to approve purchase of new repeater, Betsy 2nd, motion carried.

*Pride- Scholarships

-next Meeting Feb 8. Commodities- Feb. 15

-Business Yard of the Month- Betsy motioned winner Sew Cozy, Yenni 2nd, motion carried

*WRA-Basketball- Started Jan. 25- extending until Feb. 29.

-Spring Soccer- sign ups to begin soon

-Community Bicycle Ride- February

- Children's Play-WRA Sponsored for the end of July
- Apparel shop- TW Sportswear- is open for 2 weeks at a time.
- Stay Strong/Stay Healthy- Designed for 60+ adults; 8 weeks.
- Next meeting Feb. 17 6pm

Old Business

*Library Update- Mayor Dumler and Brian were not present to update. Clerk shared work to begin Wednesday.

New Business

*Streets/Signs- SC Sealing came to update current plan, presented 3 options- AB3 (examples in LaCrosse & Leon), answer questions from Council. Council will contact them when they're ready to move forward.

*Rock Quarry Update- Jan. 23 the city had a motion for summary that Judge Bosch granted in our favor. The trial that was scheduled for March is off. If it is appealed and city wins then it's over. If they appeal and win then it would be remanded back to the trial court from the court of appeals and we would have a trial. That would mean we would bring Atoka back for Phase III.

*Summer Program- Mayor Dumler shared that the church is not an option this year. Brandy motioned to advertise for Harvesters Program with a salary not to exceed what was spent last year on Summer Program, Randy 2nd, motion carried.

*Christmas Decorations/Light Poles- Brandy motioned to purchase 11 snowflakes for \$5,107.42 (same as ones purchased in past), Randy 2nd, motion carried. Yenni motioned to purchase 14' for \$4,380 from Holiday Designs, Brandy 2nd, motion carried.

*Pool Manager- Brandy motioned to advertise for hiring certified manager with salary between \$5,000-6,500, Betsy 2nd.

*ScenicView Contract- Betsy motioned to accept contract for \$1,845, Brandy 2nd, motion carried.

*Community Center-David inquired if council has given thought to a city Community Center. The City is running out of buildings to hold things. Brandy would like FHRC to get involved as there may be good grant opportunities. Clerk shared that she sent FHRC information to see about qualifying for a Brownstone Program. Council discussed other building options, grants. Topic to be discussed further at future workshops and during budget time.

*City Web Page- updates needed; need to get with school on status of them working with city.

*City Advertising- Brandy would like to see if we can get quotes for better advertising on I-70.

*Follow-up on Rocks entering town- Brandy asked if J-Can has come to pick up check for council approved concrete work. Brandy to get with Jeff on Saturday at Pride meeting on status.

Employee Reports

*City Clerk- Betsy motioned to approve Julie attend \$325 Spring Conference March 11-13 plus mileage reimbursement, Brandy 2nd, motion carried

*Superintendent- Brian was not in attendance. Brandy asked what plan was for burn site. Mayor asked if council had any questions, they would like him to address with Brian to let him know. No comments.

*Police- Brandy inquired about VIN Inspections, letting county know so they can send people that inquire with them down to us. CORE Training obtained from class he attended- information will be added to Emergency Training Plan.

EMS Training- Who would council like to send? Brandy is opposed to sending Police or any other city employees. Council agreed.

Executive Session to discuss non-elected personnel matters

Betsy motioned to enter executive session to discuss non-elected personnel matters for 15 minutes, 2nd, motion carried. Mayor Dumler brought the meeting back to order at 10pm. Brandy motioned to re-enter executive session to discuss non-elected personnel matters for 10 minutes. Mayor Dumler brought the meeting back to order at 10:10pm. Betsy motioned to re-enter executive session to discuss non-elected personnel matters for 5 minutes, Brandy 2nd, motion carried. Mayor Dumler brought the meeting back to order at 10:15pm.

Adjournment

Randy motioned to adjourn, David 2nd, motion carried.

City Clerk