

EASTON CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

August 11th, 2021

The regular meeting of the City of Easton was called to order by Mayor Bryant Stiernagle August 11th, 2021 at 6:00 PM in the Easton Community Room.

In attendance: Mayor Stiernagle, Council members Jon Rath, Tony Stevermer & Jenny Stiernagle. Rose Doyle, clerk, Jeff Amy, Ryan Sonnek, Brian Sonnek and Bernie Schultz.

Motion by Jon Rath second by Jenny Stiernagle to accept minutes of July 15th 2021 meeting . Motion carried.

Motion by Jenny Stiernagle second by Tony Stevermer to accept financials. Motion carried.

Police: No report

Fire: Brian Sonnek presented a bill in the amount of \$406.98 which was the amount he had to pay for a hearing aid lost at a fire call. The bill was submitted to LMCIT insurance, however the policy holds a \$500.00 deductible. Motion by Jenny Stiernagle second by Jon Rath to pay Sonnek for the hearing aid. Motion carried. Fire chief Ryan Sonnek disputed the claim made by LuAnn Schrader regarding a request for a controlled burn which the fire department did not respond to. He stated he never did talk to Luann but did correspond with Bil Schrader. Chief felt they were unfairly treated regarding the issue. Department received another grant for around \$21,000.00. Was a discussion for temp water hookup at the fire station during road construction. Chief felt they did need the temporary hookup to be done.

Bernie Schultz was addressed at this time regarding him trimming hedges and trees in the alleys and streets for snow removal purposes. Also addressed at this time was the counter at the park shelter being too high.

Motion by Jenny Stiernagle second by Jon Rath to have Bernie do the trimming and also repair at the shelter. Motion carried.

Public Works: Water agreement with Wells Public Utilites is almost ready and WPU did approve the agreement so as soon as Easton council approves the agreement it will be put in place. Jon & Bryant do have a copy of the agreement. Was an issue of water leaking at the water plant and it has been fixed. Travis Winter gave a report on the construction project and all is going well. Linder St. and 4th St patching will be completed next week. Linder St was to be a 10ft paved road however, council felt the entire width of the street should have a hard surface. That portion will be a city portion and the cost is around \$25,000. A motion was made by Jon Rath second by Jenny Stiernagle to go ahead with the total paving of Linder St. 3rd St may have the same issue but it will be addressed as the project progresses to that St. Temp water will be installed to the fire station. Also, having an inside filling hookup was discussed and can be done in the fire station. Street signs will all be replaced when project is completed. Construction of Cedar St to 4th St. will begin within the next few days. When that portion is completed Cedar from 4th St to 7th St will get done. Sidewalk area in front of The Look was discussed. Travis indicated he will talk to Leshaine Sonnek regarding the installation of a cement ramp as the walk needs to remain because of drainage issues. 4th St RR crossing is very bad and RR and CFS has been contacted but neither of them feel the side track is their property. Will pursue the issue. Motion by Jon Rath second by Jenny Stiernagle to approve payment of \$600,832.34 the 4th payment of the construction project. Motion carried.

Streets & Buildings: No report

Tri City: Ron Hartman is retiring from Tri City Sewer Board. Darin Magnuson has accepted an appointment on the board and a couple of others have expressed interest in joining the board.

Park & Rec: No report

Old Business: Waiting on response regarding asbestos removal on 20 Cedar St.

New Business: Motion by Jon Rath second by Tony Stevermer to approve building permit for Patty Ballou's utility shed. Motion carried. Sign for postal vehicle parking tabled for future meeting.

With no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Next regular meeting scheduled for Wednesday September 8th, 2021 at 6:00PM.

Mayor

City Clerk