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Regular Meeting
February 12, 2025

Mayor Anna Gindlesberger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Council members present; Todd Callahan, Rayce Stiles, Randy John, Rick Rutledge, and Mayor Anna Gindlesberger. Also present was City Maintenance, Robert Novotny III, and City Clerk, Dusti Dyke.

Said Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda –Rayce made a motion to accept the agenda with the following additions; camp host spot, and executive session regarding water situations. Rick 2nd. Todd made a motion to accept the agenda with the additions, Randy 2nd. Motion carried.

Minutes – Rick made and Todd 2nd motion to accept minutes from regular and special meetings in January 2025. Motion passed.

Bills –Todd made and Rick 2nd motion to approve bills. Motion passed.

Public Comments

Guests-

Sandra Barker - Sandra came to submit her application as well as give her ideas for the lake. She has spoken to some volunteers, as well as material donations. Some ideas/materials include fire pits, stones, t-shirts, slabs for generators, gazebo, and getting the younger generations more involved. The special meeting to decide on camp host will be February 24, 2025 at 5pm.

New Business:

Dogs – There was a dog situation originating at 422 West Wilson Street. Said dogs violated City Code and were picked up by the Animal Control Officer. Three dogs were removed from the residence and surrendered to Parsons Pet Hospital. The cost of all three dogs will be charged back to the owners, a motion made by Todd. Rick 2nd, motion carried.

School Rates - During the software switch and manual information input, it was determined that there were no sewer charges on the school's buildings in town. Rick made a motion to charge the school for sewer costs. Todd 2nd, motion carried.

Dump Station– Holly from Midwest Engineering gave paperwork to Anna for the outlines and blueprints of the dump station. Copies were made of the contract, for each council member to review. Topic will be tabled to the next special meeting on February 24, 2025 at 5pm.

KRWA Conference 2025 - March 25 and 26, 2025 there are two different sessions Robert and Dusti would like to attend for classes. Todd made a motion for them to attend the training conference, Rick 2nd. Motion carried.

Executive Session- Rayce made a motion to go into executive session at 7:15 for 10 minutes in Robert's office with all of the council and Mayor Anna to discuss water situations. Todd 2nd, motion passed. Anna called the meeting back to order at 7:25. Rick made a motion for all vacant properties meters to be locked. If any water has been used, water to be billed. If the bill is not paid, theft of service charges will be processed. Rayce 2nd, motion carried.

Camping Spot - After general discussion of what is needed, Todd made a motion to have Robert and Ivan prepare the camp host spot. Rick 2nd. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Updates:

Building Repairs - Getting bids to replace windows in City Hall. Dusti will ask Ivan about looking at the duct work.

LED Lighting - Robert and Ivan have completed the majority of light installations. There are about 20 - 30 left to be installed, and all are outdoor lights and arena. Robert has priced a boomlift and telehandler. Neither will work until the weather clears up for the ground to dry. Table to March for discussion.

Community Building - Darren and his dad have put a bid together for a ramp extension, not including a new door. He will bring it to the March council meeting. Dusti to get a bid for a single handicap door potentially for where the window is on the North side of the building, and a concrete pad. Also get a bid for a 2 door handicap door left handed.

Yellow Truck - The purchaser has finally picked up the yellow truck. It is officially gone. Darren gave an update from the ISO tests. These rates are very important. There are a lot of different rules, regulations, and testing to determine the ISO rating for the Fire Department. There is a grace period for twelve months to try and improve back to our original score in 2015.

Final Thoughts-

The generator at the Fire Department does not work properly. Due to such cold temperatures and needing a warming center in case of an emergency, Dusti will call KK Electric about having a generator put in for the Community Building. The Community Building is the biggest space to hold people in case of emergency. Todd made a motion and Rayce 2nd the motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.