

CITY OF SKYLINE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

December 12, 2016

Present: Mayor Travis Javens; Treasurer Lon Whitehead; Clerk Cathy Dahl; Council Members, Wayne Bishop, Dean Rengstorf, Samantha Erickson, Hans Schwanke; Resident, Chris Heimer

Meeting called to order at 6:45 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of minutes and agenda. Motion to approve, Samantha Erickson, Wayne Bishop, 2nd. Passed unanimously.

15-Minute Public Open Forum – Resident Chris Heimer asked if tile line clean out was finished by Jetter. Samantha Erickson said they were done on 27 and 8 home lines. Dean Rengstorf wondered if Jetter should be scheduled for regular clean out. A permanent solution must be found since this is not under city jurisdiction. Mayor Javens will consult Mankato about how they handle it. Perhaps city schedules clean-outs and homeowners would pay bill with their utilities. Brian Powers is getting a quote on videotaping lines to find problems. Meetings will have to be held after first of the year with homeowners on the tile lines. Samantha pointed out that water problems affect everyone in the city because of property values.

Chris asked if snow removal contractors always do sand instead of salt – It is usually sand but sometimes a little salt if temps are very low.

Cooperative meeting is tomorrow night. 7-8 PM. Residents are encouraged to attend. Coops have more authority than City for things like yard clean ups.

City Clerk's Report – Cathy Dahl reported that 9 letters were sent to residents who are delinquent on their water/utility payments – 134 S. Skyline, 57 Skyline Drive, 235 w. Skyline, 136 S. Skyline Drive, 124 S. Skyline, 1716 Woodland, 56 Skyline, 63 Skyline, 101 S. Skyline.

Center Point has asked to raise rates with MN Public Utilities Commission.

Southern MN Initiative Foundation sent information on what they do. Dean Rengstorf will look into possible grant money for rocks in cul-de-sac areas.

The City received Noxious Weed report to be filled out. Date is changing for filling this out. Wayne Bishop took care of this.

Clerk asked about getting Carbonite for computer back up. Council suggested two extra thumb drives.

Lon Whitehead is aware of new owners at 158 S. Skyline for billing, etc.

Matt Hood said he has plumbing compliance but no form to send in. Hans Schwanke will go over and check on this.

DNR representative called – no flooding disaster assistance is needed for Skyline.

Samantha Erickson took care of water line questions.

City Treasurer's Report – Lon Whitehead reported for November. Late water and utility payments will be looked at again next month. One home prepaid their assessment.

Approval of city clerk's report and treasurer's report and to pay bills, motion, Dean Rengstorf, Wayne Bishop, 2nd. Passed unanimously.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Water Department – Samantha Erickson reported she got a phone call about water lines. One new house had a bad reading; will be checked in January. 156 S. Skyline reading had transposed numbers and were overcharged; that will be fixed.

Street Department - Dean Rengstorf reported sump pump water being drained onto street and he talked to one resident who fixed it, he moved the other line himself. Snow plow wasn't being plowed close enough to a drive on W. Skyline Ct. – Dean told AmLawn about it.

Parks & Playgrounds Department - Wayne Bishop reported Porta Potty gone. AmLawn was asked to plow snow into park instead of drives but didn't. They also buried one of our fire hydrants. Dean Rengstorf is sending them a text message about it.

Public Safety Department – Hans Schwanke reported he will check with Matt Hood. He checked with 118 S. Skyline Drive and 140 S. Skyline Drive and they are compliant with plumbing ordinance. Mayor Javens will check on number of calls getting to Mankato Police dispatch instead of county sheriff. Mayor has seen regular police patrols from city of Mankato.

Motion to approve departmental reports, Samantha Erickson, Hans Schwanke, 2nd. Passed unanimously.

New Business

Contract with City of Mankato for Public Safety (fire and police) - \$28,121.40 for 2017
Motion to approve contract for fire and police service with City of Mankato, Wayne Bishop, Samantha Erickson, 2nd. Passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Storm outlet between 134 and 136 S. Skyline Drive – nothing new.

Final 2017 City of Skyline Budget & Final 2017 tax levy – motion to approve final budget (attached) with 0% tax levy increase for 2017, Samantha Erickson, Dean Rengstorf, 2nd. Passed unanimously.

Motion to accept resolution 2016-6 City of Skyline Resolution for Final Property Tax Levy for 2017 with 0% increase, Dean Rengstorf, Wayne Bishop, 2nd. Passed unanimously.

Mayor Javens will be out of town for 2 weeks; Samantha Erickson will take over if needed.

Motion to adjourn, Wayne Bishop, Samantha Erickson, 2nd. Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Cathy Dahl
Skyline City Clerk

Mayor

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