

Finlayson City Council
Regular Meeting
July 11, 2016

The regular city council meeting was called to order Monday, July 11, 2016, by Xavier Villarreal, Mayor at 6:30 PM.

Council Members present: Jeremy Byers, Ed Cowart and Tom Price with Joe Luedtke absent.

Others present: John Mikrot, Bill Morgan, Wyatt Lucht and Mark Hansen.

Additions or Corrections:

Petitions or complaints by Residents:

Approval of Minutes:

A motion by Price to approve minutes as from June 2, 2016, regular council meeting and June 22, 2016 township fire meeting seconded by Byers with all in favor and carried.

Reports:

Mark Hansen, Zoning and Planning: Hansen reported on blight issue progress on Anthony home after some discussion it was decided to table until further information has been received from the attorney.

John Mikrot, Water/Sewer Operator: John reported it has been very quiet jetting has been completed.

Fire Department: Chief Lucht report last month the Fire and Rescue had 13 calls 2 mutual aid fires 8 medical with a total of 90.5 man hours. Lucht also reported township fire meeting went very well, stating the townships would like to continue to meet once annually and receive a new copy of the fire contracts annually with the billing.

Chief Lucht also reported the grass rig that was purchased through DNR fire program is here and we have an appointment with FCI to go over mechanically before returning the other grass rig to DNR.

Cowart reminded council that management at East Central Electric had informed him that 2016 would be the last year that the Fire Department would be allowed to use the ECE facilities to park emergency vehicles during the 4th of July Celebration.

Al Brigan City Administrator: Brigan gave overview of last month liquor store operation. Brigan also stated BNG repaired some clinches prior the 4th of July holiday. Al also reported Class V gravel has been spread on Dixon Line, Sherman Road and Pine lake Road with only one complaint, which was the unauthorized covering of chlorinated road area.

Brigan Also received a complaint on Mac Authur from resident stating road is to narrow, has to low of overhanging branches and no dead end sign. The resident had been told that the road is normal width, the branches are not hindering traffic as me and maintenance had taken a look and also the fire truck had made 2 trips without any problems. After some discussion the council recommended the dead end sign be replaced.

Brigan reported he and Linda Phillips attended head Judge and Clerk election training June 22, 2016 with regular Judge training coming up in August, just prior to primary election.

Al reported on option the Council can change is raise the filing fee from \$2.00 to a maximum of \$15.00 for 4th class cities.

Al reported the city need review minimum wage which will be \$9.50 / hour for business with revenue over \$500,000.00 after some discussion the council asked for a report of the average increase per employee.

Financial Reports:

A motion by Cowart to accept the financials and pay bills seconded by Byers with all in favor and carried.

Old Business:

A. Fire Hall Building:

Brigan reported Architect has completed plans and the state has stamped plumbing and structural portions. Hard blueprints and material list may be ready as early as next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Employee Incentive Bonus: A motion by Cowart to approve payment of the 2015 incentive bonus per approved formula seconded by Byers with all in favor and carried.

B. Monies Transfer: A motion by Villarreal to transfer \$50,000.00 from the Liquor store checking account to Liquor store Savings account seconded by price with all in favor and carried. With some discussion as to in the future the budget committee should make a recommendation to Council as to how savings account comes into play in the building process.

A motion by Cowart to adjourn seconded by Byers with all in favor and carried.

Allan Brigan
City Clerk/ Administrator