

Finlayson City Council  
Regular Meeting  
March 13, 2017

The regular city council meeting was called to order Monday March 13, 2017, by Xavier Villarreal, Mayor at 6:30 PM.

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

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

Additions or Corrections:

Correspondence

E. Hinckley Finlayson School

F. MPCA

G. Pine County Administrator

H. Mn Department of Health

Petitions or complaints by Residents:

None

Approval of Minutes:

A motion by Price to approve minutes as from February 13, 2017 regular council seconded by Byers with all in favor and carried.

Reports:

John Mikrot, Water/Sewer Operator: Reported everything is working fine.

Mark Hansen, Zoning and Planning:

Hansen has spoke Attorney concerning ongoing blight on school street. Hansen also has contacted Freil on Hwy 18 concerning blight.

Henkel property is in probate being handled by Ledin , Hofstad office.

Anthony Blight is in Paper and in process to accept bids April meeting.

Hansen reported issueing a building permit for East Central Electric.

Fire Department: Chief Lucht report last month there was 5 calls 4 medical 1 Fire.

Lucht Reported on Sunday March 5, 2017, the fire department moved into new fire hall, with fire firefighter and families helping and having a pot luck dinner at the conclusion.

Lucht reported deep Rock is painting the sign for the front of the fire hall and I hoping it will be ready before Urhos' celebration.

Wyatt asked that Brenda Price be brought on to the Fire department as Dawn Anderson is stepping down. A motion by Villarreal to accept Brenda Price onto the fire department  
Seconded by Cowart with all in favor and carried.

Wyatt also informed council starter went out on grass rig and has been replaced with new one.

Al Brigan City Administrator: Brigan gave overview of the Liquor store activities, Al informed Council the 2016 Audited was completed in February.

Brigan also congratulated the council on seeing the Liquor Store and Fire Hall project through, and also state the Finlayson community should be very proud of both facilities. Al also thanked Wyatt Lucht and Dennis Slama for putting in long hours over and beyond the call of Duty. Brigan informed the council the complete building project was completed on budget \$1,063,000.00, closing cost \$10,156.25, additions approved by council, \$23,475.00 for a total cost of \$1,096,631.25. Brigan stated most building projects as this will have a 10% overrun.

#### Financial Reports:

A motion by Cowart to accept the financials for February 2017 and pay bills seconded by Byers with all in favor and carried.

#### Old Business:

A. Fire Hall Building: Fire Hall and Liquor store is completed.

B. Blight Anthony: Brigan stated demolition add in paper, will accept bid April, meeting.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

A. Public Hearing Wellhead Protection: Villarreal opened Public hearing on the wellhead protection, Villarreal asked for comments or questions, Brigan stated well Protection area is a bit larger than the prior plan although the plan is very similar. Villarreal closed Public hearing.

B. Resolution 2017-05: A motion by Cowart to accept the donation of land designated in legal's attached valued at \$50,000.00 seconded by Byers with all in favor and carried.

C. A motion by Price to acknowledge the loan of the Phillips 66 sign owned by the Craig Skaff family, to the City of Finlayson, place on the back corner back corner of the lot seconded by Cowart with a NEW BUSINESS:  
Cowart in favor and carried.

D. Fire Depart Parking: A motion by Price to designate the area on the street as a Fire Lane, with no Parking area in front of the new fire Hall and to remove old fire lane on School street seconded by Byers with all in favor and carried.

E. Hinckley Finlayson School has informed council that the current Elementary school is in 20 year long term plan and will continue be operating.

F. Pine County Administrator correspondence: June 14, 2017, 6 PM Local Government Meeting.

G MPCA: informed City of Finlayson of removal of petroleum tank at ECE.

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

Allan Brigant City Clerk Administrator