

Finlayson City Council  
Regular Meeting  
March 7, 2016

The regular city council meeting was called to order Monday, March 7, 2016, by Xavier Villarreal, Mayor at 6:30 PM.

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

Others present: John Mikrot, Barb Morgan, Russell Lucht, Wyatt Lucht and Brent Henry.

Additions or Corrections:

C. Pine K9

Petitions or complaints by Residents:

Barb Morgan asked that cons be added to minutes

Approval of Minutes:

A motion by Luedtke to approve minutes as from February 8, 2016, regular council meeting seconded by Cowart with all in favor and carried.

Reports:

Fire Department: Chief Lucht report last month the Fire and Rescue reported to 6 calls 4 Medical 2 Fire. Transfer Pump and turnout gear has been received as ordered.

DNR Grass rigs will not be available until fall, due to speculations of grass fires dangers this upcoming spring.

Villarreal asked the Fire Department to burn ditches this spring if possible.

John Mikrot, Water/Sewer Operator: John reported everything has been quite, and he has just returned from annual conference.

Al Brigan City Administrator: Brigan gave overview of last month liquor store operation.

Al also reported MSA an engineering firm working with MPCA has been in town talking samples and has reported that they have not found anything unusual. Brigan also reported the 2015 audit has been completed by Althoff and Nordquist; Carl Nordquist will probably present the audit at the May Meeting.

Mark Hansen, Zoning and Planning: absent

Financial Reports:

A motion 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 the relevant facts had been sent to Kevin Hofstad, City Attorney along with the letter from the Planning and Zoning Administrator. Hofstad responded; stating relevant facts and letter from zoning Administrator look good.

Skaff has started to prepare preliminary plans.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Class 5 Gravel Bids;

Brigan suggested placing bid wanted add in the papers the end of March, with bid deadline and awarding of bids at the May council meeting.

B. Assessment agreement: A Motion by Byers to accept assessment contract with Pine County for 11.25 for the next three years seconded by Luedtke with all in favor and carried.

C. K-9 program: after some discussion A motion By Villarreal to donate \$300.00 to the Pine County Sheriff's department designated for Pine County K-9 united seconded by Luedtke with all in favor and carried.

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