

Minutes from November 8, 2021

Present: Mayor Semisch, Councilmembers Bruce Proctor, Steve Schuetz, Regina Abbott, Geri Ebersohl and Darcie Gomez. George Laidler represented Maintenance. Steve Howard was present for the Police. In the audience: Kassie Divine, Janet Woodard, Connie Shaffer, Laurie Bruce, Joel Bruce, and Douglas Wheeler.

Mayor Semisch opened the meeting at 6:30

Regina Abbott made a motion to approve the minutes from the special meeting on November 8, 2021, with the change that Steve Howard was present. Darcie Gomez 2nd. Passed 5-0. Darcie Gomez made a motion to approve the bills Bruce Proctor 2nd. Motion passed 5-0.

Old Business:

Tabled doors

Grant opportunities:

Laurie Bruce spoke about a grant opportunity for businesses in the city. The only thing they need from the city is a nominating letter saying the city supports the applicant getting the grant. The grant is a 50/50 match. She will be applying for this, and Jodie said she did notify the other businesses of this grant and sent the information to them.

PRIDE COMMITTEE:

Kassie Divine spoke about the things the Pride committee has been doing how they, along with the community and churches, will help do the angel tree this year. The community dinner will be this next weekend and the plans for the Christmas tree lighting.

Agenda:

(a) Douglas Wheeler at 101 S. West St. asked about living in his RV for a year while repairing and renovating his residence. He is to provide progress to the city clerk every 3 months, and she will notify him if the council needs him to appear before them. He is to keep his area up to code with the exception of having a construction area. Darcie made a motion to allow Douglas Wheeler to live in his RV for a year with quarterly updates and his place to maintain codes. Regina Abbott 2nd. Motion carried 5-0.

(b) H+H Collection did not appear.

The mayor moved Janet Woodard to this place. She is concerned about the letter stating dogs need to be ADA certified. She asked about what the deposit was for. She expressed concern about the condition of some things, the mayor asked her if she signed the contract. Janet felt things was in a whirlwind and then Jodie did say she did move the date of move in up so the lady that cleans was not given as much as time. She expressed concern about her washer and dryer and the city did get our appliance repair guy and he said they were in a good working condition. The city has called to have linoleum put in the bathroom, but the place is behind. The council has asked Janet to try to find the positive in the place in the next two months or maybe she should try to find another place to live. She said she will try. Council directed Jodie to start doing quarterly visits with the people at Walnut Housing to see how things are

going. The Mayor told Janet her rental agreement is a month to month and if she isn't happy in the next two months we will have to revisit.

Order of Violations:

Council gave the approval for proceeding with the demolition process of 401 N. Main St. and 319 W. South St.

PUBLIC HEARING:

none

Permit Approvals:

none

Staff Reports:

Maintenance Report:

George explained the Apprentice program offered from KRWA for Dylan to take for water and wastewater operator. Darcie Gomez made a motion to approve Dylan to take the apprentice program. Regina Abbott 2nd. Motion carried 5-0. Steve made a motion to order risers for the water valves. Darcie Gomez 2nd. Motion carried. 5-0.

Clerks Report:

Geri Ebersohl made a motion to purchase turkeys for November and Hams for December for employees and governing body. Jodie talked about the Rural water wanting the city to have a backflow preventor device on the rural water line. The Mayor decided that Steve, her and the clerk will attend the Rural water board meeting tomorrow night and find out more about it and what they want. Jodie asked about and got directive about what to have maintenance do with Walnut Housing. Mr. Lovesee has approved for the class at the school that does commercials to do a little commercial for the ribbon cutting for Bruce's Bullseye Farms when they open.

Courts Report: Court went well this month. We do have 3 trials in December and 10 trials in January.

Law Report/ Code Enforcement: Steve discussed the warrants picked up. Discussed car issues and talked about the training that was done. He talked about looking for firing gun qualifications.

Bruce Proctor made a motion to go into executive session concerning personnel for 5 minutes. Geri Ebersohl 2nd. Motion carried 5-0.

Executive session started at 8:44pm.

Executive session out at 8:49pm.

Out of session: No decisions were made.

Mayor:

Darcie Gomez made a motion to approve the transfers as listed. Regina Abbott 2nd. Motion carried 5-0.

Steve Schuetz made a motion to pass Ordinance 2021-07 changing the meeting dates of the council to the 1st Monday of the month effective for the December meeting. Darcie Gomez 2nd. Motion carried 5-0.

Council:

None

Open Forum:

No one

Steve Schuetz made a motion to adjourn. Darcie Gomez 2nd. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:04 pm.