

REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
Aplington City Council  
Aplington City Hall  
6 p.m.  
April 12, 2017

Jason Mehmen called the meeting to order. Also present were Council members Meyer, Jacobs, Tenney, Orr and Hanson.

Tony Finch, 1013 Caldwell, addressed the Council with concerns on the alley in back of his house. He asked the Council to look into re-grading alley due to drainage issues.

A motion by Meyer, seconded by Jacobs, to approve the consent agenda which consists of the agenda, minutes of the March 8 meeting, financial report ending March 2017, and a list of claims as presented, carried unanimously.

Public Works Department: Blake Hovenga reported on water gallons usage. He also asked about the clean-up weekend. Discussion was made and a motion by Tenney, seconded by Meyer, to not sponsor it this year, but to rotate this every other year, carried unanimously. Clean-up days will be on even years.

Hovenga also asked the Council for approval of a small boat to be used at the lagoon. A motion by Meyer, seconded by Jacobs, to approve a purchase of a used boat at \$400, carried unanimously.

The Waste Water treatment project will continue in the next few weeks when Mracek Electric will come and finish the electrical and controls.

A motion by Orr, seconded by Tenney, to approve building permits for Nick Davis and Cody Wiegmann, carried unanimously.

Fire Chief Scott Poppen informed the Council that Greg Nevenhoven has been elected Safety Officer and Kelly Harken is the Secretary/Treasurer for the department.

Greg Nevenhoven, LSB insurance, reviewed the City's policy and renewal for year 17-18.

The plumbing in the mechanical room at the swimming pool is currently plumbed with 2" piping. To be in compliant for the 65k gallon pool, the correct piping should be 3" and a larger pump. Trent Rozinek, from ACCO Corporation, noted it would add to the original repair quote of \$12,000. A motion by Hanson, seconded by Orr, to approve the needed update, not to exceed \$16,000, carried unanimously.

Two quotes to repair the tiles at the golf course were presented by Andrew Ascherl of the ARC board. The Council would like to have more quotes with possibly finishing the work in May. The furnace/ac unit at the ARC has been tabled.

Garbage Rates are tabled until a new contract is offered.

Jodi Birch addressed the Council with a participation agreement from GovPayNet. This is a company that processes credit and debit transactions for utility or other payments giving our residents the ability to pay by debit or credit. Service fees would be the responsibility of the card holders. A motion by Jacobs, seconded by Hanson, to approve GovPayNet participation agreement with the City, carried unanimously.

Birch also discussed raising penalty rates, posting and disconnect rates. Options will be discussed at the next regular meeting.

Telecommunications on the old water tower will stay as long as the old water tower is standing.

A motion by Meyer, seconded by Hanson, to approve a 3% increase in employee's wages, carried with a roll call vote of all ayes. Note: the library wages are set by the library board and are not considered in this increase.

Resident complaints were received and registered. Complaints included parking violations, property tidiness, and curb/sidewalk repairs by businesses.

Nuisance letters will be sent out to property owners on dilapidated buildings or garages and junk nuisances.

The quote on the furnace for the fire/ambulance station was tabled.

City Hall will be CLOSED all day on May 9 due to both the City Clerk and Utility Clerk attending a software conference.

Due to absence of the City Clerk on Wednesday, May 10, the regular City Council meeting will be postponed until Wednesday, May 17 at 6 pm.

Pool membership was discussed. A motion was made by Tenney, seconded by Jacobs, to increase the family membership to \$60. Roll call vote: Ayes- Jacobs, Tenney, and Meyer. Nays – Hanson, Orr. Motion carried.

In other business, a new door will be replaced at the east door at the Community Center at the same time the windows will be replaced in the Post Office building.

There being no further business, a motion by Meyer, seconded by Jacobs to adjourn, carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

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Deb Prier, City Clerk

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Jason Mehmen, Mayor

Revenues ending March 2017

General Fund	25006.94
<b>Road Use Tax</b>	<b>11117.35</b>
<b>Employee Benefits</b>	<b>2274.32</b>
Local Option Sales Tax	4518.97
Special Revenue	187.27
Debt Service	2582.11
Water	15157.41
Utility Deposit Fund	(150.00)
Sewer	11810.66
Electric	59357.21
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 131862.24</b>