

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
Aplington City Council
Aplington City Hall
5 p.m.
Wednesday, May 11, 2016

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

Karen Anderson Webber spoke to the Council on a disturbing issue of human trafficking which has happened in Butler County. She is promoting a program at the AP High School auditorium on June 1 at 6:30. The program will feature Mike Ferjak, the special investigator for the attorney general's office, dealing with this issue. The Aplington Mayor, Council, and Police Department are in support of this program.

A motion by Meyer, seconded by Jacobs, to approve the consent agenda, which includes the agenda, minutes of the April 13 and 29th meetings, financial report ending April 2016, and a list of claims as presented, carried unanimously.

Public Works Department: Bids were received for removing trees from park and around electric lines. A motion was made by Hanson and seconded by Meyer, to approve Tri County for a total amount of \$5000 to remove 8 trees. Upon motion a roll call vote was held: Ayes - Orr, Meyer, Jacobs, Hanson; Nays - Ubben. Motion carried.

A motion by Orr, seconded by Meyer, to approve Kent Ubben concrete to repair and replace concrete slab by shelter house in the amount of \$1250, to repair large crack by the Community Center and to repair driveway at 621 Caldwell, carried unanimously.

A motion by Jacobs, seconded by Meyer, to approve Resolution number 475-16 having a plan for systematic inspection and maintenance of the city's electrical system, carried unanimously. Resolution will be added to the maintenance plan.

Waste Water Treatment Plant Facility Project: Matt Saur, MSA, presented pay application #2 for \$256,894.72 to Blazek Corporation for approval. Upon discussion, a motion by Meyer, seconded by Jacobs, to approve the pay application to Blazek, carried unanimously. Saur also presented a change order for 7 new valves at the effluent control structure. These were not included in the original bid. However, after checking the condition of the current valves, it was deemed necessary. A motion by Orr, seconded by Hanson, to approve this change order in the amount of \$21,650, carried unanimously.

There were no building permits, ambulance or fire reports.

Don Moore, Ryken Engineering, informed the Council that Maquire Iron will continue with the water tower project right after school is out, approximately June 8. Council member Meyer questioned the amount of time the engineer spends each month on this project.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing on the Sewer Revenue Loan & Disbursement agreement. There being no questions, the hearing was closed. Council member Orr motioned to approve and Meyer seconded, Resolution No. 477-16 authorizing and approving a loan and disbursement agreement and providing the issuance and securing the payment not to exceed \$1,104,000 in Sewer Revenue Bonds, carried with a roll call vote of all ayes.

A representative from Century, asked the Council to consider waving or abating the mowing charges associated with the sale of 409 8th Street. A lien for charges was put on the taxes. The amount was disclosed to the buyer just two days prior to closing. The Council denied request.

A discussion was held on the utility rate study. The Council was concerned that more time would be spent by City employees to gather and send information for this study. Therefore, at this time, the Council will not accept the proposal for the rate of study.

The Clerk reviewed the changes in revenue and expenditures for the proposed Budget Amendment for fiscal year 2016. A motion by Orr, seconded by Jacobs, to hold a public hearing on June 8 at 6 pm for the budget amendment, carried unanimously.

In other business, Council member Meyer presented the Council with a drawing of the granite stone that will be placed by the Directory building at the Cemetery. The stone was part of a grant, in which the AMVETS purchased a black granite stone engraved with all Armed Services Insignias.

Street sweeping was discussed and another option will be presented.

The downtown planter's will be filled by volunteers and businesses.

Mehmen Excavating will work on leveling the large mounds at the brush site.

There being no further business, a motion by Orr, seconded by Hanson, to adjourn, carried unanimously.
Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Deb Prier, City Clerk

Jason Mehmen, Mayor

Revenues ending April 2016

General Fund	148734.79
Road Use Tax	8295.48
Employee Benefits	35547.26
Local Option Sales Tax	5380.86
Emergency levy	2992.44
Debt Service	29494.98
Capital Projects (cemetery)	240.00
Water	13081.47
Sewer	11147.83
Electric	55189.11
TOTAL	\$ 310,104.22

