

DUNKERTON CITY COUNCIL met in regular session, **January 19, 2015**, in the City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Edward Jessen presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present: Adam Fuelling, Mark Lichty, Colt Robinson with Tom DeLong via phone. Brian Belmer was absent. Quorum present. Fuelling led the Pledge of Allegiance.

DeLong moved, Fuelling seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda by one motion: a) January 19, 2015 Agenda as listed b) Council Minutes Dec 8 Regular Mtg as written c) Dec 2014 Monthly Reports: Clerk Budget, Clerk Bank Reconciliation, UB Reconciliation, Ambulance, Fire, Police, Building Permits, Library Stats, and Payment of Monthly Claims. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Department Head Reports:

- Public Works Dir Pierce was unable to attend.
- Mayor Jessen stated the RTA meeting had been cancelled so there was nothing to relay on behalf of City Engineer.
- Library Dir Wheeler stated there will be a craft this Saturday. There have been furnace issues recently and PW Dir Pierce is aware of them.
- Fire Chief Manahl mentioned Dec was a very active month. He is working on dept budget.
- Ambulance Chief Stout stated D-Fib is not up to date so rep is coming to meet with them.
- Police Officer Roquet commented the squad car had a number of maintenance items looked into.
- Clerk Steffen stated W2's and 1099's have been completed and is working on city budget as well as GO Bond process.

Public Comments:

- None

Fuelling motioned and DeLong seconded a 3% raise for City Clerk Steffen to be effective July 1, 2015 to coincide with new budget year. Ayes: DeLong, Lichty, Robinson and Fuelling. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Robinson motioned and DeLong seconded a 3% raise for Utility Clerk Kuentling to be effective July 1, 2015 to coincide with new budget year. Ayes: Fuelling, Lichty, DeLong, and Robinson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Discussion to hire a full time police officer ensued. Mayor Jessen stated there was a motion to hire and recommended Ed Adams with a possibility of moving him to Police Chief after his probationary period. Council member Fuelling asked if other applications had been received and if so, would like to view those applications. Council member DeLong stated he had reviewed applications and felt Ed Adams was the best candidate. Fuelling stated he felt we should follow the hiring procedures that have been used to date and although Ed Adams may be the best candidate, would like to see a larger pool of candidates to choose from. Discussion was tabled.

January 26th at 7:00 pm was chosen as the next budget workshop date.

Discussion regarding amending Ordinances 177 and 178 to clarify water and sewer

deposit rates was tabled. Mayor Jessen commented that the ordinance should state refunds to tenants will be provided after they move out.

Black Hawk Contracting and Development provided a letter seeking approval from the city to build affordable houses. Council member Fuelling requested the city attorney review Black Hawk Contracting's request and asked that a member of the company appear at a city council meeting to answer any questions. Discussion tabled.

Council member Fuelling moved and Lichty seconded a public hearing for a General Obligation bond not to exceed \$300,000 on Feb 9, 2015. Ayes: Lichty, Fuelling, and Robinson. Motion carried.

Discussion to approve Mayoral signature on Consolidated Public Safety Communications 28E Agreement was moved by Fuelling and seconded by Lichty. Ayes: Robinson, Fuelling, and Lichty. Motion carried.

Mayoral & Council Comments:

- Mayor Jessen stated that although it is winter, things are moving forward on the Chapman lots.

With no further discussion, Fuelling/Lichty to adjourn at 7:46 p.m. Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Edward A. Jessen, Mayor

ATTEST: Sheila K. Steffen, City Clerk