

DUNKERTON CITY COUNCIL met in regular session, **July 9, 2018**, in the City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Edward Jessen presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. Council members present: Mark Lichty, Bill Richard, DJ Manahl, Tina Dalton and Tom Delong. Quorum present. Delong led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Unless otherwise noted, all actions were passed by affirmative and unanimous vote of the council members present.

Consent agenda: Manahl moved, Delong seconded to approve the Consent Agenda by one motion: a) July 9, 2018 Agenda b) June 11, 2018 Council Minutes Regular Mtg as written c) June 2018 Monthly Reports: Clerk Financial Reports, Bank Reconciliation, UB Reconciliation, Ambulance, Fire (May Rpt), Building Permits, Library Stats, Payment of Monthly Claims, and new fire department probationary members: Nolan Newhall, Nick Anderson, Brady Ott and Blake Fisher.

Department Head Reports:

- Library Dir Wheeler stated the summer reading program will be ending July 24 and use of the library has increased over this last month.
- Fire Chief Manahl stated the department has been testing hoses and is getting ready for Dunkerton Days.
- Police Chief Adams stated that he has been following up on issues as his part-time position allows.
- Ambulance Chief Stout mentioned there were 16 calls in June and that new pagers should be coming in Thursday.
- Clerk Steffen had no additional report.
- Public Works staff member Kuenstling stated that public works has been getting ready for Dunkerton Days and he is checking into having Main Street striped.

Public Comments:

- Ron Reichen asked the Council if the handicap spots in front of the Community Hall could be striped as well when the City stripes Main Street. Mr. Reichen also asked about the rental house next to the Community Hall and what could be done about the water line that connects both properties. Mayor Jessen asked Mr. Reichen to meet with him after the council meeting to discuss in more detail.
- Jim Parizek asked about curb and gutter on Williams Street and when it would be completed. Mayor Jessen asked Mr. Parizek to meet with him after the council meeting so that they could discuss the topic in more detail.
- Ron Reichen mentioned to the council that a water valve cover is missing near the Community Hall and weeds have started to grow where the cover should be. It appears the water valve is missing a plate as well as a cover.

The Council discussed finances for the new ambulance. Chief Stout stated she has applied for grants and will be notified this fall if they are approved. Currently, the Ambulance department has \$71,408 in reserves, \$20,000 in association dues and \$12,000 in donations that will be applied towards the new ambulance. Further finance discussion tabled until the September council meeting.

Moved by Lichty, seconded by Delong to approve Resolution 2018-14 Set Asides for Department Reserves. Set aside amounts for each department are noted as follows: fire \$10,000, ambulance \$10,000, police \$5,000, library \$5,000, parks \$5,000, city hall \$3,000 and city maintenance shop \$5,000. Total transfer to reserve accounts of \$43,000.

Moved by Manahl, seconded by Dalton to approve purchase of new street name signs and brackets as needed. Hi-Viz Safety street sign quote for \$1,593 and 4-way brackets estimated at \$7.00 each.

Moved by Lichty, seconded by Manahl to approve Resolution 2018-11 Transfer from LOST to General Fund of \$41,425.75.

Council members discussed brush pickup within City limits. Public Works staff member Kuentling suggested a policy which outlines brush pickup on the first and third Monday's of each month from April through October. Additional pickup days would be assigned if Black Hawk County Emergency Management declared a storm. Council member Delong felt this policy would not be good for residents and that it would be easier for Public Works staff to pick up brush when residents call. Council member Lichty and Mayor Jessen stated they felt this policy allowed residents to schedule their brush cleanup as needed. Public Works staff member Chris Reynolds commented that this policy would allow the Public Works staff to be more efficient because brush pickup would be scheduled rather than taking calls at random and/or being stopped by residents throughout the day for brush pickup. Moved by Manahl, seconded by Dalton to approve Resolution 2018-13 Brush Pickup Policy. Ayes: Lichty, Richard, Manahl, and Dalton. Nays: Delong. Motion carried.

Council members discussed offering a full-time Police Chief position to Katherine Krieger. Council member Lichty mentioned candidate Krieger seemed to be a very good fit for Dunkerton. Candidate Krieger has been active in the communities that she has served and is an advocate of community policing. Moved by Manahl, seconded by Delong to offer the full-time Police Chief position to Katherine Krieger at \$22.50 per hour.

Moved by Lichty, seconded by Manahl to approve Park Board appointments. Park Board members to include: Brian Fulton, Jeff Gann, Dawn Scribner, Janelle Rottinghaus and Tim Dalton.

The discussion regarding a sidewalk in front of the fire station has been tabled until August.

Moved by Delong, seconded by Lichty to approve the lease agreement for 106 E. Main Street with resident Pat Ala.

Moved by Manahl, seconded by Lichty to approve the Wastewater Treatment Upgrade contract with VJ Engineering not to exceed \$12,500.

Moved by Lichty, seconded by Manahl to approve the Water Supply Evaluation contract with VJ Engineering not to exceed \$6,500.

Moved by Manahl, seconded by Dalton to seek additional bids for street and storm sewer improvements rather than accept VJ Engineering's proposal. Further discussion tabled until

additional bids have been received.

Moved by Manahl, seconded by Delong to purchase additional liability coverage of \$1,000,000 for \$1,416 from ICAP.

Moved by Dalton, seconded by Lichty to approve renewal of Kwik Star's cigarette permit.

Mayoral and Council comments:

- Council member Delong felt the City should look into seal coating alley's. Delong stated that rain water may need to be piped into a storm sewer since it tends to accumulate in the alley's. Public works member Kuenstling suggested having garbage pickup in the front of homes rather than garbage pickup in the alley's since the garbage trucks are so heavy and may be contributing towards some of the alley issues. Mayor Jessen suggested getting bids on seal coating.
- Council member Delong mentioned Mid-American has repaired the light at the school driveway entrance.

With no further discussion, Manahl / Dalton to adjourn at 8:04 pm.

Edward A. Jessen, Mayor

ATTEST: Sheila K. Steffen, City Clerk