

Minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the City Council of the City of Brownsville and the Brownsville HRA including all accounts audited by said City Council.

February 6, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: This regular meeting was called to order by Allen Whitesitt at 7:05p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeff LeJeune, Rick Voshart, Alan Whitesitt, John Jangula, Chelsey Leis.

OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT: Darin Ideker, Thomas Garibaldi, Olena Belka, Ben Novak, Chris Dvorak, Frank Dvorak, Shawn Virock, Casey Holzwarth, Maureen Meiners, Mary Lou Graf.

MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 2, 2019 COUNCIL MEETING WERE PRESENTED AND REVIEWED BY THE CITY COUNCIL. A MOTION WAS MADE BY CHELSEY LEIS, SECONDED BY RICK VOSHART, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS PREPARED BY THE CITY CLERK. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

FLOOR CORRESPONDENCE:

Olena Belka and Thomas Garibaldi from Bluff View Development team of La Crosse, WI presented the Council with possible plans to build a Rainy house (Tiny house) development on 905 Mississippi Lane. They presented information of the existing land concerning mud slides, property lines, rules and regulations of the City of Brownsville and the State of Minnesota to build on 905 Mississippi Lane building sight. A short video was also presented by them to give a visual of their plans. Olena also talked about the business that would come to Brownsville. Their plans are to rent it out like an AirBNB and eventually sell the property to a home owner.

Shawn Virock presented the council with information on wanting to put up a VFW memorial for the Veterans in Brownsville. He wants to form a committee of six or more but at least 2 members from the following groups, the Brownsville City Council, Brownsville Lions and the VFW of Brownsville. The group would put together a plan, design and funding for the project. Allen Whitesitt and John Jangula volunteered from the City Council.

OLD BUSINESS:

The 5th Street project: KURT CAVANAUGH SUBMITTED A CLEANUP BID FOR \$1220 FOR THE 5TH STREET PROJECT. NO OTHER BIDS WERE SUBMITTED. A MOTION WAS MADE BY RICK VOSHART, SECONDED BY JEFF LEJEUNE. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Trailers Parked in the Ball park parking lot: Chelsey brought up that the Ball park parking lot of trailers was addressed. No one knew of the owners. A decision was made to move the trailers down by the waste treatment plant for now.

Ash trees: Chelsey Leis also brought up the 2 Ash Trees in the Ball Park area, that need to be removed because of the Ash borer disease.

Marina Drive update: Allen & Casey talked with Jim Graf about the trees that were getting cut that the trees were not on city property and he was advised to stop cutting.

Board of Appeal training: Jeff LeJeune reported he finished his Board of Appeal online training.

Ball Park Lights: Darrin Ideker brought in a bid from Brad's Electric and another was submitted by Dakota Supply for the Ball Park Lights. Brad's Electric had 3 options:

1. 24- New 150W lumens with 8 panels installed \$15021 other alternate of 1. Could be 38 New 150W lumens with 8 new panels \$19717.
2. 62 New Halogen lights with 8 new panels \$12441 installed.
3. Replace Halogen Lights and 8 new panels \$6985.

Dakota Supply submitted a bid 52 Quartz flood lights \$3117.40 OR 52 LMP QTZ 1500w \$574.60 and 8 panels for \$ 522.00.

Darrin talked about possible funding for the lights from fund raisers, school parents possibly donating money toward it and the Brownsville Lions.

NEW BUSINESS:

Allen Whitesitt presented that the Eagle Scouts of Houston along with their leader, Owen Gaustad were interested in fixing the fence around the ball park. Allen and Casey will meet with Owen and get prices on the project.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT:

Casey Holzwarth addressed the gutter project bids. Foellmi Construction \$8985 finishing project with continuous side of steel. Curt Mann had a bid for \$1860 for the rain gutter. Chelsey Leis made a motion to accept bids and John Jangula seconded it. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Ben Novak reported that they had a great turnout for their Chicken Q. They raised \$1250.00. They sold 224 dinners.

Maureen updated Fire Department officers list.

CITY CLERK:

Personnel Committee: Mary Lou Graf addressed that the City Council needs to set up a Personnel Committee. Allen Whitesitt and John Jangula agreed to be on the committee.

July Meeting Date: July monthly council meeting is on July 3, 2019 was addressed with it being next to a holiday, July 4. It was decided to keep Monthly meeting for July on July 3rd.

Summer Rec. Complaints of the last year summer rec employees didn't show up when they were supposed to be working. Allen Whitesitt said he would talk to his son, Philip Whitesitt about possible connections for workers from the College for the Summer Recreation jobs in Brownsville.

MEETING AGENDA: Chelsey Leis asked about emailing the Meeting Agenda the day before the meeting to the Council members. Maureen agreed to email it to the Council Members.

BILLS:

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CHELSEY LEIS, SECONDED BY JEFF LEJEUNE TO PAY BILLS PRESENTED BY THE CITY CLERK. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT: AT 9:10p.m. A MOTION WAS MADE BY RICK VOSHART SECONDED BY CHELSEY LEIS, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

AT THIS TIME THE CITY COUNCIL AUDITED THE CITY BOOKS FOR THE YEAR 2018.

These minutes respectively submitted by:

Mary Lou Graf

Mary Lou Graf, City Clerk

Approved by me this 6th day of March 2019.

Allen Whitesitt

Allen Whitesitt, Mayor