

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

April 3,2019

CALL TO ORDER: This regular meeting was called to order by Allen Whitesitt at 7:00p.m.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Mike and Sue Klauke, Randy and Jean Krueger, Jim Hakes, Julie Thompson-Hakes, Nancy Cowgill, Mark Kauffman, Sanje McGonigle, Kim Schwab, Benny Kusuma, Mike Swinghamer, Brandon Frank, Casey Holzwarth, Maureen Meiners, Mary Lou Graf

MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 6TH 2019 MEETING WERE PRESENTED AND REVIEWED BY THE CITY COUNCIL. A MOTION WAS MADE CHELSEY LEIS, SECONDED BY JOHN JANGULA, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS PREPARED BY THE CITY CLERK. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

FLOOR CORRESPONDENCE: Jim Hakes asked about North 2nd Street project. Casey Holzwarth reported he'll be adding rip rap to it to fix it.

OLD BUSINESS:

BALLPARK LIGHTS: Ballpark lights are in and functioning. The first game is Thursday evening, April 4th.

HARBOR LIGHTS DRIVE: Allen Whitesitt and Casey Holzwarth did some repairs to the Harbor Lights Drive road. A few residents from Harbor Lights were present at the meeting and reported to the city council about the flooding and water drainage of the Harbor Lights Drive road. There was a discussion of a new road access to Harbor Lights Drive to eliminate water pooling up on the road. Rick Voshart suggested maybe rerouting the road. Casey will talk to Chris Strub for a bid for doing rock layers to build a new road to Harbor Lights Drive, retaining wall, culverts. Allen will talk to Greg Davids about the road concerns of Harbor Lights Drive. Allen and Rick will try to set up a meeting with Fish and Wildlife, and Army Corp of Engineers, and the Railroad Corporate Managing team to discuss this matter.

SUMMER REC. JOB DESCRIPTION/POSTING: Jeff LeJeune was appointed to come up with a job description for the Summer Rec. position by next council meeting. Chelsey Leis will be making a schedule for summer rec, Wednesday night games, high school games, and girls' softball.

MARK KAUFFMAN: Casey Holzwarth will meet with Mark Kauffman on Thursday April 4 to discuss building permit, and variances of his lot & tree removal on his property.

EAGLE SCOUTS PROJECT: No new information

ANIMAL CONTROL: Maureen Meiners called Amanda Myhre about taking care of the animal control for the City of Brownsville. She agreed to pick up strays, room and board the animal until she finds a home for it.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CHELSEY LEIS, SECONDED BY RICK VOSHART TO HIRE AMANDA MYHRE AS ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER FOR THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE AT A COST OF \$1200.00 PER YEAR. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

BALLPARK PARKING LOT: Chelsey Leis relayed to the council a request from a city resident to pave the ballpark parking lot. Rick Voshart said it would be extremely expensive to blacktop this lot. He's thinking \$30,000 to \$40,000 to do it. Casey commented that the 1-1/2inch rock seems to be firming it up. Suggestions of moving the La Crescent bus route that picks up kids from the ballpark parking lot to pick up kids on their street corners, so the bus doesn't have to turn around. Chelsey Leis will make a map for the bus route.

NEW BUSINESS:

Brandon Frank wants to have a 3 person Volley ball tournament at the ballpark grass area in the ball field on July 6th from 9am to 5 pm. There will be 16 teams. Rent for the ball field is \$25.00.

Chris Dvorak will be doing Firearms safety training in Brownsville this year. He has 5 kids interested.

Tom Danielson will be at the next council meeting to go over the City of Brownsville insurance policy.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT: Casey Holzwarth reported that the Community Center project is complete. Casey Holzwarth also informed the City Council about Adams Street project up the hill to Gaustad property. It's approximately 120 feet that needs proper drainage for water to run off in the proper direction. He received a bid from Chris Strub of \$6500. Brook street project was also addressed, Casey had talked to Chris Strub. He has the city job on their list for 2019. Mary Lou will check into available funds for these 2 street projects. Chelsey questioned the City Council if they had seen the street signs in Brownsville that are in bad shape. Chelsey was asked to take pictures of the bad signs and the Council will look at it, next meeting.

Casey Holzwarth will be going to Wastewater Operators training April 15-18. Casey requested Council hire Tim Serres to take care of sewer plant while he is at training.

RICK VOSHART MADE A MOTION, JOHN JANGULA SECONDED IT TO HIRE TIM SERRES TO OPERATE SEWER PLANT WHILE CASEY IS AT TRAINING. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Brandon Frank reported that the department had a lot of calls in March. He also reported that there was 7 Fire dept. members that are going to attend Riverland College for the State Fire school. The next 2 fire meetings there will be a training trailer coming from Rochester, MN to teach fire fighters how to treat and extinguish LP fires. Brandon also met with Jared Rozeboom. He a fire services specialist with the Minnesota State Fire Marshall's Office. On April 16th the fire dept and Jared ^{will} be making a list of things prioritizing them, planning and budgeting for the year ahead to repair or replace things as needed and as budget allows.

CITY CLERK: Mary Lou Graf asked for approval of the cigarette licenses for Wildcat Saloon, River Station and Lawrence Lake Marina for 2019.

RICK VOSHART MADE A MOTON, CHELSEY LEIS SECONDED IT TO APPROVE THE 2019 CIGARETTE LICENSE FOR WILDCAT SALOON, THE RIVER STATION AND LAWRENCE LAKE MARINA. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR MOTION CARRIED.

Liquor License Approvals:

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JEFF LEJEUNE, SECONDED BY JOHN JANGULA TO GRANT A ON/OFF SALE LIQUOR, SUNDAY LIQUOR, ON/OFF SALE BEER LICENSE TO SAXON HALL, LLC FOR THE YEAR 2019. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE RICK VOSHART, SECONDED BY CHELSEY LEIS TO GRANT A ON/OFF SALE LIQUOR, SUNDAY LIQUOR, ON/OFF SALE BEER LICENSE TO WILDCAT SALOON, LLC FOR THE YEAR 2019. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RICK VOSHART, SECONDED BY CHELSEY LEIS TO GRANT A 3.2 OFF SALE LIQUOR LICENSE TO THE RIVER STATION FOR THE YEAR 2019. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JEFF LEJEUNE, SECONDED BY JOHN JANGULA, TO GRANT A OFF SALE LIQUOR LICENSE TO LAWRENCE LAKE MARINA FOR THE YEAR 2019. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Mary Lou also presented the Council with the City Financial sheet for 2018. The Financial Sheet was reviewed. Allen Whitesitt had 3 questions on it and Mary Lou was going to get his answers to him.

Torte Liability Coverage:

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RICK VOSHART, SECONDED BY JEFF LEJEUNE, TO WAIVE TORTE LIABILITY COVERAGE FOR THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE FOR THE YEAR 2019. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR MOTION CARRIED.

A building permit request from Larry/Vicki Johnson at 313 South Marina Drive was presented to the council for approval. The Marina Covenant has already approved it. A MOTION WAS MADE BY CHELSEY LEIS AND SECONDED BY RICK VOSHART TO APPROVE LARRY AND VICKI JOHNSONS BUILDING PERMIT ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

READING OF THE BILLS: A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE BILLS BY JEFF LEJEUNE AND SECOND BY JOHN JANGULA. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT: AT 9:15 PM, A MOTION WAS MADE BY RICK VOSHART, SECONDED BY CHELSEY LEIS TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

These minutes respectfully submitted by:

Mary Lou Graf, City Clerk

Approved by me this 1st day of May 2019

Allen Whitesitt, Mayor

