



CITY OF FREEPORT

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December 22, 2020 – Meeting Minutes

A regular meeting of the Freeport City Council was convened at 7:00 pm by Mayor Mike Eveslage, and councilmembers Sarah Blake, Ben Ettle, Tim Hennen, and Jake Renneker.

Staff in attendance: Clerk-Treasurer Joan Wall, Public Works Director Loren Goebel, Administrative Assistant Lori Austing, City Engineer Dave Blommel, City Attorney Scott Dymoke, Fire Chief Andy Grieve.

Others in attendance:
Carol Moorman (Star Post)

Approve Agenda

Wall asked to add claims #4376-4378 for All Star Trophy & Awards, Stearns County Auditor-Treasurer, and Xcel Energy to the consent agenda. Eveslage asked to remove Creamery Building from Old Business. Ettle moved to approve with the changes, seconded by Renneker. Motion carried 5-0.

Public Forum

No comments

Consent Agenda

Ettle moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Hennen. Motion carried 5-0.

Reports

Clerk-Treasurer Report

Nothing further to add.

Fire Department Report

Grieve reported they had seven rescue calls during the last month. Elections were held and Grieve remains chief, while Branden Roering and Jamie Engelmeyer remain assistant chiefs. Hennen moved to approve the fire department election, seconded by Blake. Motion carried 5-0.

Public Works Report

Goebel explained that a resident asked for the pond to be sprayed, so that is why the Carr's Tree Service quote includes both mowing and spraying. Hennen moved to only have Carr's mow, seconded by Ettle. Motion carried 5-0.

Engineer Report and Resolution 2020-15

Blommel believes Industrial Drive and 7th Street SW would qualify to receive funding through the Local Road Improvement Program. It's an 80% grant and 20% City funded. It is a very competitive program and

Stearns County is supporting the project. Stearns County needs to submit it for us because we are under 5,000 in population. Blommel will not charge us for his work on this grant. Council directed Blommel to submit the grant application.

Ettle moved to approve Resolution 2020-15, seconded by Renneker. Motion carried 5-0.

Blommel stated he would like the engineering contract approved at this meeting so he can do design work during January. Hennen moved to approve the engineering contract, seconded by Ettle. Motion carried 5-0.

Attorney Report

Nothing further to add.

Old Business

Resolution 2020-18 2021 Budget and Tax Levy

Renneker moved to approve Resolution 2020-18, seconded by Blake. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business

Resolution 2020-17 Designating a Polling Place for 2021

Hennen moved to approve Resolution 2020-17, seconded by Blake. Motion carried 5-0.

Adjourn

At 7:20 pm Ettle moved to adjourn, seconded by Blake. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor, Mike Eveslage

City Clerk-Treasurer, Joan Wall