

The Sheffield City Council Regular Session was called to order at Sheffield City Hall by Mayor, Nick Wilson, at 7:00PM on Monday December 12<sup>th</sup> 2016. Council Members in attendance were Jim Hegarty, JC McCaslin, & Brad Mulford. Mike McKee and Ron Simmons were absent. Also in attendance were Pat Nuehring, Public Works Director and Police Chief, Sam Cain.

Mayor Wilson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Hegarty made a motion to approve the agenda. McCaslin seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Wilson announced that it was the time and place for the public forum. Nothing was presented.

McCaslin made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular December session. Mulford seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Mulford made a motion to approve the bill listing. Hegarty seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

McCaslin made a motion to approve the clerk's monthly finance report and Mulford seconded the motion, it carried unanimously.

Mayor Wilson asked to have the municipality tickets discussed with Megan Rosenberg back on the old business.

#### In New Business:

- James Murl was in attendance with a delinquent utility account. He stated the North Iowa Regional Housing Authority will be sending \$138 a month for the next 3 months for his utility account. Jim Hegarty made a motion to accept this payment agreement and a 2<sup>nd</sup> was made by JC McCaslin. All ayes. No nays.
- Larry Fanny was in attendance to ask for the financial support of the city as in the past years. The amount given in the past was \$2,750 and he asked for the same amount this year. JC McCaslin made a motion to continue the support with the same amount. Brad Mulford 2<sup>nd</sup>. All ayes. No nays.
- Holiday pay for part-time employees was discussed. It was decided that an 8hr holiday pay will be given to each part-time employee as at Christmas time. All swimming pool employees are seasonal temporary employees not part-time. The employee handbook will be redone and presented at the next council meeting.
- Discussion for a part-time public works employee came to a conclusion of not adding someone right now.
- Jessica Foreshoe, library director, presented an end of the year report. She stated a grant has been written for replacing the roof. She also indicated that ceiling tiles are coming loose and some have fallen off and there are problems with some windows also.
- Website advertising will be left at the current price of \$120 per year. Jim Hegarty made a motion and Brad Mulford 2<sup>nd</sup>. All ayes. No nays.
- Some of the fire department were in attendance to discuss a new station. John Jeffrey presented a drawing of a possibility. Location was discussed with possibilities of 3 areas. The current tanker truck only holds 1,000 gallons of water which can be used in 1 minute. A large tanker truck which holds 30,000 gallons of water will not fit in the doors of the current station. JC McCaslin and Brad Mulford volunteered to be on a committee with Mayor Wilson with Dan Field, fire chief, and 2 from the fire department to talk to Eugene Sukup about land on the east side of town on Gilman. It was discussed what the old fire station could be used for and a community center was mentioned. When all is decided, a bond issue will be needed for the community to vote on. It was decided to try to have this all done and on the ballot for the November public voting. JC McCaslin made a motion to put this all into action and Brad Mulford made a 2<sup>nd</sup>. All ayes. No nays.
- The application for the planning and design loan for the watermain project was looked at. Jim Hegarty made a motion to approve and Brad Mulford 2<sup>nd</sup>. All ayes. No nays.

- Chief Sam Cain presented his quotes for a new rifle to be purchased with police seizure money. The quote found online with Brownells was \$1,000 less than the local quote. It was decided to go with the online quote to purchase the new rifle. Jim Hegarty made a motion to approve with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Brad Mulford. All ayes. No nays.
- Jim Hegarty made a motion to approve resolution 17-29, Budget Amendment Public Hearing. JC McCaslin 2<sup>nd</sup>. Roll call: Hegarty-yes, McCaslin-yes, Mulford-yes.
- JC McCaslin made a motion to approve resolution 17-30, FY2018 Budget Public Hearing. Brad Mulford 2<sup>nd</sup>. Roll call: Hegarty-yes, McCaslin-yes, Mulford-yes.

Mayor/Council Comments – Mayor Wilson said that Eugene Sukup and John Latham contacted him about a 5-year tax abatement for Ridge Stone Golf Course. It would help the business stay in business. It was agreed to draw something up to present to them with year one being zero tax and a prorated scale for the remaining 4 years. Usually tax abatements are for 3 years but it was decided to go with the 5 year that was asked for. It was also brought up that Eugene Sukup would like to see the hayfield developed. He would loan the money to the city to develop this property. Jim Hegarty and JC McCaslin agreed to go with Mayor Wilson to talk to Eugene.

Mulford motioned to adjourn the meeting, McCaslin seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Adjournment at 7:55PM.

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Valerie Borseth, Assistant City Clerk

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Nick Wilson, Mayor