

Waitsburg City Council Meeting – January 11, 2017

Mayor Dunn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

City Clerk Randy Hinchliffe called the roll. The following were present:

Mayor: Marty Dunn

Council Members: Kevin House, KC Kuykendall, Kate Hockersmith, Karen Gregutt, Karl Newell and student representative Timber Frohreich

Others: On file at City Hall

Agenda Approval

With no changes to the agenda, the agenda was approved and passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes – December 21, 2016 Regular Meeting

With no corrections, the minutes were approved and passed unanimously.

Public Comment

Joy Smith presented a meeting planners guide to the City Council that the Commercial Club is working on.

New Business

a. City Utility Rate Review

City Staff presented an update on City Utility rates for the purpose of coming to a consensus on a rate increase for future infrastructure improvements. Council discussed the staff proposal which included eliminating the base rate water usage allotment of 1000 cubic feet coupled with a base rate increase on sewer rates. Council member Kuykendall offered an alternative proposal that included a 5% rate increase for both water and sewer for 2017 and 2018, along with a reduction in the allotment from 1000 cubic feet to 500 along with a reduction in the overage rate of \$.15 from \$.80 per hundred cubic feet to \$.65 per hundred cubic feet. With more discussion on the proposal and no objections from City Staff, Council Kuykendall moved to proceed with the proposed increase with Council Member Gregutt seconding. Motion to proceed with the proposed rate increase was approved and passed unanimously.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Dunn offered his appreciation to the City Crew for their snow removal efforts.

Council Reports

Council member echoed her support of the street work. Commented on the candidates for the tree committee when the time comes.

City Clerk Report

City Clerk Randy Hinchliffe updated the City Council on various matters related to the day to day operations of the City.

Approval of Bills

With one question related to the City's obligations, Council Member Newell moved to approve with Council Member House seconding. Motion to approve the bills was approved and passed unanimously.

December Payroll Clearing (Warrants 20880 - 20909)	\$36,247.28
Claims Clearing Vouchers (Warrants 20910 - 20948)	<u>\$31,573.66</u>
Total	\$67,808.07

Adjournment of Meeting

There being no further business, the meeting was then adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Approved:

2/07/2017

Attest:

Mayor

City Clerk