

Waitsburg City Council Meeting – May 18, 2016

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

Roll Call

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

Mayor: Walt Gobel

Council Members: Kevin House, KC Kuykendall, Marty Dunn, Kate Hockersmith, Karl Newell and student representative Stuart Walsh

Others: On file at City Hall

Agenda Approval

With no changes, agenda was approved and passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes – April 20, 2016 Regular Meeting

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

Public Comment

Joseph Rhymes approached the City Council to request an appeal to the City Administrator's decision to deny payment of a plumber bill associated with sewer problems adjacent to his property. After discussion the request, Council Member Kuykendall moved to pay the bill with Council Member House seconding. Motion to overturn the administrator decision and pay the bill was approved and passed unanimously.

Joy Smith commented on the Waitsburg Celebration Days events.

New Business

a. Preston Park usage.

Request from the Society for Creative Anachronism to use Preston Park for a renaissance fair and to allow overnight camping in the park for the event. With no concerns, request was approved and passed unanimously.

b. Flood Levee Feasibility Study Update

Representatives from the Army Corp of Engineers were present to update the City Council on the Flood Levee Feasibility Study that Corp is getting ready to undertake at the request of the City. Council discussed the update, asking questions of the Corp as the presentation progressed. Additional information to come as the study continues to development. Discussion only, no action taken.

c. Mayor Pro Tem Selection

Selection of Mayor Pro Tem for the 2016-2017 City Council term. Council Member Newell nominated current Mayor Pro Tem Dunn to the position for another term. With objections, Council Member Dunn accepted the nomination and was approved unanimously.

d. Resolution 656

Resolution adopting a draft shoreline management plan update. Staff in conjunction with Council Member Kuykendall briefed the City Council on the purpose of the plan update the process undertaken to get to the approve step. With no more discussion, Council member Newell moved to approve with Council member Dunn seconding. Motion to approve was approved and passed unanimously.

e. Resolution 657

Resolution related to various items associated with the City Pool for the 2016 Pool Season. After a brief discussion regarding the resolution, Council member Dunn moved to approve with Council member Hockersmith seconding. Motion to approve was approved and passed unanimously.

f. Public Right of Way Tree Removal

Item related to the removal of five trees along W. 6th Street located in the City Right of Way that are impacting the adjacent sidewalk to the point of heaving it. Council discussed the tree removal issue including the City's current tree committee code, a submitted arborists report in addition to hearing comments from several people regarding the trees. With no more discussion, Council Member Newell moved to remove the trees and repair the sidewalk and revisit the tree committee code at the June Council

meeting. Council Member Kuykendall seconded the motion and the motion to remove the trees was approve and passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business

a. Ordinance 1034

Ordinance related to the establishment of the Friends of the Waitsburg Fairgrounds Committee. Council discussed the proposed ordinance and felt a residency requirement was not necessary. With no more discussion, Council member Dunn moved to approve as amended with Council Member Hockersmith seconding. Motion to approve was approved and passed unanimously.

b. City of Waitsburg Land Ownership

Item related to a request to surplus a certain section of abandoned railroad shown under the ownership of the City of Waitsburg. Due to an unclear ownership record at the time of the request, item was tabled until the City could clear up the ownership before considering surplus it.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Gobel recognized Student Representative Stewart Walsh for his service to the City of Waitsburg on the City Council. He also assigned Committees for the 2016/2017 Council term.

Council Reports

Nothing reported.

City Clerk Report

City Clerk Randy Hinchliffe informed the City Council on various day to day business matters of the City; specifically an update on the City's budget through the first quarter of 2016.

Approval of Bills

With no questions related to the City's obligations, Council Member Kuykendall moved to approve with Council Member Dunn seconding. Motion to approve the bills was approved and passed unanimously.

April Payroll Clearing (Warrants 20362 - 20374)	\$17,706.85
May Payroll Clearing (Warrants 20375 - 20387)	\$18,221.60
Claims Clearing Vouchers (Warrants 20388-20423)	<u>\$109,954.44</u>
Total	\$145,882.89

Adjournment of Meeting

There being no further business, the meeting was then adjourned at 9:23p.m.

Approved:

6/15/2016

Attest:

Mayor

City Clerk