

CITY COUNCIL MEETING Minutes of Special Meeting February 23, 2021

After the pledge and invocation by Amy Hurst, Mayor Stinson called the Special Meeting to order.

The following Council Members answering roll call:

Amy Hurst	Present	Joyce Carson	Present
Craig Owen	Present	Sebastian Ernst	Absent
Darryl Ammerman	Present	Luke Price	Present

Also Present: Attorney Rachael Wilhite for Brandon Voelker

The City's Auditor, Paul Maddox was in attendance to present the FY 19-20 with a power point handout. He explained the first page summarizes there were no weaknesses in internal control and no significant deficiencies in internal control. He also added there were no instances of noncompliance with laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements. As pointed out in the graphed pages, the state retirement is the biggest liability to the city and basically there is nothing we can do about it as the retirement has been underfunded for years. The problem is now cities are required to show that deficit in their audits. He felt overall the city was in good shape and needed to address the sewer loss. He concluded by complimenting the Clerk staff for their willingness and transparency in working to complete the audit.

Stephanie Schlueter with Three Rivers Health District was present to give an overview of the 5-year plan highlighting the top three priorities. Those were: mental health, physical health, and access to services. Those three areas were being divided into workgroups as a way to address and focus on the needs. She was present to educate and invite anyone interested to join part of the workgroups. The plan is to meet on a monthly basis and encouraged participation. During discussion, it was suggested any links to the information be sent to City Clerk and could be added to City website and/or facebook page in order to reach more people

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 19, 2021; February 2, 2021

MOTION: Luke Price made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded Darryl Ammerman. Motion carried 5-0-0.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance 2021:1 1st Reading amending the local limits of discharge for the city of Falmouth.

OLD BUSINESS

Luke Price reported he is still getting pricing for the lights for the bridge and they have contacted a couple people skilled in iron work about submitting a bid to rework/replace the bases that are in disrepair. Request for those quotes to be submitted by the March meeting.

It was reported that streetlights had been ordered to start that replacement project.

Mayor Stinson and several others had met with Wayne Lonaker from East Pendleton Water District to discuss the option for them to tie into our city sewer by Oak Haven Subdivision. No definitive price was set, but consensus was to be priced per thousand gallons of usage. It was the opinion of several that any price quoted would be submitted to PSC by East Pendleton for approval.

Attorney Rachel Wilhite addressed the amendment to the Fire Dept Ordinance asking for clarification on the terms of the years. It should be ready for a 1st reading at the next regular meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

A discussion was held on blighted properties and it was decided to form a committee. Those volunteering were Craig Owen and Amy Hurst. It was suggested to add Sebastian Ernst as this was something he was concerned about and interested in.

The topic of street parking was discussed, and it was decided to form a committee for this issue as well. That committee included: Darryl Ammerman, Luke Price, and Joyce Carson.

OTHER

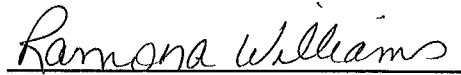
City Clerk Williams reported a deposit had been paid for the door replacements. The lead time would be 8-10 weeks and possibly start seeing activity by the end of May.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Amy Hurst made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Joyce Carson. All aye 5-0-0.



Ron Stinson, Mayor



Attest: City Clerk