

City of Ormsby

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Watsonwan/Martin County

Ormsby City Council Meeting **June 4, 2018**

Meeting was called to order at 7pm by Mayor Charles Waterbury

Roll Call

- Members Present: Dawn Hanson, Angie Mohlenbrock, Karen Waterbury and Laura Baarson.
- Others Present: Ron Fast

Approval of Last Month's Minutes:

- Last month's financial reports and minutes were read and approved on Motion by Council Member Mohlenbrock and seconded by Council Member Waterbury. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Presentation of Claims:

- Claims were reviewed and signed by City Council Members. Approval to pay claims made on a Motion by Council Member Waterbury and seconded by Council Member Baarson. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Work Update from Ron Fast:

- Ron has finally been able to start cleaning out gutters because of the wet weather we received and he has also dragged the ball field. He did mention that there was a lot of grass growing in the infield. He will be putting up flags for Flag Day on June 14th. The Council would also like Ron to recheck the expired licenses on vehicles in town before letters are sent to the owners. Ron will also be turning in the pop cans in the near future.

NuWay LP Contract:

- At the time of the meeting, the Clerk had not heard back from NuWay regarding LP costs for the 2018/2019 season. She will get a price before the next meeting in July.

Fire Department/EMT:

- Fire Chief Swanson was in contact with the Clerk regarding an Agreement similar to the City of St. James's regarding the reimbursement of fees, etc., when Fire Department members take EMT classes but then leave the Fire Department or the area altogether. The cost of initial classes can be in the range of \$1,000.00 and the City has had a recent case where they paid for the classes and the person moved away from the area within a year. The Council reviewed a draft Agreement similar to the St. James Agreement and a discussion was held as to whether or not the City would actually get paid back if the trainee quit the Fire Department or moved away. In the end, it was felt that if the trainee had to sign the Agreement before starting classes that it might make them realize that they need to take the commitment seriously. A Motion was made by Council Member Hanson and seconded by Council Member Mohlenbrock to adopt an Agreement for Emergency Medical Technician Training and the Motion carried on a 5-0 vote. The Clerk will make a few changes to the draft Agreement and have it ready for the July meeting.

Water/Wastewater Items:

- There are three possible shutoffs if payments are not made by the 10th.

- The Clerk mentioned that she had a couple of complaints regarding the quality of the water from Red Rock Rural Water, as well as the water pressure. The Clerk will contact RRRW and report back at the next meeting.
- The Mayor and Clerk updated the rest of the Council regarding checking manholes in town with Steve Firchau from the City of St. James. Many of the manholes had some water running through them but the worst area was the alley between the Fire Hall and Broadway. In particular was the manhole directly to the North of Paul Nibbe's residence. A lot of water was gushing out of a pipe at the bottom of the manhole and Charlie will try to talk with Paul sometime this month, since they were not home at the time.

Old Business:

- No bids have been received yet regarding the City Hall roof. All the Contractors in the area are behind because of the spring wet weather and hopefully the City will receive the bids soon.
- The Clerk spoke with Bruce Borntreger regarding the towing of unlicensed vehicles in town and he informed her that it would be a cost to the registered owners of the vehicles and not to the City. He needs the current registered name for each vehicle, since many times the vehicle may be at a certain residence but not actually licensed to that person. The Clerk will try to get that information from the County and letters will be sent to the owners giving them ten days to remove or license the vehicles or they will be towed. There will be an update at the July meeting.
- The Clerk was in contact with Jim from Bergen's regarding the patch job at Laura Baarson's corner. He said he will take a look at it and get back to her. This will be addressed at the July meeting.
- There is no news regarding the demolition of Rabbe's Grain Elevator.
- The Council wishes to wait on Trimont sweeping the streets at this time but will take a look at the matter again near fall.

Mayor's Agenda Items:

- Mayor Waterbury was contacted by Lonny Watson that the street light by his house doesn't always work. The Clerk will contact South Central Electric. Lonny also mentioned that the trees behind his house adjoining Kent Olson's farm land are dying because of Kent's spraying when it was too windy. It was felt that there wasn't much that could be done about the situation,
- Mayor Waterbury was also contacted about the snowmobile trailer that is sitting on the service road by Dawn Hanson's residence. Council Member Hanson informed the Council that it would be moved the next day and that they would be working on putting up their fence.
- Mayor Waterbury and Council Member Waterbury will be out of town from July 3 through July 8. If there are any problems, Deputy Mayor Hanson should be contacted.

Announcements:

- The next regular Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 9, at 7:00 p.m. due to the 4th of July Holiday and the Waterburys being out of town.

Motion to Adjourn:

- A Motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Waterbury and seconded by Council Member Baarson and carried on a 5-0 vote.

Respectfully Submitted by Angela Sokolofsky, City of Ormsby-Clerk: