

Regular Meeting, Ethan Town Board, 2-12-18

The Town of Ethan board met in regular session on February 12, 2018, at the Ethan City Hall at 6:00 pm. Trustees present were Lisa Hjellum, Jason Koch, Nancy Schoenfelder, and Gregg Thibodeau; absent was Megan Perry. City personnel present: Betty Raymond and Dave Duba. Also present: Bob Bruske and Harry Redman

Chairman Hjellum called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
All motions were unanimously voted as aye unless stated otherwise.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Agenda was approved on motion by Thibodeau, second by Schoenfelder.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the January 15th meeting were approved on motion by Koch, second by Thibodeau. Minutes from the Community Center were reviewed.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:

Motion Koch, second Thibodeau to approve the claims.

General, sewer, water, preservation and community center funds * employee and board wages – board wages \$346.31, employee wages \$3608.89; Northwestern Energy, Christmas lights \$139.99; SD Retirement \$569.48; Agland Co-op, fuel \$253.38; Badger Meter, monthly charge \$124.09; Betty Raymond, mileage \$154.14; Campbell Supply, supplies \$15.96; Card Services, misc \$516.60; CMC Excavation \$56.12; Daily Republic, publishing \$234.24; Donahue Electric, repair \$248.71; Ethan Coop Lumber, supplies \$68.02; Johnson Heating & Cooling, repairs \$549.49; Maxwell & Bowar, insurance \$1156.00; Menards, supplies \$96.07; Midwest Fire and Safety, \$239.00; Mitchell Plumbing & Heating, ECC bathroom \$4980.00; Northern Truck Equipment, parts \$736.12; NorthWestern Energy, utilities \$2196.87; Santel, telephone & laptop purchase \$2512.50; SD Department of Revenue, testing \$30.00; SD Federal Property Agency, \$42.00; SD One Call, fee \$2.10; Weber Sanitation, garbage service \$1310.00; QuickBooks Payroll Services \$3616.35; SD Dept of Revenue, sales tax \$87.81; US Treasury, employment taxes \$1272.48; US Bank, loan \$6399.24; USDA, loan payment \$1023.00; WorldPay, credit card machine charges \$28.05; Hanson Rural Water, tower/water \$4562.00.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Finance Officer discussed the current financials. Annual report was presented for review and will be published.

WATER/SEWER REPORT: The Board reviewed and discussed the water loss report. Discussed GPS mapping of fire hydrants, water mains, curb stops, manholes, etc. Harry Redman from District III Planning and Development did a presentation of this service which would be included in our dues and no extra charge to the town. Mr. Redman also asked if the Council was interested in pursuing a grant to extend Depot Street to Hwy 42. The Council indicated that they were not at this time.

CITIZEN INPUT: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Community Center: Discussed having Premier Pest Control deal with bat issue. Nancy Schoenfelder suggested contacting Game, Fish & Parks as she thought they had a free program for dealing with bats.

Sale of Lots: Continued discussion about the sale of City owned lots. Finance Officer is to contact a realtor for a property evaluation.

3rd Street: Reviewed proposal from SPN for the project. Tabled at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

New Building for ECL: Bob Bruske asked to have the alley between Lots 3-6 and 7-10, Block 3, Scheich's Addition, vacated. Ethan Lumber owns all of the lots and plan to build a storage shed. Approved on motion by Hjellum, second by Thibodeau.

Surplus Property: Discussed declaring surplus solid wood doors & frames from the Community Center, plus a laptop, router and large black/white printer. Also discussed selling a fogger. Items were declared surplus on motion by Schoenfelder, second by Thibodeau.

Community Matching Grant: Received requests for grants up to \$500 from the American Legion, Ethan Fire Department and Ethan Historical. Approved on motion by Hjellum, second by Koch, pending completion of the fund raiser.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: none

The next regular board meeting is March 12th at 6:00 pm.

Motion by Schoenfelder, second by Koch to adjourn at 8:05 pm.

Betty Raymond
Finance Officer

Lisa Hjellum
Chairman

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