

Strawberry Point City Council
Regular Meeting September 16, 2009

The Strawberry Point City Council met for a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 16, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers of City Hall. Mayor Fox presided and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members answering roll call were Jan Parkin, Troy Stover, Norm Rizer and Jackie Opperman.

Two people, Wally Rowcliffe and Jon Schack, contacted City Hall about the appointment to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Al Friederich. Each person gave a brief speech to the City Council. Stover moved to appoint Wally Rowcliffe to fill this vacancy. Rizer seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Rizer, Stover, and Parkin. Opperman abstained. Motion passed. Wally Rowcliffe accepted the appointment and was given the oath of office by the City Clerk.

Rizer moved to approve the agenda. Stover seconded this motion. All voted in favor and motion passes.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 6) Minutes from August 19th
- 7) Claims
- 8) Motion to approve the re-appointment of Dan Paris to the Ambulance Board
- 9) Motion to approve the release of the housing rehab grant that has matured for 223 E. Mission
- 10) Motion to approve the release of the housing rehab grant that has matured for 122 Elkader Street

Rizer moved to approve the consent agenda. Parkin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Opperman, Rizer, Parkin, Rowcliffe and Stover. Nays: None. Consent agenda passes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council reviewed a change order from the Industrial Park Street Project which was for additional backfill for \$602.95. Parkin moved to approve change order for \$602.95. Stover seconded the motion. All voted in favor and motion passes. Council reviewed pay estimate #2 for \$132,065.22. Rizer moved that we approve pay estimate #2 for \$132,065.22. Stover seconded the motion. All voted in favor and motion passes. Council reviewed the final pay estimate for the Industrial Park project for \$8,206.34. Stover moved that we approve the final pay estimate for \$8,206.34. Parkin seconded the motion. All voted in favor and motion passes. Council also received a recommendation from Tekippe Engineering to accept the project as being complete. Rizer moved that we accept the project. Stover seconded the motion. All voted in favor and motion passes.

Council reviewed pay estimate #2 for \$90,982.23 for the Westwood Drive Street Project. Stover moved that we approve pay estimate #2 for \$90,982.23. Rizer seconded the motion. All voted in favor and motion passes.

INFORMATION

The Council received the August month-end financial reports.

NEW BUSINESS

The council reviewed a cost proposal for sewer valves that are needed in case of an emergency at the lagoon from Utility Equipment for \$3,172.40. J & R supply provided a quote

that was higher. We will need some trenching done, but then the city employees can finish the job. Parkin moved that we approve the sewer valves from Utility Equipment for \$3,172.40. Rizer seconded the motion. All voted in favor and motion passes.

The economic director was present to ask council approval for some things for Strawberry Days 2010. One thing that needs approval is barricading East Mission to Mechanic Street for the Fireman's dance and the truck and tractor show. The parade route will be the same as 2009 and this needs to be approved. The Chamber is requesting permission to hold a midnight swim on Friday night for the younger people. They are also requesting permission to use City barricades and install temporary electrical service for the blow up things that will be located behind City Hall and the fire station. They are also requesting permission to have the semis from Kids Again to park on Milwaukee Road. Rowcliffe moved that we approve the requests of the Chamber. Parkin seconded the motion. All voted in favor and motion passes.

It is time to renew advertising at the Elkader Cinema, which is split three ways between the City, the Chamber and the Development Fund. It is \$107 a year for the City. The City did this last year and it has generated calls and interest in Strawberry Point. Parkin moved that we continue advertising at the Elkader Cinema. Rizer seconded the motion. All voted in favor and motion passes.

The ambulance board is requesting permission to purchase a Stair-Pro for the ambulance. One cost proposal is from Stryker for \$2,659.65 and the other from EMP for \$2600. Opperman moved that we approve the Stair-Pro for the \$2600 from EMP. Stover seconded the motion. All voted in favor and motion passes.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mark Meyer passed his Sewer Grade 1 certification test. Discussion of an increase in pay will be added to the next agenda. There has been a complaint regarding bats downtown, which we can't do much with except recommending calling an exterminator. The civic center floor is finished and looks very good.

With no further business, Parkin moved to adjourn at 6:56 p.m. Stover seconded the motion. All voted in favor and motion passes.

Deanna Dement, City Clerk

Dale Fox, Mayor