Regular Meeting of Lake Preston City Council Monday November 6th, 2023

A regular meeting of the Lake Preston City Council was held at the City Hall on Monday November 6th, 2023 at 7pm. Present were: Mayor Andy Wienk, John McMasters, Donna Bumann, Jodi Hope, Allen Wilde, Jeremy Woodcock, Rick Olson. Also, present Brenda Klug, Brian Zeeck, Doug Bumann, Brandon Begnaud, Cedric Hays from Banner Associates.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Wienk at 7:00 pm.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Hope to approve the agenda with 2 additions- Kingbrook water increase and 2024 softball coach under new business; and remove phase 2 pay request #7. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Woodcock, seconded by Wilde to approve Halmes pay request #16 for \$303,707.50. All in favor, motion carried.

Hay discussed the punch list/cleanup items that they have submitted to Halme. The concrete crew has been working on the sidewalks and driveway entries diligently.

Motion by Woodcock, seconded by McMasters to approve Rounds change order #4 for \$56,497.00. Olson abstained. All in favor, motion carried.

Klug and council discussed the public hearing that needs to be set with 1st District and Banner—December 4th. Hay gave a brief update on the water tower bidding and the TAP grant.

Hay addressed several questions that have coming from the community, when is asphalt going to be done? What about our driveway entry? Hay discussed the warranty period, if anything is chipped or damaged through this winter. Bowes is contacting another asphalt company out of Huron, there is the possibility of them not getting the 2nd layer of asphalt done. All homeowners however would be able to access driveways and roads. Per a Facebook comment, if the asphalt does not get finished it will be very hard for the snow removal crew.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by Hope to approve October 10th regular meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

Bumann inquired about an ordinance to have trash cans be pulled up to the houses after a snow fall for plowing purposes.

Zeeck stated that MC&R pool had come to get the pool winterized. Midco diving cleaned our water tower, they were very surprised how clean it was. City Hall boiler was discussed and the garage roof damage also. The empty lot by the café was discussed, looks nice cleaned out- council discussed plans for the lot.

Klug stated that she had submitted documents for the West Nile grant for reimbursement. The rubble sites last day will be November 11th and the city paid our first interest payment for our phase 1 loan.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by McMasters to approve the following claims as presented: All in favor, motion carried.

A&B Business \$75.99, printer contract; Amazon \$308.24, lib. books & dvds; Avera \$635.01, health ins.; Chippewa Co Clerk of Courts \$25.00, Calvin Staricha; Connecting Point \$198.16, security renewal etc.; Cooks \$2,723.14, city trash; Corporate Trust, TFM \$28,596.36, phase 1 interest; DOR \$276.11, taxes; ELO \$4,250.00, 2022 audit; Foley & Foley Law Office \$150.00, December; Good Housekeeping \$34.97, mag. sub.; Henry Schein \$586.38, amb. supplies;

Kingbrook \$6,490.35, purchased water; Kingsbury Co Clerk of Courts \$102.88, small claims; Kingsbury Co. \$2,080.00, contract law; Kingsbury Journal \$133.22, publishing; LP Auto \$850.00, stump grinding; M&T Fire & Safety \$8,528.29, PPE; , Maynard's \$3.90, supplies; Minnehaha Co Clerk of Court \$37.22, small claims; Northwestern Energy \$171.24, natural gas; O'Keefes \$3,726.00, damaged lease tractor; Office Peeps \$76.72, supplies; Ottertail \$1,962.86, electric; PAP \$1,845.43, city, Public Heath Lab \$15.00, water samples; Sanitation Products, Inc. \$381.60, street sweeper; SDARWA \$445.00, annual dues; SDMLWCF \$5,456.00, 2024 renewal; Transource \$153.16, mud flaps payloader; Vallery Fibercom \$217.65, phones/internet; Woman's World \$24.97, ma. Sub.; Amazon \$635.61, magnetic locator/FO supplies; Execubanc \$54.00, bank fees; Unemployment \$261.47,3rd quarter; USPS \$432.13, sept. & Oct. Water bills; Voiceshot \$40.00, messages/texting service.

Motion by Woodcook, seconded by Olson to approve the September & October financial reports. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Woodcock to approve the purchase of mosquito sprayer from Van Diest for \$15,650, using part of contingency in the 2024 budget. All in favor, motion carried.

Council discussed ordinance 460-23, what a "petty offence" is when not clearing off snow on sidewalks. Motion by Bumann, seconded by McMasters to approve ordinance 460-23 with an addition of adding a warning first then a second offense it will be a \$100 fine. Roll call vote. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Woodcock, seconded by Hope to increase water rates by .10 cents per 1000 gallons due to Kingbrook Rural Waters .10 cent increase-starting in 2024. All in favor, motion carried.

Bumann inquired about documentation to prove that the American Legion have been open for the 70 days in a 2-year period.

Motion by Wilde, seconded by McMasters to approve the New Horizon On-Sale liquor license. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Wilde, seconded by McMasters to approve the New Horizon Retail Off-Sale Package liquor license. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Wilde to approve the Other Bar Retail On-Sale liquor license. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Olson, seconded by McMasters to approve the Other Bar Off-Sale Package liquor license. All in favor, motion carried.

Bumann stated that she is not in favor of renewing the American Legions license, the license can be utilized and bring in more revenue elsewhere. Council discussed that the Legion can apply for special event licenses, in which nothing would change, they can continue to sell alcohol. Motion by Wilde. Klug received a phone call, which indicated residents were coming down to the meeting.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by Hope to approve the pool repairs from MC&R Pool for \$10,990. All in favor, motion carried.

The skid steer warranty was not worth the discussion.

Our Ottertail Street light contract was discussed, after all the street lights are converted to LED- we must hire an electrician to fix the street lights. After a long discussion it was decided that Wienk would reach out with a few questions from the council.

Wienk stated that he had a resident behind the church inquire about his property flooding.

Council continued their conversation about the American Legion Liquor license, Bumann stated that she could not see how they were open for 60 days in the last 2 years. After a lot of discussion. Motion by McMasters, seconded by Olson to table the license until the next meeting to get a few questions answered. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Woodcock to go into executive at 8:27 pm for legal.

Council came out of executive session at 9:00 pm.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Woodcock higher Mike Jenkins wage from \$13.50 to \$16 per hour. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Hope to hire Amber Nelson as the 2024 softball coach. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by McMasters to approve paying for ½ of the asphalt, material cost only. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Andy Wienk declared the meeting adjourned at 9:01 pm.	
Brenda Klug, Finance Officer	Andy Wienk, Mayor
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