

Bellechester City Council

April 12, 2016

Board of Equalization Meeting was called to order by Mayor Keegan Quinn at 5:05 p.m. The council in attendance: Mayor Keegan Quinn, Council people, Paul Reding, Rich Majerus and Kim Gilsdorf. Also in attendance was Clerk Lisa Redepinning and Rich Arendt and Rich Heppelman.

Representatives from Goodhue County & Wabasha were here to discuss taxes. Wabasha County values have not changed. Goodhue County has seen an increase in sales and have adjusted structures as a result. Rich inquired if we had a loss in taxes. Legion now is city owned so that has changed. Rich Arendt inquired about homestead exclusion and what it is. Correction statements had to be issued because the homestead exclusion was missing, so it was resent with correction. Wabasha County representatives handed out an explanation of the assessor's job requirements and what the duties are.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Keegan Quinn at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge to the flag.

Roll call was taken: The council in attendance: Mayor Keegan Quinn, Council people Kim Gilsdorf, Rich Majerus, and Paul Reding as well as clerk Lisa Redepinning, Kyle McKeown and Dan Howard. Also present was John Huneke, Rich Heppelman & Ray Allen and Matt from WSP (Rochester).

Minutes of March, 2016 meeting were approved as written and a motion was made by Kim Gilsdorf with a second by Rich Majerus to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Bills were reviewed and a motion by Rich Majerus with a second by Paul Reding to approve and pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

Public Forum – John Huneke – Re-roof building permit - Motion was made by Kim Gilsdorf to approve permit for roof for barn with a 2nd by Paul Reding. Motion carried.
Garbage pickup – will contact Countrywide disposal

New business:

Repair of Streets – review & discuss- - Sand and Gravel will not be here. Matt WSP from Rochester was in attendance and recommended that core samples should be taken to see what we are doing with in order to recommend a solution. The samples will take only one day. Great Western Ave, 2nd Street, Red Wing Avenue, and possibly 4th street could be milled and resurfaced. Union, 2nd Street and Adams are the worst streets. Discussion was made about drain tile down Adam, but if we did only 1 side, it could cause problems. It was suggested to do both sides to help with water issues. Core samples will only go as deep as needed to get the best sampling. Matt presented a map of how many places they will be sampling around town and discussed the priority of keeping traffic interruptions to a minimum. If they find that they need to do some more sampling, it can be added while they are here. A report from the core samples will be available later this month. \$2960 is the cost of the core sampling with reports. Motion was made by to Rich Majerus to have WSP to give us core Samples with a 2nd by Kim Gilsdorf. Motion carried.

Accept resignation of Clerk – discuss job opening and requirements – Application with resume will be required. Posting will be done immediately. Ads will be done on the TV and the newspapers – Zumbrota and Lake City papers. Applications and information are available from council members and will be accepted until May 4th.

Old Business:

Dog Bite Ordinance – discuss – Tabled until June.

Clerk Report - Utility Billing Quarterly Mailings were sent; Water Grant – I signed and return the amended amount to now be \$10,000; Garbage bill – FYI – our March bill was \$1137.44 and our total income was \$1119.06; 1st Quarter Sales Tax and Withholding – paid today; Liquor License applications – were sent. They need to be approved and sent to state prior to 6/30 – that is when they will expire; Final paycheck – I will be cutting a final check for April hours to be approved at meeting. It will be sent on Tuesday as I will be doing more City stuff this week-end. I added half a month of rental and internet for April to March check; Licenses - Insurance renewals were done, remaining dog license followups were sent, liquor licenses renewal applications were sent.

Treasurer Report – report will be sent Wednesday.

Water/Wastewater/Facility Report – Dan is in his 2nd discharge. Cory and Melroy are set up for mowing and minor repair needs to be done on the truck.

Council Concerns: Paul inquired about grant for streets if there was any available. Also a complaint about junk in the yards. Rich Heppelman indicated 4 additional yards that need addressing also. Will be discussed further at next meeting.

Mayor Concerns: None

Motion was made by Paul Reding with a second by Kim Gilsdorf to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Submitted by Lisa Redepenning – City Clerk

Notices

Recycling - Please recycle whenever you can. There is a recycling bin located on the north end of town by GB Feed and Supply. By recycling, this will keep our garbage rates from rising.