

# **Bellechester City Council Meeting Minutes**

## **March 15, 2023 @ 6:00PM**

Regular City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Jody Gordon at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge to the flag.

Roll call was taken: The council in attendance: Mayor Jody Gordon, Council people Rich Majerus, Kyle Blattner, Mark Gerken, Jered Buxengard as well as City Clerk Lisa Redepenny, treasurer Kyle McKeown and City Engineer Matt Mohs.

Minutes of February, 2023 meeting were reviewed and motion was made by Rich Majerus with a second by Jered Buxengard to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

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

### **Old Business:**

- Sewer Grant – update progress – MPCA request an INI plan for renewal of our permit. Matt will provide this information to them. Easements – a couple of easements are still outstanding and we need them done before construction can start. We have 3 left to do hopefully will be done in the next few weeks. Motion was made by Mark Gerken with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jered Buxengard to pay both Wabasha County and Goodhue County to record all easements. Motion carried. Water meter inspections are continuing with a few remaining.
- Water Meter Ordinance Discussion – Wording from the Lake City ordinance will be modified for us for discussion at next meeting.
- Final Decision on population sign layout. Council decided on the larger of the 2 signs.

### **New business:**

- Summer Mowing – 2022 mowing personnel will continue for 2023.
- Building Permit – Brian Ringeisen – Changes to original building permit request was discussed. Motion was made by Rich Majerus with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark Gerken to approve the building permit as submitted with changes outlined. Motion carried.
- Clearing snow out of water way behind 2<sup>nd</sup> Street – One path of clearing will need to be done to prevent issues.
- Approval of Bellechester MICRO Loan – Motion was made by Rich Majerus with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kyle Blattner to approve all 2023.03 and micro loans as submitted. Motion carried.
- Resolution 2023.03 – Reimbursement Bond Resolution – see above.

**Engineer Report** – Nothing more.

**Clerk Report - Purchases** – I purchased file folder and 500 envelopes – FYI. Sample Water Meter Ordinances –came from MN Rural Water Website, City of Oakdale & Lake City – FYI. Board of Equalization Meeting notices and meeting date change – will be in Quarterly billing

letter, are on TV, in Messenger, website and posted at Bank. Ringeisen Revised Building Permit – FYI - he will not be adding an addition to the garage as it stated in the original application, only the carport. Resolution 2023.03 – I am getting a good description from Matt as well as confirming what amount I need to put in before printing. 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Utility Billing – will be mailed the last week of March – FYI.

**Treasurer Report** – Disconnect letters will be included in quarterly billing.

**Water/Wastewater/Facility Report** – Discharge will need to be done, hopefully we can hold off until April, but snow melt is affecting it. Extra sampling is needed for the MPCA permit.

**Mayor Concerns: None**

**Council Concerns:** Aluminum can donation was received, as well as fire association truck purchase contribution by Bellechester discussion.

## **Adjourn**

Motion was made by Kyle Blattner with a second by Rich Majerus to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 6:55.

Submitted by Lisa Redepening – City Clerk