

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

CITY OF JANESVILLE, WASECA COUNTY, MINNESOTA

OCTOBER 26, 2015 CITY HALL 7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Janesville City Council met in regular session pursuant to due call and notice thereof; Mike Santo called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Council present: Mike Santo, Mayor
Cliff Blaisdell, Council Member
Kari Grisim, Council Member
Council Absent: Jeff Bartelt, Council Member
John Sprengeler, Council Member
Staff Present: Clinton Rogers, City Administrator
Andrea Moen, Deputy Clerk
Tom Ewert, Public Works Director

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City Council and everyone present stood and recited the pledge of allegiance.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Blaisdell, seconded by Grisim to approve the agenda. Voting in favor: Grisim, Blaisdell, and Santo; voting against: none; absent: Bartelt and Sprengeler. Motion carried.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes of last Regular Meeting on October 13, 2015
2. Accept Accounts Receivable
3. Audit City Bills for Payment
4. PRGC Financials

Motion by Grisim, seconded by Blaisdell to approve the consent agenda. Voting in favor: Grisim, Blaisdell, and Santo; voting against: none; absent: Bartelt and Sprengeler. Motion carried.

V. PUBLIC FORUM

VI. NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

VII. COUNCIL REPORTS

Blaisdell stated the EDA board discussed the foreclosures in town along with what the funding from the EDA levy will go towards such as blighted properties.

VIII. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

Rogers gave his reports:

- Quarter 3 payroll update
- The allotted rebate money for the year is all gone
- Rate study meeting soon with Council and Utility boards

IX. OLD BUSINESS

1. Snow Removal Policy
 - A. Resolution 2015-31

Rogers stated this is our annual policy we approve each year with priority routes. There are no changes other than liability issues with mailboxes. Santo questioned if we need to do this every year. Rogers explained wasn't sure but will look into it; in the past we do this in case anything comes up from prior year that needs to be addressed. Ewert added it might be better to do this after snow season while fresh in memory of issues that occurred.

Motion by Blaisdell, seconded by Grisim to approve Resolution 2015-31. Voting in favor: Grisim, Blaisdell, and Santo; voting against: none; absent: Bartelt and Sprengeler. Motion carried.

2. Public Nuisance Special Assessments
 - A. Resolution 2015-32

Rogers stated these properties were mowed throughout the year with invoices mailed and never receiving payment; therefore, assessing these charges to the tax roll.

Motion by Blaisdell, seconded by Grisim to approve Resolution 2015-32. Voting in favor: Grisim, Blaisdell, and Santo; voting against: none; absent: Bartelt and Sprengeler. Motion carried.

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. Tax Forfeited Property

Rogers stated a letter from County dated October 7th lists five properties in town at stage 6 of the forfeited process the State goes through. The city can choose three different options with these properties – use of public purpose, public auction, or auction to adjacent property owner. Council feels majority will be offered to adjacent property owners with the lot attached to designated park area in Oakwood be considered for a larger park area.

Rogers added he will have a resolution put together for these properties before December's meeting when they will have to vote on these.

2. Cemetery Donation – Create Fund 216
A. Resolution 2015-33

Rogers stated we have received two donations for the Cemetery - one in 2012 and the other 2015 totaling \$85,000.00. Would like to create fund 216 to track this money since majority is only to be used for maintenance and current buildings. He also added the records could use some updating since Rotary did it a few years back. However, this needs a 4-5 majority vote. This was tabled to next meeting because not enough for majority vote.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Blaisdell made motion to adjourn, seconded by Grisim at 7:30pm. Voting in favor: Grisim, Blaisdell, and Santo; voting against: none; absent: Bartelt and Sprengeler. Motion carried.

Respectively signed by

/s/Andrea Moen Date 11/09/15

Andrea Moen
Deputy Clerk
City of Janesville