

City of Cleveland
Minutes
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, July 1, 2024 @ 5:30 p.m.
205 4th Street, Cleveland, MN 56017

The regular meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Don McCabe, Council Members present: Tonya Schummer, Mark Hintgen, Anne Hiller and Sarah McCabe. City Staff present: City Clerk-Treasurer Charles Hodge, Public Works Director Casey Volk, Head Bartender Julie O'Malley, Police Chief Randy Tiegs, Fire Chief Brady Hahn, and County Commissioner Steven Rohlfig

Approval of Agenda – A Motion was made by Schummer and second by S. McCabe to approve the agenda.
Voting: Yes - All

Approval of Minutes & Bills – A Motion was made by S. McCabe and second by Schummer to approve the minutes and bills. Voting: Yes – All

Brady Hahn – Cleveland Fire Department received a grant from the Carl and Verna Schmidt Foundation for \$15,000.00 to purchase equipment. They also received other donations as well for equipment. Chief Hahn said that he is using those funds to purchase a new UTV, a bigger trailer to haul it around, along with a few accessories. Hahn asked council permission to sell the old UTV, trailer and possibly the tank that is in the side by side. He said that after everything is sold that it should be a wash. A Motion was made by S. McCabe and second by Schummer to sell the old UTV, the trailer that goes with it and the tank. Voting: Yes – All.

Public Comment: - No Comments

Reports:

Police Report – Chief Tiegs' reported Cherry Creek went well without any issues. He mentioned the Personnel Committee and himself interviewed a potential candidate for a full time police officer (Chase Koeger). The Chief said that he has passed the background check. A Motion was made by Schummer and second by Hintgen to approve full time officer to start July 14th. Voting: Yes – All

Tiegs also would like to increase the part time officer wage (\$26.00) to start at the same rate as the full time officer wage (\$31.50). Tiegs explained that the part time officer has the same duties as the full time officer. The part time officer would fill in when he goes on PTO/Vacation. A Motion was by Schummer and second by Hintgen to increase the part time officer pay from \$26.00 to \$31.50. Voting: Yes - All

Chief Tiegs is part of the Emergency Management Team and due water flow and the pumps working 24 7 due to all the rain he had Mark Hintgen (Acting Mayor) declare a State of Emergency. Tiegs suggested to extend the emergency for another 90 days in the event of something happens to the pumps down the road and we could get FEMA assistance. A Motion was made by S. McCabe and second by Schummer to extend the State of Emergency for 90 days. Voting: Yes – All

Cleveland Police Department and State Farm in Le Center have collaborated to have a 55 Arive Alive class. This class is for those who are 55 and over to help lower their car insurance. The class would be held a Cleveland City Hall.

Public Works Report – Volk reported that he is still waiting on the second quote for the pond valve that is leaking. He said the water tower had its regular maintenance check by KLM Engineer. Volk said over all everything looks good. He noted the next inspection is in 2027.

He reported the City had a surprise inspection by the DNR at the compost site. The inspector said that is looks okay. He noticed that Volk had made some positive changes to the compost site. He also mentioned that the Lead Copper Rule is going good.

Liquor Report – O'Malley reported that there is Karaoke this Saturday, July 6th. There are two motorcycle groups coming into town on Saturday, July 13th that both have between 80 – 100 riders. The back of the muni will be closed

for motorcycle parking during the day. She is starting to work on the Eric Koskinen Concert, which will be on Friday, August 9th. Anne Hiller representing the Cherry Creek Committee said that she has been coordinating with O'Malley to have fireworks that were supposed to happen during Cherry Creek Days but cancelled due to weather.

Building Official Report – We had permits for the following: a deck, a driveway, two for fences, a reroof and for foundation repair.

P&Z Report – No Report

EDA Report – EDA will meet on Monday, July 29, 2024

Personnel Committee Report – Reported that City staff job performance reviews will be in August. They will be mailing out the forms to staff in July.

Clerk Report – City Clerk Hodge reported that he received information from Le Sueur County regarding the bridge (located by Cherry Creek) project. Hodge said he would be contacting Dave Tiegs to schedule an appointment to meet. He also reported that the “FEMA Project” that he was working on is done and submitted to the MN DNR on July 1st to review to make sure everything has been done before they send it to FEMA. Hodge reminded Council that there is Bond Workshop on Tuesday, July 16th at 5:30 p.m.

New Business:

Resolution 17-2024 – A Motion was made by S. McCabe and second by Schummer to accept the donations to the City. Voting: Yes - All

Potential Residential Water Shut-off for Non-Payment – City Clerk Hodge informed Council that there are three households that are three months (90 days) behind on their utility payment. A Motion was made by Schummer and second by Hiller to approve the shut-off of water due to non-payment on July 17, 2024. Voting: Yes – All

*County Commissioner Rohlifing reported that next Monday, July 8th at 9:00 a.m. the County will have their final hearing approving the new floodplain maps. They will be starting to seal coat County Rd. 18 the week of July 8th.

A Motion was made to adjourn at 6:31 p.m. by Schummer and second by Hiller. Voting: Yes – All

Don McCabe, Mayor

Charles Hodge, City Clerk-Treasurer