

City of Skyline

City Council Meeting Minutes

August 12th, 2024 / 6:45 PM / Skyline City Hall

COUNCIL ATTENDEES: Mayor Paige Attarian, Lon Whitehead, Eric Manske, Shirley Piepho

Guests: Janet Nelson(Cooperative), Nancy Kluck, Don Waylett, Jennifer Wettergren, Marilyn Schueneman

Via Google Meet: Charlie Berg

Agenda:

- ❑ Meeting called to order by Mayor Attarian at 6:45 pm
- ❑ Pledge of Allegiance performed by all in attendance.
- ❑ Public Forum-Margaret Rengstorf states that thistles are taking over near S. Skyline Drive. She consulted a friend that formerly owned a tree service and he states that the only way to get rid of them is to spray it and kill everything, including perennial gardens. He suggests that it may take multiple treatments to wipe them out. Janet states that the Cooperative has received complaints about that property and 27 other properties that are not in compliance with yard and yard compliance Article 13.7-9. She states that these individuals will be notified by letter about their non-compliance. They will have 30 days to become compliant. If not, the Cooperative will hire the work to be done and the resident will be responsible for paying the bill. Janet Nelson states that the deer population has become overwhelming. She is requesting that the City of Skyline inquire with Blue Earth County/DNR to conduct a controlled hunt.
- ❑ Pump House Project Update-Electronics are in and they are currently programming the controls. They have asked for a one month extension for the project. Marilyn Schueneman asked why the water tower is gushing water from the bottom of the water tower. Mayor Attarian explained that the tower is overflowing, but will be managed when the water conservation procedures are in place.
- ❑ Monopole/Water Tower Project Update-AT&T has not completed their permanent placement of equipment yet, but they have communicated that the work will be completed.
- ❑ Skyline Cooperative-Janet states that 11 residents has still not paid their Cooperative dues. Their water will be turned off if there is no response to the third letter. The newsletter will be going out to residents next week. The Night to Unite was a success and she thanked Shirley for her efforts. Shirley in turn thanked all who assisted. The Cooperative is working on getting a packet together for new residents. Jennifer Wettergren is helping to put a packet together for new residents. Jennifer asked if the City of Skyline would like to be involved in this process.

- ❑ Approve Agenda and Minutes-Shirley motioned to approve the August Agenda and the July Meeting minutes, Eric seconded. Passed unanimously.
- ❑ City Clerk Report-Election Updates. Armstrong Quartet is offering to play a free concert in Skyline. Key box for hall access.
- ❑ City Treasurer Report-Lon gave everyone a copy of the July Treasurer's Report total receipts for July were \$68,352.02 and total payables were \$29,306.62. Total Fund balances are \$1,014,391.33. Balance of funds for the water tower/pump house project is \$429,371.11. Lon stated that the annual audit was completed, the information has been added to the website. Shirley motioned to pay WEB construction \$283,742.99, Eric seconded. Passed unanimously. Shirley motioned to approve the treasurer's report and to pay the bills, Eric seconded. Passed unanimously.
- ❑ Water and garbage bill list-Marnie will send letters to accounts over 90 days.

Departmental Reports

- ❑ Water Department-Steve is absent. Eric motioned to approve #3 change order for WEB construction, Shirley seconded. Passed unanimously.
- ❑ Street Department-Eric states that AmLawn took care of the weeds around the water tower site. He will continue to work with them and is working on getting #5 rocks brought in for the service road to the water tower. Eric states that they have to run CAT5 to the pumphouse so he will communicate with them to get the project completed.
- ❑ Parks and Playground Department-Michelle is absent.
- ❑ Public Safety-The emergency siren did not go off during the last storm. Adam Green evaluated and found a blown fuse. The amperage is not correct, they will continue to work on resolving the issue. The unit is on battery back up at this time.

Old Business:

-Tree, shrub, perennial restoration for easement participants. Mayor Attarian provided the documents that the city attorney drew up to easement participants that were present. She will deliver the same documents to the other two easement participants.

New Business:

Mayor Attarian requested a motion to adjourn the meeting at, Eric motioned to adjourn the meeting at, seconded by Shirley. Passed unanimously.