Mayor Pat Hermsen opened the Public Hearing at 5:30pm. Present were council members: Diane Knepper, Jim Naber, and Ken Meyer, Mike Leuchs, Roger Langel at 6:00pm.

Meyer made the motion to approve the agenda for March 7, 2017 seconded by Naber.

The clerk reported that there were no comments written or verbal regarding the budget and Budget amendment. Motion from Meyer to close public hearing and open regular meeting, seconded by Knepper. Ayes-all.

Meyer made the motion to approve the consent agenda, bills, receipts, financial reports, Seconded by Leuchs.

Martin Gardner Architecture gave a presentation on their services they would offer, Brian Stark and Josh Demmer went over the process for the new fire station, community room and city hall with the council. A question and answer session followed, Meyer made the motion to start the initial design phase, second by Naber. Ayes-all.

Resolution #6-2017 approving the budget for FY-18 was made on a motion from Knepper, seconded by Naber. Ayes-all.

Resolution #7-2017 the Approval of easement for storm sewer right of way was made on a motion from Naber, seconded by Leuchs. Ayes-all.

Report from water and sewer, Mike Neuhaus informed the council that we need to look into getting the chemicals aerated at the sewer plant. Mike has looked into a few options. The generator was also discussed as it has not been working well. The council will continue to monitor these two areas as we have issues.

Liquor license for New Vienna picnic association was approved on a motion from Leuchs, seconded by Meyer. Ayes-all.

Building Permit for New Vienna Athletic Association for a portable building to house equipment was approved on a motion from Leuchs, second by Naber. Ayes-all. The city will need to purchase more concrete blocks to fill in where the old bathroom was to finish the wall.

A local business has approached the City to do their snow removal; the council felt this was something that the City would not be involved in.

Delinquent utility accounts were discussed again and the consensus of the council was to send out notices and shut off if these accounts were not taken care of. The council stated that all cost associated with this would be assessed the property owner. The clerk informed the council that there are 5-7 accounts that are very large and need to be looked into.

The Mayor stated that the city would be looking at burning the grass land along creek bottom so we can see what is there and to keep it mowed this summer. He has spoken to the Fire Chief about this. Police Chief Mark Blatz was present to go over his yearly report and to answer questions from the council. The topics of blocking alleys, unlicensed vehicles, and the complaints the council has received were discussed.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned on a motion from Naber, second by Knepper at 8:36pm.

Submitted by Angie Oberbroeckling, City Clerk