

Mayor Hovel called the regular council meeting to order at 6 p.m., September 5, 2017, at City Hall. Council members present were Foertsch, Bladow, Bommersbach, Wieser, Puetz and Veit.

Mayor Hovel appointed Joel Bladow to the city council to fill Dwight Boucher's position due to his resignation from the council.

Mayor Hovel administered the Oath of Office to council member Bladow. Bladow was assigned to Finance and Appropriations, Human Resources, Board of Health Committee and Water, Sewer, Streets & Lighting Committee. He was also appointed to Brightwood Township Zoning Board.

Motion by Wieser/Bommersbach to approve August 7, 2017, regular council minutes. Carried.

Motion by Bommersbach/Veit to approve municipal judge's report. Carried.

Motion by Puetz/Foertsch to approve purchase of handicap portable ramp, a platform and electronics for automatic door opener for the Community Center not to exceed \$5,000.00. Carried.

Kent Thoreson of Interstate Engineering, Inc. gave updates on Sanitary Sewer, Water and Street District No. 2017-01 (Prairie Pines Addition).

Motion by Veit/Bommersbach to approve change order for extending water and services to above ground in the amount of \$2,838.00 for Sanitary Sewer, Water and Street District No. 2017-01 (Prairie Pines Addition). Carried.

Motion by Bladow/Puetz to approve pay estimate no. 1 to Quam Construction \$233,479.00 for work completed on Sanitary Sewer, Water and Street Improvement District No. 2017-01 project (Prairie Pines Addition). Roll call vote Veit, Puetz, Wieser, Bommersbach, Bladow and Foertsch all yes, none no. Carried.

Council member Veit offered Resolution 17-16 Authorizing Issuance of Definitive Improvement Warrant, Series 2017 Prairies Pines Addition Sanitary Sewer, Water and Street Improvement 2017-1. Second by Wieser. Carried.

Motion by Puetz/Bommersbach for Mayor and Auditor to sign Closing Certificate for \$1,300,00.00 Sanitary Sewer, Water and Street Improvement District No. 2017-01 (Prairie Pines Addition) Definitive Improvement Warrant Series 2017. Carried.

Motion by Foertsch/Bladow to have JBX Excavating haul in and level 8 loads of fill dirt on 5th St SE & 7th Ave SE. Carried.

Motion by Bommersbach/Wieser to authorize the expense of \$2,400.00 to Sweeney Controls to update and put apps on cell phones to control ethanol well alarms. Carried.

Motion by Foertsch/Wieser to approve city auditor's financial report. Carried.

Motion by Puetz/Bommersbach to approve bills as presented. Carried.

Motion by Puetz/Bladow to approve consent agenda as follows: building permits for Norman & Lois Wirtz, Marne Schildberger, Hankinson Housing Authority, Renee Bladow, Lucille Bladow, Jeremy & Diana Heins, Justin & Jolene O'Hara, Shawn & Beverly Bladow and Curtis & Lillian Bertelsen; gaming permit for Richland County Wildlife Club, Rick Riemann Cancer Benefit, Hankinson Athletic Department, Hankinson Volunteer Fire Department and Hankinson Community Betterment Club; transfer \$15,075.41 from 225 City Sales Tax Fund to 535 Community Center Operations. Carried.

Motion by council member Bommersbach to nominate and cast unanimous ballot to elect council member Veit to Vice President of the city council. Second by Puetz. Carried.

Motion by Veit/Foerstch to approve Gary Nelson's resignation as city auditor due to retirement effective September 30, 2017. Carried.

Mayor Hovel appointed Melissa Brown as city auditor effective October 1, 2017.

Mayor Hovel appointed Melissa Brown as city assessor.

Council reviewed community center/deputy auditor applications.

Council set budget hearing for September 20, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at city hall.

Motion by Bommersbach/Wieser to adjourn at 9:30 p.m. Carried.

Next regular council meeting will be held Monday, October 2, 2017.

Loren Hovel, Mayor

Gary L. Nelson, City Auditor

Minutes subject to council approval.