

## LEWISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE August 22, 2017

The Lewistown City Council met in regular session in the council chambers. Mayor Elmer Littlefield called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL: PRESENT:** Aldermen Clark, Kelley, Weese, Hough, Burget, Spotloe and Mayor Littlefield. Also present: Wendy Martin from the Fulton Democrat, Larry Eskridge from Canton Daily Ledger, City Treasurer Debbie Brown, City Administrator Amanda Woodruff, City Clerk Cindy Goddard, Gary Shawgo Public Works Director, and Keith Plavec, city engineer, also Doug Tindall, and Kim Pascal.

**DECLARATION OF QUORUM** by Mayor Littlefield

**CLERKS REPORT/MINUTES:** Cindy Goddard.

Alderman Weese made a motion to approve the minutes of August 8, 2017, second by Alderman Clark roll call vote, the motion carried, and all ayes.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Debbie Brown. Debbie has nothing new to report. Aldermen have treasurer's report. Alderman Clark made a motion to approve the treasurer's report; second by Alderman Hough roll call vote, motion carried all ayes.

### **BILLS:**

Alderman Burget made a motion to approve all bills properly endorsed; seconded by Alderman Spotloe roll call vote, the motion carried with all ayes.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PETITIONS:**

- A. Doug Tindall regarding water leak repairs. The residence is on a service line, he believes, shut off is about 150 feet from property line. Mr. Tindall read the ordinance that pertained to this leak repair. He stated in addition this water line is on city property (street that is a dead end street); water leak was caused by the tree in the street that is the city property. He maintained the street for 14 years while living there. Mayor said Gary Shawgo called him regarding this matter. Leak was about 75 feet from the main. Shut off valve is close to the main. Alderman Burget suggested that the city attorney make the decision based on the ordinance. The cost of the repair per Mr. Tindall was \$260.00. Table at this time, put on new business at next meeting.
- B. Kim Pascal wanted to thank everyone for the new sidewalk she is very pleased.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT:** Attorney Nathan Collins. No attorney present.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:** Keith Plavec. Nothing at this time.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance – Alderman Clark: ICRMT Renewal – applications for work comp insurance, and property including wells and vehicles. The rates are going up next year. Amanda Woodruff was wondering if should be put out for bids. Cost last year was \$98,000.00, got \$9,000.00 back. The city presently has Snedeker Risk Management. Councilmen will vote on whether to put out bids when estimate is received from Snedeker's.

Alderman Spotloe left meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Sewer – Alderman Burget: Gears need repaired; they have been welded once already not matching correctly at Waste Water Plant. Gary Shawgo to get estimate for repair.

Street & Alley – Alderman Hough: Working on sidewalks, next is sidewalk by Larry Ward's house, and South Adams. Then streets will be getting chipped and seal coat, in September. Another issue to be addressed is on West Washington Street a water issue where culvert is not working correctly.

Police/ESDA – Alderman Spotloe: Nothing to report.

Water – Alderman Weese: Nothing to report.

Utilities/Publications – Alderman Kelley: Nothing to report.

Buildings and Grounds – Alderman Kelley: Nothing to report.

Tourism – Mayor Littlefield: Nothing to report.

## OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Vote to assist Prairie View Care Center with gravel drive that runs from Sycamore to South Illinois Street. Gary Shawgo went and looked at it, stated it is very bad but the city does not have equipment to fix it properly. Mayor said it is private property and the manager needs to take care of talking to the owner regarding the street. Alderman Burget said it is a business we should support them. The mayor said the police cars and rescue squad should just go in front of the business not the back since the street needs fixed. The city can not legally repair the street.

## NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Vote to donate Tourism money to Oktoberfest scheduled for October 21<sup>st</sup>. The October Fest is going to be the Fulton County Fair grounds instead of around the square this time. Mayor said \$1,000.00 was suggested to be donated. Alderman

Burget made a motion for \$1,500.00 be donated out of the Tourism fund for the Oktoberfest scheduled for October 21, 2017, seconded by Alderman Kelley, roll call vote, motion carried all ayes.

- B. Vote to purchase Trash Pumps for Waste Water Treatment Plant – Gary presented 2 bids, he would like the Honda motor pump, he heard it was the best. Alderman Burget made a motion to purchase 2 (two) trash pumps with Honda motors for \$1,424.05 each for the Waste Water Treatment Plant, seconded by Alderman Clark, roll call vote, motion carried all ayes.
- C. Approve Supplemental Motor Fuel Tax Resolution in order to pay final payment on IDOT Agreement for Improvements on North Main Street. A supplemental resolution needed in the amount of \$954.38 because it was short this amount for the payment on IDOT Agreement. Alderman Burget made a motion to approve Supplemental Motor Fuel Tax Resolution in order to pay final payment on IDOT Agreement in the amount of \$954.38, seconded by Alderman Hough, roll call vote, motion carried all ayes.
- D. Discuss Water Rate increase per 1,000 gallons after 30,000 gallon usage. 30,000 gallons would not affect residential customers. Spread sheet presented to councilmen for them to look at. The money is used for repair of water tower, pumps (only one pump is running at fair grounds to pump water to tower) and the cost of another new well for water. Mayor suggested increase of \$1.50 per 1,000 gallons after 30,000 gallon usage. Table at this time to see more numbers next meeting. WRC has some grants we can apply for. Amanda to look for previous EPA reports that state that the city needs another pump, need documentation of health and safety issues to qualify for grant.

Alderman Spotloe returned to meeting at 7:19 p.m.

Alderman Hough said that Gary Shawgo needs a lap top computer for his truck. It was stated that Verizon has a good internet connection program. Amanda getting quotes for lap top and internet connection program.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

Alderman Spotloe made a motion to adjourn at 7:41 p.m.; Seconded by Alderman Burget motion carried all ayes.

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Cindy Goddard, City Clerk