

City of Powers Lake
Regular Meeting
Unapproved Proceedings

The Powers Lake City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, May 9, 2018 at 8:00 am. Council members present were: Ledene, Griesbach, Hockenbary and Carlson. Also present were Kenny MacDonald, Chief Lerol, Daniel Swenson – Ackerman-Estvold, Randy Mehlhoff, Lynette Nelson, Sheriff Grohns and the auditor.

Mayor Albertson called the meeting to order.

A thank-you card from Celeste Moody was read.

Lynette Nelson, candidate for Burke County Recorder introduced herself to the council. Nelson left the meeting.

Sheriff Grohns addressed the council regarding sheriff office coverage when Chief Lerol was not on duty. Grohns left the meeting.

Audrey Thorlaksen entered the meeting. She requested a load of gravel to replace between the walking path and the sidewalk as it was removed during construction of the path. Thorlaksen brought a request from the American Legion Auxiliary, that the council determined the location of the new display cases. Motion by Griesbach, seconded by Ledene that the new display cases be downstairs along the north wall. Motion carried. Thorlaksen left the meeting.

Swenson gave the engineering report. Albertson will check with Sign D'zyn for a Lots For Sale sign for Hegstad Subdivision.

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Hockenbary to approve the April minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hockenbary, seconded by Griesbach to approve financial report. Motion carried.

Landfill/Bldg Permits: NW Vet clinic building permit was approved. Hockenbary will contact Trujillo's regarding their fence building permit. Discussion was held on a curbside cleanup day/week.

Streets: The spill on 1st Ave W has been cleaned-up by Esterholm Construction and clean-up disposal was donated by Liberty Resources. Lerol and Mehlhoff will put down temporary angle parking lines on Main Street. Albertson will contact Gabriel about replacing some damaged curb & gutter and replacing the dip in the road by the Baptist Church. Ledene will check-in with the Main Street business owners on their sidewalk project.

Water/Sewer: Discussion was held on watering the east entrance sign landscape. MacDonald will look into tapping into the main and putting a flushable hydrant in for watering. Discussion was held on watering of other flowers/landscape. Discussion was held on the lagoon smell. Carlson would like to see the aerator be put into use again.

Police report for April: calls for service-2; cases investigated-3; misdemeanors-4; Felony-1; accidents investigated-1; DUI arrests-1; arrests-3; citations-4; warnings issued-12; Cases to SAA-2; Admin/Court-0; parking issues-4; animal complaints-5; animal tags sold-0; finger prints-1; domestic violence/juvenile cases-1; assist BCSSO-2; assist PLA/PLFD-2; bar checks-1; school checks-2; foot patrol-14; door checks-0; vehicle unlocks-1; noise complaints-0; public assists-0; safety talks-1; alarm calls/911-1; calls/misc-35; vehicle miles on patrol-797. Lerol is still seeking applicants for the officer position.

Old Business: Motion by Ledene, seconded by Griesbach to approve the second reading and adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 2018-01AN ORDINANCE TO ENACT ARTICLE 25, OF CHAPTER 6 OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF POWERS LAKE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN RELATING TO PROHIBITION OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA COMPASSION CENTERS. Motion carried.

Council reviewed employee performance review form and approved for the use for 7-1-17 to 6-30-18 review period.

New Business: Motion by Griesbach, seconded by Hockenbary to approve the veteran's gaming site authorization for Turley's Bar. Motion carried.

Motion by Hockenbary, seconded by Griesbach to approve Nick Fredrickson purchasing fireworks and conducting a fireworks display for the Fourth of July with the stipulation that the fire department be on stand-by and weather permitting. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous.

Discussion was held on Ordinance 2018-02 Smoke, Dust, Ash, Cinders, Gases nuisances – tabled.

The city hall furnace is in need of being replaced. MacDonald will check with MDU regarding an electric boiler.

Council approved the auditor to apply to become a notary public.

Discussion was held on trash that is blowing around.

Motion by Hockenbary, seconded by Carlson to pay the following bills: Ackerman-Estvold-4085.25, Burke County Assessing Fee-1170.25, Burke County Tribune-181.94, Cenex-2301.94, Circle Sanitation-6473.25, County Store-217.53, Display Sales-34.80, Esterholm Construction-3326.00, First District Health-22.00, ITD-27.10, John's Sand and Gravel-1317.00, Kathleen Robinson-45.00, Kenny MacDonald-21.80, Todd Lerol(Dropbox)-99.00, MDU-2691.36, NCC-435.28, Verizon-228.20, USPS-382.00, Liz Beavers-461.96, Todd Lerol-4666.26, Kenny MacDonald(city)-1250.10, Kenny MacDonald(watershed grant)-1472.18, Randy Mehlhoff-3523.96, Alex Schwab-3071.43, Jennifer Titus-1944.54, NDPERS-2013.84, IRS payroll taxes-5230.43, Office of the State Tax Commissioner-582.50. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous.

Discussion has held on bobcat attachments. Motion by Hockenbary, seconded by Carlson to approve the purchase of pallet forks. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous.

Next meeting is Wednesday, June 6, at 8:00 am.

Meeting adjourned.

John Albertson, Mayor

Jennifer Titus, City Auditor