

City of Powers Lake
Regular Meeting
Unapproved Proceedings

The Powers Lake City Council met in regular session on Monday, October 5, 2020 at 7:00 pm. Council members present were: Carlson, Griesbach, Hockenbary and Holmen. Also present were Kenny MacDonald, Kelly & Lisa Thomas and the auditor. Mayor Albertson called the meeting to order.

2021 budget hearing was opened. Hearing no comments from the public, the public hearing was closed.

Lisa & Kelly Thomas presented a list of issues/concerns regarding Chief Lerol. Discussion was held and law enforcement councilman Griesbach accepted the list. Kelly & Lisa Thomas left the meeting.

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

Motion by Hockenbary, seconded by Carlson to approve the financial report. Motion carried.

The CDBG grant application for a platform lift at the Legion Hall was declined.

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Griesbach to approve the final 2021 budget with total budgeted expenditures for general fund of \$616,225.00. The total mill levy is \$35,020.00.

Councilman Holmen entered the meeting at 7:30 pm.

Landfill/building permits: The last landfill day will be Saturday, October 17. For moveable sheds, the city requires a building permit but there is no fee.

Loretta Stetz entered the meeting at 7:40 pm.

Streets/Legion Hall: A bid for street repair of 2nd Ave W was presented from John's Sand & Gravel, Inc for \$14,000.00. This work would include cutting out asphalt, laydown fabric, repack/reshape street 2 ft deep x 41 ft wide x 100 ft long. This section will be re-asphalted at a later date. Motion by Griesbach, seconded by Holmen to approve the bid. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous.

Water/Sewer: The council reviewed a list of past due water/sewer/garbage bills. The auditor will send shut-off letters October 20th. Water mains have been flushed and sewer mains have been jetted.

Police report for September: calls for service-53; cases-1; felony-1; citations-2; warnings-23; parking issues-3; animal complaints-2; domestic/Juv-1; assist BCSO-2; PLA/PLFD calls-6; school checks-3; vehicle unlocks-3; J turn violations-1; bar checks-1; alarm calls/911-2; Misc/phone calls-4. Police office closed for non-essentials, routine patrol continues, Fiesel Law Office space option for the police department, Chief Lerol on vacation Oct 5 & 6, Sept parking issues: School-cars waiting on Anderson St seems to have reduced issues with vehicle backing

up onto Railroad Ave; Historic Hygge Hotel-long vehicle parked on Main St, vehicles stopped in driving lane, trucks delivering; Jorgenson Lumber-center parking; Peterson & 4th Ave-over 72 hours. Fiesel didn't have a quote on rent for the office space at this time.

Old business: A pier repair bid was presented from SM Services Corp for \$9,850.00. The work would included re-slope, install geotextile fabric and riprap to project wooden structure from erosion and ice jacking. Discussion has held on adding cleaning out the west side of the pier as well. Motion by Hockenbary, seconded by Carlson to approve the bid for the pier repair. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous.

The auditor is still looking for price quotes on 30' flagpole.

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Hockenbary to pay the following bills: First District Health-25.00, Bryton Allard-500.00, Burke County Tribune-95.94, Cenex-223.14, Circle Sanitation-6376.00, Circle Sanitation (landfill)-1210.00, Country Store-366.51, Dept of Environmental Quality-251.58, Gustafson Septic-8438.75, Heck Built-11793.00, ITD-28.45, Kenny MacDonald-88.98, MDU-2943.15, NCC-398.56, Office of the State Auditor-400.00, One Call Concepts-2.40, One Shot Welding & Repair-900.00, Powers Lake Elevator-25.00, Verizon-243.43, Bryton Allard-3108.56, Liz Beavers-707.70, Derek Hockenbary-436.35, Brooks Holmen-41.56, Todd Lerol-5225.03, Kenny MacDonald(city)-2773.62, Kenny MacDonald(watershed grant)-978.61, Jennifer Titus-2181.19, NDPERS-2028.08, IRS payroll taxes-5031.35. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous.

Next meeting is Monday, November 2 at 8:00 am.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

John Albertson, Mayor

Jennifer Titus, City Auditor