

City of Powers Lake
Regular Meeting
Unapproved Proceedings

The Powers Lake City Council met in regular session on Monday, August 2, 2021 at 8:00 am. Council members present were: Holmen, Griesbach, Hockenbary and Carlson. Also present were Kenny MacDonald, Police Chief Lerol, Chris Hageman with Ackerman-Estvold and the auditor.

Mayor Albertson called the meeting to order.

LP tank bid opening: Two sealed bids were opened. Motion by Holmen, seconded by Carlson to accept the high bid from Isaac Jacobs for \$250. Motion carried.

Engineering: Hageman presented an estimate to extend the water main from the fire hydrant on Johnson Street north 620' and extend the sewer main from 5th Ave north along Johnson Street 700' for \$322,447.50. Hageman also gave council a square foot estimate to use in planning for a community building in Hegstad Subdivision. Site prep/parking lot for that location would be approximately \$200,000-\$300,000 and building cost is estimated at \$200-\$225 per square foot.

Motion by Hockenbary, seconded by Griesbach to approve the July minutes. Motion carried.

Auditor: Motion by Carlson, seconded by Griesbach to approve the June financial report. Motion carried. Motion by Carlson, seconded by Hockenbary to approve the 2022 preliminary budget the amount levied is \$39,745. Motion carried. Budget hearing date is Monday, October 4th at 8:00 am. The auditor requested a software update to provide online recurring e-check/credit card payments/online statement viewing/e-statements to utility customers. City's setup cost is \$1375 and monthly maintenance fee is \$86.25. Motion by Carlson, seconded by Hockenbary to approve the software update. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous. The water tower fire insurance settlement is \$24,612.45.

Streets & Legion Hall: Handicap curb painting will be done. No snow will be piled into the Bunkhouse Motel parking lot during snow removal.

Water & Sewer: Annual maintenance on the lift station is scheduled for tomorrow.

Police report for July: calls for service-63; cases-2; misdemeanors-1; arrest-1; citations-4; warnings-35; Case to SAA-1; landfill calls-2; animal complaints-2; animal tags-1; assist BCSO-3; assist PLA/FD-5; school checks-2; bar checks-2; alarm calls/911-1; Misc/phone calls-10; speeding citations-23; miles patrolled-1484. Dog complaint has been addressed.

Old business: New emergency siren has been installed but not operational yet. Motion by Holmen, seconded by Hockenbary to advertise for bids on the old city firehall demolition, with demolition to begin October 1, 2021 and be completed by Dec 31, 2021. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous.

New business: Motion by Carlson, seconded by Holmen to approve the special permit application for Turley's Pub beer garden during Powers Lake Days. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on capital improvements projects.

Motion by Hockenbary, seconded by Griesbach to pay the following bills: Bryton Allard-500.00, Burke County Tribune-123.20, Cenex-949.01, Circle Sanitation-6752.50, Circle Sanitation-1210.00, Country Store-379.81, First District Health-50.00, Galls-28.45, Hawkins-1231.65, ITD-28.45, J&A Lawn Spraying Service-2096.00, Jorgenson Lumber-151.60, KEM Concrete-12100.00, Liberty Insurance-7759.00, MDU-2515.24, Modern Marketing-76.90, NCC-409.92, NDLC-451.00, NDPOA-80.00, One Call Concepts-3.60, Public Safety Cadets-50.00, Share Corp-1202.34, Verizon-198.65, Bryton Allard-3080.33, Liz Beavers-844.67, Derek Hockenbary(landfill)-415.57, Todd Lerol-3419.60, Kenny MacDonald(city)-2532.58, Kenny MacDonald(watershed grant)-2110.00, Micah Nelson-2424.61, Jennifer Titus-2246.56, NDPERS(retirement)-2088.92, NDPERS(Def Comp)-2175.00, IRS payroll taxes-5931.01. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous.

Next meetings are Thursday, September 9th at 8:00 am and Monday, October 4th at 8:00 am.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 am.

John Albertson, Mayor

Jennifer Titus, City Auditor