

CITY OF PRIMGHAR
Regular Meeting
October 10, 2016
PUBLISHED MINUTES

The Primghar City Council met for Regular Council Meeting on October 10, 2016 at 7:00 PM in the council chambers with Mayor Pro Tem Glen Schueller presiding. Council in attendance was Jack Black, Glen Schueller, Kevin Smith, Doug Harms and Brooke Steven. Staff present – Marlene Anderson, Denny Logan, and Mike Warnke/

Visitors: Sue McCauley, Susan Smith, Dian Riemann, Heath Richter, Lori Struve, Deb Schueller, Loretta Edwards, Darin Logan, Ben Eldridge, Bob McCauley, Lorraine McCauley, Marlene Klink, Deb Callahan, and Kay Geerdes. Smith moved to open the PUBLIC HEARING for the sale of the City property located on 6th Street, seconded by Harms. Ayes: All, motion carried.

Harms moved to approve the resolution authorizing the City of Primghar to convey a certain tract of real estate owned by the City, sale will be to Kevin Jenness for the cost of \$1000, seconded by Stevens. Ayes: All, motion carried.

Black moved to close public hearing, seconded by Smith. Ayes: All, motion carried.

Smith moved to approve the tentative agenda for October 10, 2016, minutes for September 13, 2016, September Library Report, September Golf Board Report and Pro Go Liquor License, seconded by Stevens. Ayes: All, motion carried.

Diane Riemann was in attendance to share with the council information pertaining to Harold Metcalf Will and Trust, this Will and Trust was written 31 years ago. She especially drew attention to the last page where it stated that children under the age of 18 may be permitted to golf for free as this was Mr. Metcalf's wishes.

Bob McCauley verbalized concerns pertaining to incorrect information being given out of city hall. He gave a brief update on the progress of the project for the Baum Harmon Clinic. He also verbalized concerns in reference to the timeline for the property south of the county shed for the construction of oversized buildings.

Mayor Edwards arrived to preside over the meeting at this time. He made the suggestion to organize a committee to work on this project. Harms and Black will work on this committee.

Kay Gerdes was in attendance again to discuss financial reports, questioned when the audit will be done. Anderson shared that it is scheduled for the end of October and first part of November.

Denny Logan gave an update on city employee's activities, such as trimming and mowing at cemetery, switching out electrical meters, repaired 2 underground shorts, B-40 project is moving along well, hoping to get cemetery sprayed yet this week. Harms stated there is a truck sale coming up would like to take Denny to view some of the trucks. Dead trees in cemetery that will be taken down after ground has frozen. Citizen is requesting to have a tree planted yet this year, we will get one and get it planted. D Riemann requested to have the trees located in the parking by her home trimmed.

Robert Kruckman lease of property or purchase. He is currently leasing for \$100/year. Smith moved to continue to lease this particular property, seconded by Harms. Ayes: All, motion carried.

Farm Leases were tabled until City Attorney can be in attendance.

Paul Schueller is requesting assistance with for work done to allow water to flow. Council questioning if there is an easement back where the rest of the drainage ditch runs. Black moved to investigate if City has an easement, seconded by Stevens. Ayes: All, motion carried

Building permit fees were briefly discussed as well as raising the amount the P&Z officer receives.

M Warnke was present to discuss the matter of insurance benefit he did not receive during the years of 11, 12, and 13 as it was stated in the handbook. The amount being discussed is \$18,094.17. Harms stated that he is entitled to this benefit. Mayor questioned why he waited so long to bring this matter to the table, Warnke replied that it had just been brought to this attention, so he started to investigate. Anderson questioned if should be taxable or non-taxed. No decision was made on this matter council will discuss it further with City Attorney.

Sue McCauley was in attendance to give an update on the Chamber's events that are being planned. She also discussed the cost of the liability insurance for events sponsored by the Chamber. They are investigating other options and will return to next meeting with information. They are requesting to have support from the city to offset the cost of insurance. Brief discussion about the improvements they are planning at the city park. Anderson presented Annual Urban Renewal Report, Smith requested Anderson explain TIF and the report to visitors at the meeting. Smith moved to approve the report as presented, seconded by Black. Ayes: All, motion carried.

Anderson gave an update on the transformer engineer has requested we get another test done from a second source. Cole will get this done. Anderson will convey the test results to council and mayor.

Susan Smith, Loretta Edwards and Deb Schueller were in attendance to give an update staffing concerns with the ambulance crew. Possibly thinking about hiring a full time person to cover extra shifts. Every small community is struggling at this point. They need volunteers badly currently only have one driver. They would like to make a decision by April.

Anderson stated that Hunzelman & Putzier are scheduled to be here Oct 31, 1, 2.

Anderson relayed the information in reference to the problems with the siren at the SW corner of town, she presented a quote to go wireless instead of hard wired. Black moved to go with quote from Alpha Wireless, seconded by Shcueller.

Schueller move to approve Revenue/Expenditure reports and Bills to be paid with the inclusion of Vander Pol payment request number 2, seconded by Stevens. Ayes: All, motion carried.

Schueller moved to adjourn, seconded by Smith meeting adjourned 8:45pm.

Kurt Edwards, Mayor

ATTEST:

Marlene Anderson, City Clerk