

CITY OF PRIMGHAR
Regular Meeting
March 13, 2017
PUBLISHED MINUTES

The Primghar City Council met for Regular Council Meeting on March 13, 2017 at 7:00 PM in the council chambers with Mayor Kurt Edwards presiding. Council in attendance was Jack Black, Glen Schueller, Kevin Smith, Doug Harms and Brooke Steven. Staff present – Marlene Anderson, Bruce Green and Denny Logan.

Visitors: Heath Richter, Bob McCauley, Lori Struve, Lorraine McCauley, K Geerdes and Rodd Holtkamp.

Black moved to open the public hearing to discuss the FYE Budget for 2018, seconded by Smith. Ayes: All, motion carried.

Anderson briefly explained the corrections that were made to the budget. Smith offered a special Thank You to Dee Ann Lansink for giving assistance with the budget. K Geerdes asked where the TIF funds are paid to as she did not understand this matter. Anderson explained that TIF revenues are spent to cover debt, expenditures for low income housing projects. K Geerdes then asked if the budget is available for the public to view prior to the acceptance of the budget. Smith moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Black. Ayes: All, motion carried. Public Hearing closed at 7:10 pm.

Harms moved to approve the consent agenda as presented for March 13, 2017, Minutes as published for February 1, 13, 22 and March 8, February Library Board Meeting, February Golf Board meeting, seconded by Stevens. Ayes: All, motion carried.

Mayor Edwards then opened the floor for written or oral concerns:

Black stated he would like to see the cleaning of snow off the sidewalks be enforced, especially on HI way 59.

Courthouse maintenance personnel requested that the guys be careful when taking care of the snow around the inside of the square so they don't damage the court house lawn.

Campers parked by the elevator how can they be living in them, Denny Cmelik is aware of this matter.

Lorraine McCauley filed a verbal complaint with the council as to the condition of the water in town. She showed a picture of a white shirt that had been ruined due to rusty water. D Logan tried to explain this matter to her stating that this was an accident due to problem with the valve. She would like in the future for the citizens be notified if there is scheduled work to be done.

B McCauley inquired as to the amount that council was willing to spend on getting the P & Z ordinance book re-done. He stated we could have it done in 2 different ways: either re-don the whole booklet for approx. \$250 per amendment or re-do the whole book for approx. \$5000. Mayor stated that we would do amendments, so the P & Z need to meet and come up with recommendations, hold public hearing and then return findings to the city council and council will proceed from there.

Kay Geerdes requested that a special report be created and published in the paper so community is more aware of where the community stands with the finances.

Bob Mc Cauley inquired if anything has been heard from Justin Christensen in reference to the Randolph Estates II drainage issue. Mayor stated he had picked up plans but we have not heard anything yet.

Logan then proceeded with the employee concerns and activities. Some of the alleys are in bad need of repair when sidewalks were completed last summer they back filled with dirt, which is all settling now so they need to be dug out and re-filled with crushed concrete. Wound Care Center associated with the hospital: electrical has been completed.

Water tower we are waiting on meters then they will move forward on this project.

10 light heads have been ordered for the lighting on HI way 59, so they will start working on these things soon.

ACCO is still working on getting that materials together to complete the changing of the media in the filters at the water tower.

Blaze passed his pesticide test, he needs to get scheduled for the CDL class in Sheldon. The cost of this course is \$400 and will be paid for by Blaze.

Harms brought up the sewer back up issue that Rick S is concerned that it may be partially the city's problem

Logan doesn't believe that should be a problem. Currently has been repaired just going to wait to see what happens.

Northside of the school has an issue with ice Logan states that side of the school gets no sunlight so it doesn't melt city is doing its best to salt it and keep the area scraped.

Bruce brought to the group's attention the matter of ATV, golf cart ordinance. Current golf cart ordinance will just need a few changes. He suggested that the current ATV and snowmobile ordinance be repealed in its entirety. Then he will write the new ordinance leaving out the snowmobile portion an addressing the ATV portion only, which will be modeled similar to the county ordinance which is in compliance with the state code. Bruce will prepare and have ready for the next meeting.

HI way 59 lights, Cole has ordered 10 heads and are waiting for delivery. When frost goes out they will bore under the HI way to repair the faulty line.

RAGBRAI there is a meeting scheduled for Thursday the 16th of March at 7pm at the Community Center. The goal is to start getting committees together to get the ball rolling. Anderson stated that there will be 4 attending the state wide meeting in Clear Lake on the 8th of April, we should have a lot more information after that meeting.

Water Tower: SCADA is very close to being completed, we need to get the meters switched out then we can move forward on the completion of the system. Denny needed to send in a raw water sample to be tested for certain chemicals once that is back then ACCO will know what they will need for product and the process of changing out the media will continue. This process should take approximately 2-4 days.

Smith moved to approve the media change at the water tower, seconded by Harms. Ayes: All, motion carried.

Mayor Edwards read Resolution 2017-1 ADOPTION OF FYE 2018 BUDGET.

Black moved to accept the resolution as presented, seconded by Smith. Ayes: All, motion carried.

Mayor Edwards read Resolution 2017-2 TRANSFER OF MONIES BETWEEN FUNDS.

Harms moved to accept resolution as presented, seconded by Stevens. Ayes: All, motion carried.

Brief discussion was had in reference to the new hires at PGCC.

Audrey Adams accepted the position as Manager for the salary of \$30,000/year, single plan of insurance and IPERS. Smith moved to approve Audrey Adams for Manager at the rate of \$30,000/year with a single insurance plan and IPERS, seconded by Harms. Ayes: All, motion carried.

Also discussed was the hire of Cindy Thompson and Teresa Johnson at \$13.50 per hour, council did not approve this rate of pay.

Anderson was directed to arrange a meeting with the golf board and council to discuss this matter.

Golf course slush fund was briefly discussed. Harms voiced some concern in reference to this matter i.e.: where the money was and where they planned to put it. Anderson stated that she felt nothing should be moved until June 30 the close city fiscal year council was in agreement with this.

Anderson related that Kim Rons had been in her position for 6 months now and has done a great job, she will be attending some training in the near future which should also benefit her. Black moved to give Rons a .50 an hour raise, from \$12.50 to \$13.00/ hour, seconded by Harms. Ayes: All, motion carried.

Mayor Edwards presented the Contract Modification for the B-40 project foe work that had been completed by Vander Pol. Smith moved to approve the Modification as presented, seconded by Stevens. Ayes: All, motion carried.

Mayor Edwards then presented Statement of Completion & Acceptance of Work for the B-40 Project. Black moved to accept Statement of Completion & Acceptance of Work, seconded by Harms. Ayes: All, motion carried.

Schueller moved to approve Rev/Exp reports and bills to be paid, seconded by Smith. Ayes: All, motion carried
Black moved to adjourn, seconded by Harms meeting adjourned 8:25 pm.

Kurt Edwards, Mayor

ATTEST:

Marlene Anderson, City Clerk