

Regular Session

May 11, 2022

The Primghar City Council met in regular session on May 11, 2022, at 5:00PM in the council chambers with Mayor Pro-Tem Kevin Smith presiding. Council present – Ryan Jenness, Ken Miller, and Steve Wittrock. Staff present – Carol Chicoine, Sarah Rohwer, and Denny Logan. Motion by Jenness, approving the consent agenda, approving May 11 Agenda, council minutes from April 13 and May 2, Library Board minutes from April 13, and golf board minutes from April 21st. Second Miller, all ayes, motion carried.

No written or oral citizens' concerns were received. Visitors: Primghar Chamber came to recap their previous meeting and go over plans for Cobblestone Days. Chamber asked for approval from the council to close roads off and shut off certain streetlights for their street dance on Friday June 17th. A resolution will need to be done to close off the streets. DJ Weber with TCA came to go over the revised 28E agreement with the council members. Thor Klinker with the Primghar Advancement Corporation (PAC) came to propose to council the purchase of the empty lot at 280 N Welch. PAC recently acquired a free house and is looking to move it onto the lot. PAC would pay the cost of City Attorney Bruce Green's fees related to selling the lot. A public hearing will be set at next months regular council meeting. Joni Irwin and Jaynee Rushton discussed the volleyball courts at the city park. Irwin requested that the nets be put up before Memorial Day and left up until the middle of October. The boundaries for the courts are going to be replaced with rubber TCA has left over from different projects. Irwin also requested another load of finer sand be put on the north court. Discussion also came up about maintenance of the courts and tilling sand when it needs to be done. Deb Warnke proposed to council to buy back 20 feet of property that had been sold by the previous owner to the library. Buying back this property would allow Warnke to add on to her garage to be able to keep both of her vehicles in storage and out of the elements. Warnke met with the library board earlier in the day and the board had not decided yet. Recommendation would need to come from the library board to sell off that piece of land.

Denny Logan gave council an update on projects that the city workers have been working on: street sweeping, picking up items during clean up days, flushing sewers, fixing a water leak over by Neal Chase, the airport hanger is fully cleaned out, cementing street cuts, graves, mowing the cemetery and starting to get it looking nice for Memorial Day, and Orville Ginger and Jarrett Russell started on Monday.

City Attorney Bruce Green introduced Resolution Awarding Contract for the Primghar 69KV Transmission Line Replacement Project to Great Plains Power. Motion Miller approving Resolution Awarding Contract for the Primghar 69KV Transmission Line Replacement Project to Great Plains Power. Seconded Smith, receiving 3 ayes: Miller, Wittrock, Smith and 1 nay Jenness. Motion approved.

Motion Jenness Resolution approving Tax Abatement AME Investments LLC-275 S Green. Second Miller, all ayes, motion carried. Motion Wittrock Resolution Approving Ambulance Rates July 1, 2022. Second Jenness, all ayes, motion carried. Motion Jenness Resolution Request Assistance of Northwest Iowa Planning and Development Commission Environmental. Second Wittrock, all ayes, motion carried. Motion Wittrock Resolution to Set Public Hearing for CDBG Application June 8, 2022. Second Jenness, all ayes, motion carried. Motion Miller Resolution Approving Amended and Restates Agreement under Iowa Code Chapter 28E of the Community Cable Television Agency of O'Brien County. Second Jenness, all ayes, motion carried. Motion Jenness Resolution Approving Hire Russell. Second Miller, all ayes, motion carried. Motion Jenness Resolution Approving Affordable Housing Initiative PAC. Second Miller, all ayes, motion carried. Motion Wittrock approving Juvenile Court Services to rent office space at City Hall. Second Jenness, all ayes, motion carried.

Justin Christensen with DGR Engineering came on May 4th to go around the community and take a look at streets and what roads need to be repaired. Justin will be attending next month's meeting to discuss the findings and different options that are available.

Motion Jenness approving April Financial Report. Second Miller, all ayes, motion carried. Motion Jenness approving May claims and bills paid in vacation. Second Wittrock, all ayes, motion carried. No new nuisance abatement updates

Motion Jenness to adjourn regular session. Second Smith, all ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:04 pm.

ATTEST: Sarah Rohwer, Deputy City Clerk

Kevin Smith, Mayor Pro-Tem