

Regular Session

June 8, 2022

The Primghar City Council met in regular session on June 8, 2022, at 5:02PM in the council chambers with Mayor Kurt Edwards presiding. Council present – Tim Honkomp, Ryan Jenness, Ken Miller, Steve Wittrock, and Kevin Smith. Staff present – Carol Chicoine, Sarah Rohwer, Mike Warnke, Jarrett Russell. Motion by Honkomp, approving the consent agenda, approving June 8 agenda, council minutes from May 2, 2022 and May 11, 2022; library minutes from May 11, 2022, PGCC Golf Board Minutes from May 19, 2022, Liquor License Cobble Stone Bar Outside Sales Street Dance June 17th Pending Dram Reviewal, Tobacco Permit FY23 Pro-Go, Library Board Teresa Sikora (June 2028), Joan Roos TCA Board (June 2024), Seth Postma – Primghar Ambulance Driver. Second Jenness, all ayes, motion carried.

No written or oral citizens' concerns were received. Visitors: Bruce Mosier with Prins Insurance discussed changes in the city's insurance premiums. Total insurance premiums for 2022 are up by \$6,408 from 2021. Mosier broke down that the general liability, line backer, crime coverage, inland marine, and umbrella, and property insurance have increased while the work comp insurance has a credit due to a previous claim dropping off. Dawn Butler with FNIC Sibley came to give different options to change the city's health insurance to a different plan or keep the current insurance plan that will have a 7.16% increase starting July 1, 2022.

Mike Warnke gave council an update on projects that the city workers have been working on: cemetery work has been an ongoing project; mowing, seeding, and new dirt on graves, sand has been delivered to the volleyball court, CPR/First Aid training has been completed by city employees.

City Attorney Bruce Green was not in attendance to give comments. Motion Jenness Resolution Street Closing and Park Usage for Cobblestone Days for Street Dance, Burn outs, and Events. Second Wittrock, all ayes, motion carried. Motion Honkomp Resolution to Set Public Hearing for Sale of 280 N Welch land. Second Miller, all ayes, motion carried. Motion Smith Resolution approving Transfers. Second Honkomp, all ayes, motion carried. Motion Jenness Consider First Reading Ordinance 2022-02 Stop Sign of the City of Primghar, Iowa. Second Wittrock, all ayes, motion carried. Motion Honkomp Consider motion to waive second and third Reading Ordinance 2022-02. Second Jenness, all ayes, motion carried. Motion Jenness Consider motion to adopt and publish Ordinance 2022-02. Second Miller, all ayes, motion carried. Motion Honkomp to approve EMC liability and worker's comp insurance. Second Smith, all ayes, motion carried. Motion Jenness to table approve renewals Health, Vision, and Dental Insurance. Second Miller, all ayes, motion carried.

Motion Honkomp to approve request Daniel Wittrock to remove tree in ROW at homeowner's expense (180 S Inman). Second Jenness, all ayes, motion carried. The city is looking to get rid of equipment that is no longer in use and is currently looking into if an online auction would be the best option against taking sealed bids. Justin with DGR will be at next month's council meeting to give a full report on the status of different streets that the city is looking to make improvements to. Clerk Chicoine gave council an update after a web conference with MRES on Preparation of Energy Emergencies. This conference stressed the importance of load management and not overloading the power grid to the point where rolling blackouts could occur. Chicoine also informed the council that the city does have the software to roll out a new load management program. Rolling out the new program will include revamping the old signup forms and installing the equipment.

Motion Jenness approving May Financial Report. Second Honkomp, all ayes, motion carried. Motion Smith approving June claims and bills paid in vacation. Second Wittrock, all ayes, motion carried. Clerk Chicoine did inform council during nuisance abatement updates that Jeff Gerritson's property is going to be gone after as an abandoned property due to unpaid invoices and 6 plus months of disconnected utilities. During council comments, Jenness brought up a point that the fireworks ordinance should be changed so that the ending time was later. Clerk Chicoine also informed the council that Paullina's Mayor had reached out to Chicoine to see if she would be able to help in the interim while Paullina looks for a new City Administrator. The Primghar City Council members would like to have a meeting with the Paullina City Council members to discuss a plan on how the two cities can better help one another.

Motion Smith to adjourn regular session. Second Jenness, all ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

ATTEST: Sarah Rohwer, Deputy City Clerk

Kurt Edwards, Mayor