

Regular City Council Meeting
March 14, 2017
7:30 PM

A. Call to Order: The Regular Meeting of the Richmond City Council was called to order by President Verlin Springer.

Council Members Present: Karen Peters, Helen Feuerborn and Doug McIntosh.

Staff present: Doyle Sobba.

Guests Present: Sister Loretta Roeckers, Roy Baker, Phil Augustine, Frank Guilfoyle and Travis Altic.

B. Public Comment: Roy Baker has requested that the company that installed the new water lines and fire hydrants provide to him a digital file with all of the GIS coordinates of the new lines, valves and hydrants. Mr. Baker can then make a KMZ file which will allow us to pull up all the locations of the lines, valves and fire hydrants. Features could be added to the file to update when the hydrants are flushed, the valves are exercised, and so forth.

Mr. Baker asked how far along we were with trying to find someone to inspect our old buildings and houses. Mr. Baker has been in contact with the Building Inspector from Wellsville and either he or two other people may be willing to do our inspections on a contract basis. Mr. Baker will provide the additional names to Marla when he receives the names.

Mayor Snow arrived at 7:38 PM and presided over the meeting thereafter.

Sister Loretta Roeckers expressed that she believes the City of Richmond is fortunate to have two city employees that are hardworking, talented, very dedicated and she wanted to say thank you to Doyle and Marla for all that they do.

C. Consent Agenda:

Approval of Minutes of Meetings: Doug McIntosh made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 14, 2017 regular meeting as written. Helen Feuerborn seconded the motion. Vote 4-0, motion passed.

Doug McIntosh made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 2, Special Meeting and Executive Session as written. Karen Peters seconded the motion. Vote 4-0, motion passed.

Approval of Expenses: After discussion, Verlin Springer made a motion to approve the expenses paid since the February 14, 2017 meeting. Doug McIntosh seconded the motion. Vote 4-0, motion passed.

D. ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. Fireman's Relief Association. Frank Guilfoyle, member of the Richmond Consolidated Fire Department, and Vice-President and Treasurer of the Fireman's Relief

Association, presented a bill for the 2016 Fireman's Relief Association Insurance in the amount of \$332.50. A bill will also be presented to the Township for their share of the insurance costs. Another bill for \$332.50 will be presented in approximately July for the 2017 insurance. Doug McIntosh made a motion to reimburse the Richmond Consolidated Fire Department FRA the amount of \$332.50 for their insurance for 2016. Helen Feuerborn seconded the motion. Vote 4-0, motion passed.

2. Consider Proclamation of March for Meals Month. Council was provided a copy of the Mid-America Nutrition Program Fall 2016 Newsletter and an email from Martha Hagedorn-Krass requesting that we adopt the proclamation recognizing the Meals on Wheels Program. The Mayor recited the Proclamation. Karen Peters made a motion to proclaim March as March for Meals Month. Helen Feuerborn seconded the motion. Vote 4-0, motion passed.

3. Any other necessary city business: The Mayor announced that the 21st Annual Prairie Spirit Celebration is March 22 with a Silent Auction at 6:00 pm and Buffet Dinner at 6:30 pm in the Commons Area at the Anderson County High School.

The Mayor reported that he had instructed the clerk to have the employment ad republished in the Ottawa Herald and the Anderson County Review due to Larry Fox not accepting the position offered on March 2, and to include the starting wage and approximately 20 hours per week. Doyle reported that he understands the Greenthumb program will pay half of the salary of a senior citizen employed by a city. The program is apparently funded by the federal government.

E. STAFF REPORTS:

a. Bartlett & West – Water Plant Repair. Doyle reported that on Thursday morning Bartlett & West will be bringing to the water plant a representative of the company that bid on our water plant repair.

b. Doyle reported that he is having trouble with the chemicals at the water plant and has been working with Hawkins, our chemical company.


c. The stirrer motors in the water plant are not working correctly and Doyle would like to take them to Patchen's in Lawrence to see if they can be rebuilt or if they will need to be replaced.

F. COUNCIL COMMENTS AND/OR REPORTS. None

Adjournment: Helen Feuerborn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Verlin Springer seconded the motion. Vote 4-0, motion passed. PM

APPROVED:

By:



Shelden Snow, Mayor

ATTEST:



Marla Gadelman, City Clerk