

**City of Stewartville
City Council Meeting Minutes
Stewartville City Hall
June 13, 2017**

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL Mayor King called the meeting to order on June 13, 2017 at 7:00 pm. Present: King, Anderson, Uptagrafft, Beyer and Oeltjen. Also Present: City Administrator Schimmel, Finance Director Neubauer, Public Works Supervisor Hale, Fire Chief Swisher and City Clerk Roeder

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Beyer, second by Uptagrafft to approve the agenda with the addition of a change order for the WWTF. Unanimously approved.

IV. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Anderson, second by Oeltjen to approve the Council minutes of May 23, 2017. Unanimously approved.

V. FINANCE AND BUDGET –

Motion by Uptagrafft, second by Oeltjen to approve the accounts payable listing. Unanimously approved.

VI. GENERAL BUSINESS

A. Softball League Termination – Mayor King stated that the Goon Squad and Root River softball teams participated in a fight during league play on May 25th. The Softball Director reported that both benches were cleared and a fist fight ensued with the Goon Squad bringing bats to the field. The City has terminated the Good Squad from playing and Root River was given a reprimand. Members of the Goon Squad appeared before Council to defend themselves, stating that bats were not taken onto the field. They felt that Root River should also be removed. The Good Squad stated that although the fight shouldn't of happened, it was the result of "smack talk" about them not being a good team. They stated that they have been told they don't belong in the league and also have been victims of racially insensitive remarks.

Beyer stated that it was his opinion that both teams should be kicked out as there was no room for fighting in softball and that it should just be fun. Anderson and King both told the Goon Squad that they respected that they came before the Council to share their story but both indicated that they backed the Softball Director's recommendation.

B. MnDOT I-90 Interchange Project- Project Manager, Heather Lukes appeared before Council to update them on the 15.3 million project scheduled to begin in 2020. She stated that the intersection will make things easier for eastbound drivers coming off of I-90 who want to turn north towards Rochester. The same will be done for the westbound drivers coming off of I-90 who want to turn south towards Stewartville. The new bridge will be widened to actually have a wider shoulder so that traffic coming off that loop has a longer and more protected movement to merge onto northbound Hwy 63. She indicated that it would be a two year project and that traffic will likely be moved to a single lane while one bridge is taken down the first year and then switched to the second year.

C. 2017 CIP Change Order #1 – Neubauer informed Council that the change order was to increase the original base bid of \$9,950 to install a new 8"watermain under the existing double

42" culverts on 6th St. NE. This item was not included in the original plans. Hale stated that he feels that due to the many water breaks in that area, it should be replaced.

Motion by Uptagrafft, second by Anderson to approve CIP 2017 Change Order #1.
Unanimously approved.

- D. WWTF – Change Order #3** - Neubauer stated that during the installation of the forced mains, the contractor ran into tile lines that we weren't aware of. Unfortunately, the contractor will need to cross the tile line another three times and the change order is needed for fixing the tile line each time. Total cost would be \$2,206

Motion by Oeltjen, second by Beyer to approve WWTF Change Order #3. Unanimously approved.

- E. 2017 CIP Bond Sale** - Neubauer presented the resolution for the issuance of the proposed \$239,000 G.O. Improvement Bond. She stated that this is a special assessment bond for the improvements made in 2017 Capital Improvement Project (6th St. NE and Fairway Crt N). F&M Community Bank has agreed to finance this portion of the project with a 10 year, 2.3% G.O. Bond. The revenue collected by special assessments will be used to pay off the principal and interest payments.

Motion by Uptagrafft, second by Beyer to approve Resolution 2017-13, Resolution Providing for the Issuance and Sale of a \$239,000 General Obligation Improvement Bond, Series 2017A.
Unanimously approved.

- F. Amphitheater Project** – On March 14th, SEH presented the Feasibility Study for the Bear Cave Park Amphitheater. Park Board Chair, Jeff Beyer stated that the Park Board is recommending approval of the study, which will then allow them to start moving forward with grants, etc. He noted that the Foundation has had 2 successful fundraisers and the Park Board has been setting money aside also. He stated that they would like to move forward with Phase 1 in the next 2-3 years and hoped that the Council would consider the project during the budget process.

Motion by Anderson, second by Uptagrafft to approve the Feasibility Study for the Bear Cave Amphitheater project. Unanimously approved.

- G. Off Sale License** – Roeder stated that Fareway Foods was seeking an off sale license and are working with Alcohol Enforcement with their construction plans to build within their store.

Motion by Beyer, second by Anderson to approve the Off Sale liquor License for Fareway Foods.
Unanimously approved.

- H. Olmsted County Equipment Agreement**- Hale presented the contract with Olmsted County, which covers equipment/operator if the city would need to use them. He noted just a slight increase in price from last year.

Motion by Uptagrafft, second by Oeltjen to approve the contract as submitted. Unanimously approved.

VII. MAYOR, STAFF AND CONSULTANTS REPORTS

A. Mayor- King commented on the following:

- Sympathy to the Families of: Maxine Bell, Carla Bonnerud, Charlotte Kath, Tom Thomforde, Judy Laabs, Roger Danielson, Dick Sackett, Norbert Rud, Cal Vrieze and Norman Sjarpe
- Happy 60th Birthday to Mark Petersen
- Special Happy Birthday to city engineer Jenna
- Happy 50th Anniversary to John and Diane Woodward
- Happy 60th Anniversary to Dick & Dory Yennie
- The Lions Club International has been in existence for 100 years! Congrats to our two local clubs for their strong membership and thank you for all that is done for Stewartville!
- STORM is coming! This is a Service to Others in Relational Ministry with 60 teens and 20 adults partnering with United Methodist Church to service Stewartville. If you need help around your home, please check the STAR for more details.

B. City Administrator–

- Bi-Weekly Report
- Limited dump hours during WWTP construction

C. Finance Director -

- Dedicating the TWINS plaque from the grant received on June 28th

D. Public Works Supervisor –

- Bi-Weekly Report

E. Library Director -

- No Report

F. Fire Chief Report –

- Monthly Report
- Removing the flashing lights by the fire hall
- Update on tanker truck
- Update on Fire – thanks to Spring Valley & Grand Meadow for assisting

G. City Engineer –

- Monthly Status Report

VIII. COMMITTEE, COMMISSIONS AND BOARD REPORTS

- A. Chamber of Commerce: Summerfest News
- B. EDA/HRA: Daycare Memo, Rideshare Memo, SMIF Grant Announcement
- C. Finance: Minutes of May 10th
- D. Library: No Report
- E. Park Board: Meeting Update
- F. Personnel: No Report
- G. Planning & Zoning: No Report
- H. Public Safety/Safety Committee: Calls for Service May 2017
- I. Public Works: Minutes of May 22nd
- J. RAEDI: Minutes of Feb 28th & April 25th
- K. ROCOG: BARD has been bought out – may open up the sale of property, RST looking at flights to Denver & Dallas, Angel Fund reached goal of \$1 million
- L. STEW180: No Report
- M. Transit Advisory Committee: No Report

IX. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Sheriff's Newsletter

X. RECOGNITION OF GUEST(S) OPEN MIC

XI. ADJOURN – Motion by Anderson, second by Oeltjen to adjourn. Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Roeder
City Clerk