

May 1, 2023

The regular meeting of the city council was called to order by Mayor Dave Witucki. Council members present were Tom Boeck, Gina Massop, KC Reuter and Tiffany Sevcik. Also present were Don Wolters, Patty Smith, Maria McCarty -SEH, and Tamara Dicks-Maple River Messenger.

Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Boeck and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Reuter to approve the minutes from the April 3, 2023, meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**Bills:** A motion was made by Reuter and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Massop to approve the bills.

City of Amboy                      Check 10930 – 10973 & EFT's 789E – 796E                      \$171,481.02

Smith had 3 additional bills Minnesota Pork \$19,260.00, Flow Measurement & Control \$1,152.00, and DSG Dakota Supply \$421.72. Motion carried unanimously.

**RO Update:** McCarty gave an update. No work is being done until the VFD issue is resolved. Witucki asked “what should we tell our residents on when to stop their salt contracts?” McCarty had no idea when the RO system would be completed, no update on timeline. The project is behind schedule and will not be completed by the June 15 date that was given in January. The council asked if there is any more work that could be done until the VFD's are installed. McCarty would review and see if anything else can be completed. A pay application 22-830-00014 for \$24,700.00 was presented to the council. A motion was made by Massop and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Boeck. Motion carried unanimously. The next construction meeting is on May 31.

**Liquor License Linda's Place:** A motion was made by Reuter and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sevcik to approve the Liquor License for Linda's Place. Motion carried unanimously.

**Clean Up Letters:** Wolters and Smith drove around Amboy and compiled a list of residents to send letters. The letters will remind them of the ordinance violations and the cleanup day for May 20. The resident may come to the June 5 meeting to discuss/set up clean up plan.

**Zoning:** Jessica Foley, 331 Maine Street requested a 6-month extension on her fence permit. A motion was made by Boeck and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Massop to approve a 6-month extension. Motion carried unanimously.

**Reports:** Wolters, Fire Department and Police submitted reports. Consolidated will be adding a line so the sensa phone will work. If there is a low level in the water tower, it will notify Wolters. Samples for Bacti and Fluoride are due in May. MN Rural water is working with Wolter and Smith to complete an Asset Management Plan. We are receiving this service for free as Amy with the Dept of Health recommended us to have it done. The water meter reader is not working all the time. The motherboard may be going bad. The cost of a motherboard is \$1000.00, and a new meter reader is \$4700.00. We should be able to reboot the old one to keep it working until the Reverse Osmosis system is online as that will give us a daily meter reading.

Fire Department had updated their by-laws. No questions from the council. A motion was made by Reuter and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Boeck to approve the Fire Department by-laws. Motion carried unanimously.

**MMUA Safety Group:** Amboy would join Mapleton, Lake Crystal and Wells in monthly safety meetings. These cover many topics that are OSHA required. The annual cost would be \$2300.00. A motion was made by Massop and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Reuter to approve Resolution 2023 – 2 Regional Safety Group. Motion carried unanimously.

**RO System:** Contractors would like to meet with the city to resolve the VFD issue. We did receive a quote from H2O for VFD's for \$28,877.23 and \$30,020.64. Witucki and Smith will meet with contractors on Wednesday May 3. The council will have a special council meeting on Monday, May 8 at 7:00 PM to discuss and/or make decisions on how to move this project forward.

**Miscellaneous:** City wide garage sales May 12 – 13, Lions Club Bake Sale May 12 1PM-6PM, City wide clean up May 20-Wolters will work this day and help residents, Appliance/Electronics Recycling June 6

**Open Comment:** Wolters commented on MMUA group, likes going to Truman. Smith asked about Pfeffer trimming trees in park, council said to call them. Smoke testing to be done this summer in the business area of Maine Street. MN Rural water will provide the smoke bombs, labor and equipment. Cost will be \$50.00 per manhole. Smoke testing helps find I & I. Reuter asked about recreational area, no date yet, Smith will contact Nielsen for an update.

A motion was made by Massop and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Boeck to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

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David Witucki, Mayor

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Patty Smith, Administrator, Clerk-Treasurer