

January 6, 2025

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor David Witucki. Council members were KC Reuter, Tom Boeck and Tiffany Sevcik. Absent were Gina Massop and Chris Kruse. Also present were Patty Smith, Don Wolters, and Tamara Dicks.

Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Swear in of Elected Officials: Smith swore in newly elected Dave Witucki, Mayor and Karl Reuter, Council. Massop will be sworn in at next meeting.

Minutes: A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by Boeck to approve the minutes from the December 2, 2024, meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Bills: Witucki questioned the mileage paid for training for a fire department member – why they did not use a city vehicle. Smith explained this is a budgeted expense, as a new fire department member has weekly training to become a certified fire fighter, and we have paid for this in past years. Smith will clarify with fire department on where training is being held for future expenses. A motion was made by Boeck and 2nd by Reuter to approve the bills.

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No additional bills. Motion carried unanimously.

Smith also gave the council a list of the investments ending December 31, 2024.

Public Hearing: No one was present for public hearing on variance for Benton.

Zoning: Peter Benton, 410 E Maine Street, submitted a zoning permit application with a variance to build a lean-to on east side of garage. A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by Boeck to approve the lean-to with the variance. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Committees and Other Designations: Discussion was held to add Boeck to the Employee Committee in case Massop or Witucki is not available. All other committees/designations will stay the same as 2024, with the mileage reimbursement being raised to \$0.70 per federal guidelines. A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by Sevcik to approve the list for 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Meeting Schedule 2025: A motion was made by Boeck and 2nd by Sevcik to approve the council meeting schedule for 2025.

Reports: Good job with the plowing. Lead and Copper testing is completed; waiting for State to see when money will be available for any residents' repairs. CIP tank is still leaking; Kruse is in contact with Joseph's Company, which should be under warranty as less than one year. Council appreciates the nice reports and the cooperation between Wolters and Kruse.

Income Levels for Reduced Sewer/Garbage: The income level was increased to \$21,000.00 in 2024 and we added one more resident. A motion was made by Boeck and 2nd by Sevcik to leave the income level for 2025 at \$21,000.00.

Resolution 2025 – 1 Smith’s Vacation Time: A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by Boeck to approve resolution 2025-1. Motion carried unanimously.

Outdoor Siren: Two bids were received for the new outdoor warning siren. Federal Signal for \$27,465.00 and Frontline Warning Systems for \$32,825.00. This siren will be relocated to the fire station and be on a pole with AC/DC power. A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by Boeck to approve the bid from Federal Signal for \$27,465.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Auditors: Does the council want an in-person report or zoom/remote report when audit is completed this year? Council is okay with having the report done remotely.

Open Comment: Reuter acknowledge the death of Denny Sonnabend, he was instrumental with the Lions Club in the building of the putting green/recreational area and will be missed in the community. Smith shared with council that Amboy will be hosting the Mayor/Clerk meeting on April 10, 2025, at 6:30 PM. Smith also shared the article written on the Amboy RO system, published in the MN Dept of Health quarterly magazine.

Miscellaneous:

Audit January 6 – 7 with Abdo and next council meeting will be February 3, 2025.

A motion was made by Boeck and 2nd by Sevcik to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

David Witucki, Mayor

Council

ATTEST:

Patty Smith, Administrator, Clerk-Treasurer