

Regular Meeting
May 11, 2021

The regular meeting of the Grey Eagle City Council was called to order by Mayor Joseph Arnzen at 7:00 p.m., on the 11th day of May 2021 in council chambers. Council members in attendance were Roland Ahrendt, Bill Pohlmann and Brian Hollenkamp. There were no council members absent. Also in attendance were John Call, Lori Hellmann and guests Rhonda Johnson, Larry Van Hout and Ralph Freeman.

A motion was made by Bill Pohlmann to approve the amended agenda. A second was made by Roland Ahrendt and upon vote, with all members voting in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Roland Ahrendt to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2021 meeting as written. A second was made by Brian Hollenkamp and upon vote, with all members voting in favor, motion carried.

Rhonda Johnson would like to donate her Viking statue in memory of her husband Kurt Johnson to the City of Grey Eagle and to have it placed at Bass Lake. A motion was made by Bill Pohlmann to approve having the Viking statue placed at Bass Lake with no cost to the City contingent on lake set back requirements from Todd County Planning & Zoning. A second was made by Roland Ahrendt and upon vote, with all members voting in favor, motion carried.

Larry Van Hout updated the council on the sewer project. The main focus has been on the sewer main installation on Highway 287. Once that portion is complete, then Riley Bros can come in and do the undercut and start preparing the north side of the road for pavement.

A motion was made by Bill Pohlmann to approve pay request #4 to C & L Construction for \$853,867.83. A second was made by Brian Hollenkamp and upon vote, with all members voting in favor, motion carried.

The following maintenance items were discussed:

1. A board on the fishing pier was replaced and the dock has been put in.
2. The snow plow is off and put away for the season.
3. The new flags have been put up and the volleyball nets have been put up.
4. Spraying at the ponds will take place sometime in the next week.
5. The council instructed that a junk yard be called to haul away the S10 pick up.
6. The council instructed that the tennis court nets should be put up.

The council received a request for use or purchase of the hurdles that are housed in the old concession stands. To sell them they would need to go out on bids. The council will allow the hurdles to be used but the interested party would need to call City Hall to have the concession stand unlocked.

A motion was made by Brian Hollenkamp to hire Jim Feldewerd to trap the gophers at the ponds for \$3/gopher. A second was made by Roland Ahrendt and upon vote, with all members voting in favor, motion carried.

The City received only one application for the part time/seasonal position. The Clerk was instructed to set a time for an interview.

The city wide clean- up day is May 15 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

The council discussed the storage shed moratorium. The council would like the City Attorney to provide them with a written list of options available to the City for further council review.

The revolving loan fund loan to Christy Browen is set to balloon after the June payment has been made. It was the consensus of the Council to approve an extension and instructed the Clerk to work with the City Attorney to get this done.

There is a tree at the south side of Lakeview Cemetery that the council would like flagged for removal. It is estimated that it will cost \$650 to remove the tree.

A motion was made by Brian Hollenkamp to hire Larry Hellmann to locate the curb stops and gate valves on the south side of the City ahead of the construction project for \$200. A second was made by Roland Ahrendt and upon vote, with all members voting in favor, motion carried.

The Clerk was instructed to advertise for the vacant council seat.

Tom Brinkman would like to build a 14' x 20' or 14' x 30' storage shed on a parcel of property currently own by a family member. With the moratorium in place the request had to be tabled until further information can be obtained from the City Attorney.

The Council is looking at costs to pave the streets that would not be done with the sewer project.

The Council discussed a donation request from Todd Wadena Community Corrections so they can purchase some needed equipment for the Sentence to Serve Program. Since the council already makes a yearly donation to the Todd Wadena Community Corrections, no further donations will be made at this time.

A motion was made by Roland Ahrendt to approve \$1/hour increase and an additional week of paid vacation for the City Clerk. A second was made by Bill Pohlmann and upon vote, with all members voting in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Bill Pohlmann to approve the payment of claims #2130 - #2150 for a total of \$30,790.91 and to include the addition to Hometown News for \$91.80. A second was made by Brian Hollenkamp and upon vote, with all members voting in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Brian Hollenkamp to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 p.m. A second was made by Bill Pohlmann and upon vote, with all members voting in favor, motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the Grey Eagle City Council will be held on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 in council chambers.

ATT:

Joseph Arnzen, Mayor

Lori Hellmann, Clerk