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MEETING OF May 9, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Webb. Councilmembers Bezdicek, Hamshar, Hinds, Public Works Chris Canaday, and the Town Clerk were in attendance.

The minutes of the April 25, 2022 meeting were read and approved as read.

The payables were presented to the Council for their review and discussion. The payables were moved by Hinds and seconded by Bezdicek. Motion carried by vote of the Council.

CL# 14480-14495 & EFT's PR# EFT's

\$ 5,081.88

\$ 2,474.27

Public Works discussed the need for a sewer camera. They have been renting a camera when in need, or using Rural Waters camera when they come down. This is expensive and sometimes there isn't a camera available for use with a 400 ft reach or other capabilities needed. Public Works would use a camera more if they had access. Quotes were given on cameras with the options that would be most beneficial. The camera that would best suit the needs of the town is \$10,860 not including tax. Approval to purchase camera was given with a motion from Hinds and seconded by Hamshar.

Conversation on road signs needed for the car show and beyond was initiated. The two road closed signs and 6 barricades that would be used by the Town would cost approximately \$700. With a motion from Hinds and second by Bezdicek it was approved to purchase said signs.

The topic of hydrants was discussed. There are 4 hydrants that are in immediate need of replacement to remain in good standing with the fire safety rating. The cost to replace the hydrants, gate valves and necessary parts with Public Works doing the work would be around \$17,250. Other hydrants could be added on Heglar Lane after the water project to loop together the two dead end lines which would fix water pressure and other issues. This topic will be revisited. Approval to move forward with the hydrant project was given with a motion from Hinds and seconded by Hamshar.

Public Works would like to attend a DPD Chlorine Analysis class in Auburn June 3rd. Cost of the Class is \$210 and motel around \$100. The Clerk would like to attend a TIB training in Colfax June 8 but would need to close the office for part of the day. Approval was given to have the Town cover the cost of the training for public works and the closure of the Clerks Office for a half day with a motion from Hamshar and seconded by Bezdicek.

Discussion on billing for 403 S Main ensued. When meters are read for the first time in April, public works reads all meters. 403 S Main had a higher read than when the account was first started. During discussion council agreed it is a possible meter problem. A new meter will need to be installed. A motion to write off the charge was made by Bezdicek and seconded by Hinds.

On Call agreement was signed for Century West. A motion to offer on call consulting to Century West Engineering was made by Smith and seconded by Bezdicek at the January $24^{\rm th}$ meeting.

Subject of the Willson Sunset Addition was discussed. Council is concerned with the pond for storm water runoff. Issues with standing water, mosquitoes, etc. Other issue to consider is connecting to the other road to avoid a cul-de-sac. This would be easier access for emergency vehicles, resident access, snow removal, etc.

The resident at 106 Margin has started a little clean up after the letter written by the Attorney was sent. Public Works will get some "before and after" pictures so the council has reference to progress. Council agreed they and Public Works would drive around town and compile a list of residents that will receive a letter regarding the condition of their property.

The School contacted Mayor Webb in regards to a greenhouse. They are wanting to apply for a Grant and would like to know what is needed to put a large greenhouse on the school property where the old one is. The council agreed that because anchors and such will be needed a building permit should be required.

The park project is underway and the grass has been removed from the baseball field portion of the park and now waiting for the next steps when AM Land Shaper returns to do the football field.

The council will look into getting estimates for a 30x40 roof pavilion to replace the rundown wooden gazebo currently in the park.

Resident Mike Thomas contacted councilmember on decision about the moving of the storage shed from last meeting. Council was in agreement Thomas would need to get a building permit as the integrity of the building could be compromised in the move.

No request for additional comments were stated and it was moved by Mayor Webb, seconded, and unanimously agreed to adjourn. The Meeting was adjourned at 7:49 PM.

F. Shani Hergert

CLERK – TREASURER

Michael G. Webb

MAYOR