**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**August 12, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Underwood City Council was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Persons present were Anna Kiser, Rick Jacobson, Tim Hammes, Todd King and Logan Solberg. Also present, Judy Everett, Anita Gumphrey and James Hanson.

A motion by Jacobson, seconded by Hammes was approved to accept the agenda and minutes. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

GUESTS: Dean Birkeland – Auditor, Bob Schlieman – Apex, Jon Frie -Fire Department, Tom Dreschel, TJ Pelanek

PUBLIC FORUM Dean Birkeland reported on the 2023 Audit. Motion to accept audit by King and seconded by Jacobson. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Bob Schlieman went over advantages of having a GIS Utility mapping subscription. The first year would be no charge, after that the cost would be $825.00 per year to have it on the office computer and the maintenance manager phone. Will re-visit if we want to subscribe for 2026. Motion to subscribe to the first year by Hammes and seconded by Solberg. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Jon Frie reported on the UFD retirement meeting and the possibility of purchasing a new pumper truck.

Tom Dreschel voiced concerns over the speeding on East Street and Cleveland. The council suggested putting in speed bumps over the summer. James will obtain a quote for installing speed bumps and signs.

CLERK/TREASURER REPORT

The following bills were approved by motion of King and seconded by Solberg: Checks #26190-26251; auto pays #97646-97676; total $145,876.60.

A motion by Hammes and seconded by Solberg to approve the gWorks upgrade. Annual subscription of $2,220.00 for the utility billing.

A motion by Solberg and seconded by King to approve Harley Whipps quitting her position of Liquor Store Clerk and the hiring of Val Ellingson to the position of Liquor Store Clerk. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

LIQUOR STORE REPORT

The new shed should be delivered in a couple of weeks and set on the NE side of the Liquor Store.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

Complaint from Ludwig regarding the boat dock. Per James, the dock was fixed the day after the complaint. Replaced axle with new.

A motion by Solberg and seconded by Hammes to approve the proposal from Ted’s Concrete for $2,160.00 to put new cement slab at the swimming dock. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

James talked to M & R Sign to make a sign of donors for the new dock. Asked them if they would donate it and put their name on. He has not heard back yet.

Edward Hawthorne had asked Judy to bring up the path to the boat dock. Maybe making it easier to walk on with a walker. (large rocks are hard to navigate). Mayor Kiser stated it was not in the budget this year but will re-visit.

PERSONNEL & SAFETY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

At 6:50 P.M. meeting was closed pursuant to M.S. §13D.05, sub. 3(b) for the purpose of complete confidentiality for the employees.

A motion by Solberg and seconded by King to close the meeting at 6:55 pm.

Regular meeting was re-opened at 7:30. No disciplinary action was taken.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

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Anna M Kiser City Clerk Judy Everett