City of Center Minutes of the Council Meeting March 3, 2021

The Center City Council met on Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall in Center, Missouri for their regular monthly meeting. Attending were: Mayor Dennis McMillen, Alderman Shawn Couch, Alderman Tom Bramblett, Alderman Steven Reynolds, Alderwoman Cristy Browning, and City Clerk Jeanne Franke. Attorney Joe Brannon was absent.

Mayor Dennis McMillen called the meeting to order and attendance was taken.

Approval of February Minutes and Agenda and Paying March bills: Alderman Tom Bramblett made a motion to approve the February minutes, March agenda and paying March bills. Alderman Steven Reynolds seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Add to Agenda: 1. More signage for NO Trucks on city streets. 2. Call in for Stop sign down Center & Broadway. Shane and Curt will repair Stop Sign.

Public Forum: No one signed to speak

OLD BUSINESS:

<u>Update - Old School Ball Field:</u> Ralls County RII School District has proposed deeding the old ball field and the Old Lions Club building to the City of Center for the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) with the stipulation they would continue to use the building until they are able to create a storage facility on their campus. The school would provide the insurance on the building and pay all related utilities until they turn it over to us. Mayor Dennis McMillen stated he has spoken with the Center Ball Association about their current agreement with the school. The Ball Association pays the school \$350.00 a year and the school in turn pays all the utilities. The terms with the City and Ball Association will need to be drawn up and approved. After discussion it was decided to obtain further information before the April meeting to draw up an agreement with the Center Ball Association.

Depot Update: Sharon Lake related to Jeanne Franke after further inspection of the roof on the old Depot that damage was much more extensive than originally expected and the cost was going to be over \$10,000. Sharon has plans for more fund raisers including a poker run on Salt River to raise more funds.

<u>Maintenance Report:</u> Shane Niffen stated he and Curt continue to inspect and clear sewer lines. They continue to have blockages due to baby wipes and other material that does Not break-down. Requested a notice be included on the next Waste Water invoices.

NEW BUSINESS:

Gravel for Lift Station: Rock desperately needed at Lift Station. Received bid from Mitch with Stuart Trucking included with packet. Alderman Shaw Couch made a motion to approve the bid from Stuart Trucking for rock, hauling, and spreading and smoothing out the rock with skid steer for approximately \$1000. (49.12 Tons 2" Clean Rock)

<u>Fire Department Annual Accident Policy for Firemen:</u> Alderwoman Cristy Browning made a motion to approve \$1,131.66 for the annual accident policy for the firemen. Alderman Tom Bramblett seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Park Building Refrigerator: Need estimates for replacing refrigerator at Park building.

Trash Contract: The city trash contract expires October 31st. Notification for bids should be posted on July 1,2021

Town Hall Keys: Replaced broken door knob at Town Hall with new for both front and back doors. After discussion it was decided for city clerk to keep list of person's having a key for regular use of public meetings.

Street Light North Main: Alderman Steven Reynolds made a motion to approve adding additional street-light on North Main, slightly north of Hwy 19. The original light was installed on wrong pole. Alderwoman Cristy Browning seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

<u>Used Maintenance Truck w/Plow:</u> Pictures and quote \$9,000 was shown to council. Table for now.

Additional Road Signage: 7 - "NO THRU TRUCKS"; 5 - "NOISE ORDINANCE ENFORCED" Still having trucks going down wrong streets and Jake brake noise. Alderwoman Cristy Browning made a motion to approve purchase of the 12 road signs. Alderman Shawn Couch seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

National Flood Insurance Program: Council agreed to have someone speak to council about the program.

Informational Items:

*Ralls County Commissioners hosted Economic Development meeting on Wed, April 1 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Court House. Alderman Tom Bramblett and City Clerk Jeanne Franke attended.

Next Council meeting will be May 5, 2021 at 6pm.

Alderman Steven Reynolds made a motion to adjourn the Council meeting. Alderwoman Cristy Browning seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Lunke
Jeanne Franke City Clerk