

City of Auburn

Council Minutes

January 4, 2016

Mayor Stamer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Present: Barb Stamer, Tom Appelt, Chris Warwick, Julie Barnhill, Tom Berola, Matt Gillock, Larry Hemmerle, Ed Madaus, Rod Johnson, Seth Williams, and Vic Devos, Jr. **Absent:** None.

Department Heads: Bruce Centko, Bill Karhliker, and Kristy Ponsler. **City Attorney:** Raylene Grischow.

I. Mayor's Comments

- a. Stamer asked the Auburn High School Student Council to lead the pledge of allegiance.
- b. Stamer reported that some books needed to be thrown away because of the leaky book drop. Gillock suggested that the mailbox be moved closer to the building so it would be away from the elements. Karhliker will have his workers look at it and make any repairs if they can.
- c. Stamer reported that the Chess Club now has 8 – 10 kids participating in the club.
- d. Stamer asked about the Safe Routes to School grant, the concern was raised because it is a matching grant and which routes would be selected to the three schools in town.

II. City Clerk's Report – Warwick

- a. Warwick presented the 12/21/15 meeting minutes for the council's review and approval. A motion was made by Williams to approve the meeting minutes and destroy the recorded copy, second by Gillock. **Voice Vote: AYE: Julie Barnhill, Tom Berola, Matt Gillock, Larry Hemmerle, Ed Madaus, Rod Johnson, Seth Williams, and Vic Devos, Jr. NAY: None. ABSENT: None. (8-0-0-0).**
- b. Warwick requested funding to attend a Municipal Clerk's Meeting in Bloomington on January 29th at a cost of \$80 for himself and \$80 for Deputy Clerk Ponsler. A motion was made Berola to approve the expense plus mileage, second by Johnson. **AYE: Julie Barnhill, Tom Berola, Matt Gillock, Larry Hemmerle, Ed Madaus, Rod Johnson, Seth Williams, and Vic Devos, Jr. NAY: None. ABSENT: None. (8-0-0-0).**

III. City Treasurer's Report - Appelt

- a. Appelt presented the Bills List from 12/19/15 to 01/04/16 for the council's review and approval. A motion was made by Johnson to approve the Bills List from 12/19/15 to 01/04/16, second Madaus. **Voice Vote: AYE: Julie Barnhill, Tom Berola, Matt Gillock,**

Larry Hemmerle, Ed Madaus, Rod Johnson, Seth Williams, and Vic Devos, Jr. **NAY: None. ABSENT: None. (8-0-0-0).**

IV. Attorney – Grischow

- a. No Report.

V. Visitors

- a. Hemmerle presented the sign that will be posted on the City Square Park recognizing the Auburn High School Student Council for adopting the park.

VI. Department Heads

- a. Centko

- i. No Report.

- b. Karhliker

- i. Karhliker reported that the new community electronic sign will be installed tomorrow 01/05/16.

- c. Ponsler

- i. Ponsler provided a clarification on the Auburn Community Center furnace and the Police Station air conditioner repairs/replacements. She noted that for the Police Station, Snell Plumbing and Heating's quote included a replacement of the duct work along with the A/C unit and Steve Howard's bid is just replacing the switch and A/C unit. A motion was made by Madaus to appropriate \$2698.00 for the replacement of A/C Unit by Steve Howard at the Police Station, second by Barnhill. **AYE: Julie Barnhill, Tom Berola, Matt Gillock, Larry Hemmerle, Ed Madaus, Rod Johnson, Seth Williams, and Vic Devos, Jr. NAY: None. ABSENT: None. (8-0-0-0).**

VII. Committee Reports

- a. Administration

- i. Berola reported that the City will keep the current health insurance that was used in 2015 until April 30th in 2016. Berola made a motion to rescind the new insurance coverage, second by Hemmerle. **Voice Vote: AYE: Julie Barnhill, Tom Berola, Matt Gillock, Larry Hemmerle, Ed Madaus, Rod Johnson, Seth Williams, and Vic Devos, Jr. NAY: None. ABSENT: None. (8-0-0-0).**
 - ii. Berola made a motion to continue the group health insurance that was used in 2015 through April 30th, 2016; second by Williams. **Voice Vote: AYE: Julie**

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iii. Berola announced that there will be an Administration meeting on Wednesday 01/20/16 at 7:00 PM regarding group health insurance.

b. Public Works

i. Johnson noted that Public Works committee will be looking into the infiltration numbers for the city's water supply. Johnson would like to review the current loss numbers.

c. Public Utilities

i. No Report.

d. Health & Safety

i. Gillock reported that there will be a Committee meeting regarding Leaf Burning on Wednesday 01/06/16 at 7:00 PM.

ii. Barnhill asked if the Group Housing ordinance has been drafted, Grischow stated she will be working on it.

e. Health & Housing

i. Berola reported that the Old Cinderella Beauty Salon at 106 East Madison Street should be secured by the end of the week.

ii. The property at 413 North 1st Street was supposed to be fixed, Berola will check and report back to the council.

f. Parks

i. No Report.

VIII. Adjournment

a. A motion to adjourn was made by Berola at 7:54 PM; second by Devos. **Voice Vote: AYE: Julie Barnhill, Tom Berola, Matt Gillock, Larry Hemmerle, Ed Madaus, Rod Johnson, Seth Williams, and Vic Devos, Jr. NAY: None. ABSENT: None. (8-0-0).**

Respectfully Submitted,

Christopher Warwick
City Clerk

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