

CITY OF STANWOOD

Stanwood City Council met in regular session on 5/8/2023, at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers. Council present: Tharp, Rottman, Knapp, Sawyer and Deppe. Also present: Clerk VonBehren, Sue Hall, Richard Meyer, Dakota Adams, Warren Wethington, PWD Tim Schultz, Megan Mallie, Jim Seago and Linda Coppess.

Mayor McAtee called the meeting to order at 7:00

Consent Agenda: Motion by Sawyer, seconded by Rottman to approve agenda as posted, prior minutes, claims, finance report. All ayes.

Visitors- Jim Seago requested the utility bill due date be changed. He is not paid until the end of the month and the door postings go out on the last business day of the month. The council stated changing the day might work for some but not others and offered other suggestions to him to avoid the door postings.

Reports

Mayor: McAtee attended the EMQ/911 and crime stoppers meeting

Clerk/Zoning: Clerk VonBehren reported the solar panels are operating, the generators are installed and working great. The lead line inventory surveys were sent out, there will be a EMC insurance payroll audit on May 24th. The city is eligible for \$3864.23 in administrative costs from the Derecho disaster and she is working on completing that for repayment.

PWD: Schultz has switched companies for chlorine, both restrooms are open for the summer at the park and a tree got removed from the city right of way due to it partially falling during the last windstorm. He will be purchasing a new sprayer and a diesel transfer tank for the back of the truck using equipment funds that are still available.

Sheriff: Report from April showed 138 calls for service and 98 calls for service in May. Wethington reported helping covering West Branch and contract cities and being at the schools.

Park: 7 rentals in May

Fire: Dakota Adams reported storm watch and mutual aid with Mechanicsville. They hosted the egg hunt last month and 1 member has resigned.

Library: Megan Mallie reported the library has 332 visitors in April. They hosted the Easter Bunny and received a grant for a study on expanding or remodeling. They have the summer reading program coming up and several programs and activities for the summer.

EMS: Linda Coppess thanked the Council for the appreciation luncheon. 2 members are completing their AEMT program, and discussion was held on what the council is looking for in the Handbook. They would like to see segregation of duties pertaining to coordinator, inventory, maintenance, secretary and treasurer, and the standard operating procedure of who is responsible for what. There are still 2 members on the board that need to be filled, and a request to rent a room from the Stanwood Union church for \$50 a month was approved. The request for mileage reimbursement needs to be completed on the correct form.

Council: Rottman attended the Cedar County Foundation Grant board meeting.

New Business

The Fire agreement with Fremont township has not been returned, Linda Coppess stated it was the same as last year, City requested it still be signed and returned. Motion made by Knapp, seconded by Deppe to not approve the proposal from Acme Electric to install ethernet cabling to the new generators, Ayes:5. Motion by Tharp, seconded by Deppe to approve proposal from Acme Electric for a yearly service agreement for 5 generators the city owns.

Old Business

Clerk attended the court hearing on the nuisance property at 201 E. Center Street. The property owner will have 120 days to replace windows and the roof will need to be replaced by October 2024 and the siding by October 2025, the lawn also will stay under 8 inches for the duration of the year. A progress hearing will be scheduled. Clerk was directed to start sending noticed for junk vehicles and doors will be posted for weed control.

Schedule next meeting: Next regular meeting was scheduled for Monday June 12th, 2023 at 7:00PM

Adjournment: Motion by Rottman, to adjourn at 8:35pm., second by Tharp, all ayes.


Dustin McAtee, Mayor

ATTEST:


Stephanie VonBehren, City Clerk