

City of New Market

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, May 04, 2017

Meeting called to order by Pro Tem Mayor Jim Radke at 7:04 pm.

Present: Jim Radke, Paul Gruber, Gary Reeve, and Bob Riddle.

Absent: Charles Hobbick

Also present: City Superintendent Mark Hargis and City Clerk Angie Tracy

Motion to approve the agenda made by Bob Riddle, seconded by Gary Reeve, 3 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Motion to approve the City Minutes from the April 2017 Council Meeting was made by Gary Reeve, seconded by Bob Riddle, 3 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Barbara Parker submitted a building permit to the Council in order to build a fence on her property. Bob Riddle made a motion to approve the building permit upon Mayor Sefrit's inspection of the property with a second from Gary Reeve. The motion was carried with unanimous vote.

Fire Chief Jason Strough was not in attendance and therefore no report from the Fire Department.

City Attorney Jim Varley was not in attendance and therefore no report on any issues.

City Superintendent Mark Hargis reported the Main Street Repair project has been delayed. Blacktop Services has not started their asphalt machinery yet. Geer Sanitation is going to be getting the City a date for trash collection the week of July 4th. The City will send out notices to residents before the end of May. Superintendent Hargis reported on the sewer and water testing results being off for April. Hargis is working with the State and the City's water source regarding additional testing and fixes. He will keep the Council posted. Hargis is also getting bids on grounding the electrical outlets for the City Park.

City Clerk Angie Tracy informed the Council that the final payments for the FY15 Sewer Project have been sent. Tracy reported on the changes Bank Iowa is making to service charges and fees in regards to dormant accounts. Gary Reeve made a motion to close the City bank accounts that are not being used on a monthly basis. Tracy will transfer the money into the General Account and keep track of the funds through sub-accounts in the Accounting software. The motion was seconded by Bob Riddle and the motion carried with unanimous vote.

Floor was opened for Old Business.

The Council decided to start the process of creating a website for the City. Clerk Tracy reported the Fire Department, Museum, Civic Club, and Women who Care may be adding information to the site in the future.

The Council decided to put the Continental Bids off until Mayor Sefrit is in attendance.

Floor was opened for New Business.

The Council decided they will not be approving any special consideration in regards to water billing.

Councilman Reeve discussed concern in regards to the drainage ditch located between 3rd St and Adams. Water is collecting in the ditch. Superintendent Hargis is going to be looking into fixing the problem.

Councilman Radke discussed the maintenance and stocking of the Pavilion restrooms over the Fourth of July weekend. Councilman Riddle will be checking with the Fourth of July Committee.