

CITY OF AMBOY
COUNCIL MEETING
April 16, 2018

Mayor John Schamberger called the Regular meeting of the Amboy City Council to order and the council and audience stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

WARD 1: Brett Dewey

Eric McLaughlin

WARD 2: Dennis Weidman

Bill Bontz

WARD 3: Daryl Stuckemeyer

Dave Shaw

MINUTE'S APPROVED-The minutes from the March regular city council meeting were presented. Motion to approve the minutes by Aldermen McLaughlin and Dewey. Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT APPROVED- City Treasurer Nancy Neal submitted the financial report. Making a motion to approve the reports as presented was made and seconded by Aldermen Dewey and Bontz. Carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS APPROVED- A list of outstanding bills, involving city accounts as prepared by the city clerk's office was submitted. Making a motion to approve the bills as presented was made by Aldermen Weidman and McLaughlin. Carried.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COMMUNITY BUILDING-Alderman McLaughlin –Discuss floor bids in new business.

DEPOT MUSEUM-Alderman Shaw reported the museum is open for the season.

E.S.D.A-Alderman Dewey reported that the siren will be activated for tornados, high winds and thunderstorms. April 21st the Amboy Fire Dept., Amboy Police Dept. and Lee County Emergency Management will be hosting a safety day at the Amboy Fire Station. They will have fingerprinting for children, car seat checks, weather safety information, fire truck rides, fire extinguisher demos, and more giveaways.

PARK-Alderman Bontz- No Report.

LIBRARY-Alderman Weidman reported the library board met April 10th and approved the new budget.

COMMITTEE MEETING-Alderman Dewey reported the council members discussed the budget, sewer rates, sump pumps and properties that need to be demolished.

MAINT/STREET DEPT-Alderman McLaughlin reported the generator has been installed at the new city maintenance building and office.

WATER/SEWER DEPT-Alderman Stuckemeyer reported the Sensitive effluent numbers have risen and Dale Simpson will setup a meeting to review the readings.

CONCERNS FROM THE AUDIENCE-Darlene Hinkle wanted to let everyone know that it's that time again for the name the street program. This is the 21st year of doing the street and bids are due April 26th.

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Community Building Bids- New Flooring –Motion to Table the item made by Aldermen Shaw and Stuckemeyer. All Approved.

Approve Main Street-Downtown Bids-Street Resurfacing –Martin & Co \$123,980.99 Motion to Approve Martin & Company Bid \$123,980.99 made by Aldermen Weidman and McLaughlin. All Approved.

Approve 2018-2019 Annual Budget-Motion to Approve Annual Budget made by Aldermen McLaughlin and Bontz. All Approved.

Approve Rich Schrock & Emmitt Hicks .25 Raise-Spraying Certification Class –Motion to Approve Rich Schrock & Emmitt Hicks .25 Raise made by Aldermen Bontz and Dewey. All Approved.

Approve Full Time Employee Raise .50 -Motion to Approve Full Time Employee Raise .50 made by Aldermen Weidman and McLaughlin. All Approved.

Approve Resolution Adopting Amendment Employee Insurance –Alderman Weidman explained the change was for the city to pay 80% of the health insurance for city employees. The budget committee checked with many municipalities and the city was below the average among other cities. Motion to Approve Resolution Adopting Amendment Employee Insurance made by Aldermen Weidman and McLaughlin. All Approved.

Discuss Sewer Improvements-The sewer rates for the city billing are covering expenses. The city will need to add more aeration to the ponds and other improvements. If the city decided to make more improvements the rate may have to be increased to cover those costs.

Building Inspectors Report-Permits issued one fence, garage roof and siding.

ATTORNEY CONCERNS-The city building codes will be update at the next city council meeting. The current code is from 2006 and the new code will be 2015. The codes will be consistent with other municipalities in our area.

COUNCIL CONCERNS

Alderman Shaw-Welcomes the Dollar General. The speed limit sign may be moved due to more traffic.

Alderman Weidman-Welcomes the Dollar General and nice to be able to shop local.

Alderman Dewey-Nothing.

Alderman McLaughlin-The city council is making improvements on our downtown buildings and streets. It's nice to see it looking better and business is staying in town.

Alderman Bontz-Nothing.

Alderman Stuckemeyer-Attended the Dollar Store grand opening and many people were there when it opened.

MAYOR CONCERNS-Thanks to Tonja and The Amboy News for the sump pump write up. Thanks to the city council for meeting last week and reviewing the budget and employee insurance changes. The YMCA project has a survey that needs to be completed that includes fitness, nutrition and daycare. Thursday night will be the BAH at the Longbranch Saloon at 5:30pm. City cleanup will be April 26th-30th.

With no further business to come before the council the meeting adjourned at 7:22p.m.

Submitted by

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