

Rolfe Rescheduled Regular Council Meeting/Public Hearing  
Tuesday August 11, 2020  
Rolfe Community Center, 5:30pm

Mayor Tom Andersen called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm and took roll call. Council present Jon Wellik, Ryan Peters, Carrie Frerk and Kris Trenary absent Rick Jones. Meeting was rescheduled due to power outage in town. Trenary had questions on balance sheet, budget and revenue reports and vendors.

Wellik/Peters moved to approve consent agenda including agenda, bills, corrected July 13, 2020 and building permit for Sindergard's. All ayes.

De Sindergard gave treasurer's report for June and July 2020. Everything seems to be correct.

Peters/Ferk to approved treasurer's report. All ayes.

Council comments- Frerk had question on a fence. Trenary had questions on Schoon cutting down trees. Questions on street projects.

City Clerk had received calls why the boil advisory wasn't put on the Rolfe channel. Clerk told council we have had issues with the city announcements not being placed on the TV channel and the announcements page of the website.

Mayor welcomed Kris Trenary to the council. No utility reports.

Citizen comments – Dan Allen raised concerns to Kris Trenary about an issues.

Mayor gave update on radar signs and since we couldn't get quotes with talking to council is having the Machine Shop do the work.

Mayor called to enter the Public Hearing on Purchasing Real estate at 6:01pm. Discussion on purchasing 320 Garfield Street in the amount of \$6000.00. With no other written or oral comments Mayor closed the public hearing at 6:05pm. Wellik/Ferk moved to approve Resolution #659 to purchase property owned by Stella Samson. Ayes: Peters, Wellik, Trenary and Frerk.

Chief Deputy Steve Nelson addressed council with contracting for police protection. Rolfe could have a dedicated person at 20 hours a week for \$60,000 a year. Council would also like code enforcement. Concerns of non-emergency calls. Discussion on other options for police protection. Mayor seems there is a consensus of the council to move forward with Sheriff's department and appointed Carrie Frerk and Kris Trenary to committee and will also talk with Jones to see if he would like to be on it.

Travis Schoon addressed the council about his proposal to do tree trimming by the streets for the City. He currently does this for other cities. Discussion on prices and what the city workers are able to do each year. This year couldn't get inmates due to Covid to help with tree trimming. Wellik/Ferk moved to hire Travis Schoon to do the tree trimming from Des Moines Avenue to the East from curb side up. All ayes. City Attorney joined meeting at 6:45pm.

Ashley Card not present – no action taken

Mayor gave update on memorial tree. Taylor Aden asked council if could wait until tree was in a dormant state to relocate. Peters/Wellik moved to have a new location by October and moved by the end of November. All ayes.

Council reviewed the Street Financial Report to be submitted to the IOWADOT. Questions and discussion. Wellik/Peters moved to approve Resolution #660 for the FY19/20 Street Financial Report. Ayes: Peters, Wellik, Trenary and Frerk.

Ferk had questions on maintaining and upkeep of city parks and building's. Most are maintained by city workers and volunteer work. Mayor added to bring in Cleanup days to the discussion. Couldn't do cleanup day due to Covid. Possible cleanup day/yard cleanup day for all properties using volunteers. Council will look into it.

Council reviewed letter from IADNR about having Wastewater Lagoon operator by August 13, 2021. Council will respond back that a current employee will be properly certified by August 13, 2021.

Discussion of Trick or Treat night during the pandemic. Discussion on ideas. Clerk will keep on agenda and council will address each month as they watch how the return to learn and Covid impact the School system.

Clerk gave update on Nuisance abatements particularly properties they city will be acquiring. City attorney Greg Stoebe discussed with council the procedure with purchasing Samson building.

Discussion on Welter nuisance abatement. There also was discussion on liability insurance from Dan Allen at the water tower property. Discussion on other issues.

Wellik/Peters moved to adjourn at 8:22pm. All Ayes.

Mayor, Tom Andersen

ATTEST:

City Clerk, Angela Montag