

Rolfe Regular Council Meeting/Public Hearing
Monday July 12, 2021
Rolfe Community Center, 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Tom Andersen called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Mayor took roll call. Council present Ryan Peters, Jon Wellik, Rick Jones, Kris Trenary and Carrie Frerk. Also present City Attorney Greg Stoebe.

Wellik/Peters moved to approve consent agenda including, agenda, and bills 6/23/21 & 6/28/21 minutes and building permit for Brad Biggs. All ayes.

De Sindergard gave treasurer's report. Frerk/Trenary moved to approve report. All ayes.

Council comments- Frerk would like to add council comments again at end of meeting. Peters/Ferk to add council comments at end of agenda. Wellik informed the council of the Emerald Ash Borer found at Sunset Ridge. Trenary – talked about citizen having allegations towards council members. Trenary referenced Iowa code section 718.3 and 718.4 and action will be taken against those individuals.

Clerk will be at academy July 28th – 30th. Clerk gave dates for city election and where candidates can get election papers and where to turn in. Clerk also stated that Shannon Peters is resigning from her positions, cleaning contract for community center, CPO/Manager of pool and her position on Park and Recreation Board.

Mayor commented the Greater Rolfe Days considering the weather was a success and a good weekend. Mayor thanked Dan Allen for his work on Sunset Ridge restoration project.

No utility reports.

De Sindergard – communication with residents about needing a permit for chickens. Safety concerns about unlicensed ATV/UTV/Golf carts and seeing unlicensed drivers driving them all over. Jan Westergard is interested in the Park and Recreation board opening. Mary Allen also concerned about ATV's riding down Highway 15. Mary would also like to be considered for the Park and Recreation Board. Board members should do their part. They are still taking donations for the restoration and thanked those who have donated.

Radar Signs – Mayors son-in-law has the materials he needs to start to put the signs together. Bare metal will need to be painted. Question on timeline.

Sheriff Nelson gave update to council everything is going smoothly. Nelson discussed ATV/UTV issues.

Matt Welter appeared before the council for his evidentiary hearing. Mr. Welter passed out information to council and Mayor. Mr. Welter discussed with council on the nuisance abatement on Des Moines Street. City Attorney read court order. Council discussed some issues addressed. Peters/Ferk moved to return Mr. Welter's property and Peters will personally make sure it is within the ordinance standards. Ayes: Peters, Jones and Frerk. Nays: Trenary and Wellik. Carried.

Peters/Ferk moved to waive the fees and not assess or bill. Ayes: Peters, Trenary and Frerk. Nays: Wellik and Jones. Carried.

There were no bids submitted to sell real property, no public hearing or action taken at this time.

Frerk/Trenary moved to approve a permit to Jesus Negrete for 4 hens and 2 ducks. All ayes.

Nikole Bennett's daughter Macy asked council for livestock permit for her 5 show goats and a cow. She shows goats for FFA and 4H and they will keep the property up kept. Jones/Peters moved to approve livestock permit. All ayes.

Frerk/Jones moved to approve water heater rebate for Sindergard's. All ayes.

Frerk/Jones moved to approve water heater rebate for Wolcott's. All ayes.

Discussion on 320 Garfield Street. Did not receive the grant. Trenary/Wellik moved to get multiple bids to tear down the building. All ayes.

Al Sroufe not present.

Council discussed waster/water contracting out. Frerk/Wellik moved to hire Cody Rogers for our

wastewater until a new water/wastewater operator is hired and properly trained. Ayes: Peters, Wellik, Jones, Trenary and Frerk.

Council would like to interview applicant #3. Interview will be set up for July 14th in community center at 5:00pm with interview starting at 5:15pm.

No hiring resolution.

Clerk explained to council possible water and sewer projects that can be used for the American Rescue Plan money. Jones/Peters moved to use American Rescue Plan for water tower repairs. Ayes: Peters, Wellik, Jones, Trenary and Frerk.

Discussion on audit. Fiscal year just ended city could be chosen by state auditor for audit exam. Going forward the city will have to have one every year. Jones/Trenary moved to wait to see if the city gets drawn by State Auditor. All ayes.

No action on nuisance abatements due to having an ordinance workshop on July 19th

Jones/Peters moved to adjourn at 7:35pm. All ayes.

Mayor, Tom Andersen

ATTEST:

City Clerk, Angela Montag