## Wymore City Council Meeting December 16th, 2020

The Wymore City Council met in open and public session on December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020, in the Community Center. The meeting was called to order at 7:02. Present were Councilpersons Curt Oblinger, Neil VanBoening, Max Allen, and Sue Sapp, City Attorney Andy Carothers, and Tim Sedlacek joined via phone. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by posting in three places: Wymore Post Office, Arbor State Pharmacy, and the City Office. Notice was given to the Mayor and Council and their acknowledgement of receipt is attached. All other proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was open to the public.

Motion by Max, second by Curt to approve minutes from December 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. Carried 4-0 Motion by Curt, second by Sue, to approve claims and payroll. Carried 4-0

## **Public Comment:**

Mark Meints said that he received a call from Lisa Wiegand, Gage County Emergency Manager, about COVID vaccines for Wymore's first responders. The Wymore Volunteer Fire Dept, EMS Dept, and Police Dept are on the list as Tier 1 recipients for the vaccine. They believe vaccines will arrive at Beatrice Community Hospital by Friday Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> and will be available for our first responders after Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>. Melissa asked if this list was separate from the call the office received from DHHS, inquiring about how many city employees would be interested in the vaccine, as essential employees. Mark said the emergency responders would be listed under emergency management and city employees will be listed with the DHHS list.

Neil VanBoening shared that our local Kiwanis group applied for and received a Norris grant in the amount of \$1500. This grant will be used for the purchase of additional security cameras which will be placed on the new bathroom/concession stands, in McCandless Park, after completion.

Librarian Janet Roberts was in attendance to present the 2 new library to the council for approval. Austin Jackson and Monica Sedlacek have been hired to fill the 2 part time positions Janet has open at the library. Both will begin working in January and have shown interest in Janet's position as librarian when the time comes that she decides to retire. Motion by Sue, second by Max to approve Austin Jackson and Monica Sedlacek, as new library employees. Motion carried 4-0

Mark provided the council with a letter from Continental Western Group, that said there are issues with the roof at the Fire Hall, however, the insurance company feels it is from "roof workmanship and maintenance issues', therefore it will not cover the cost of repair. Mike suggested that we have Tim take a look and then plan on having a crew come in the Spring to make repairs. Mark said in the meantime he has great concerns about the gutters leaking over the main entrances of the fire hall, which leads to very icy patches, that pose a risk of injury to everyone entering and leaving. Max agrees that repairs need to be done, he wondered when it should be done and if insurance will pay. City attorney Carothers pointed out the letter states insurance will not plan on paying for these repairs, it's a closed claim, all expenses will be out of pocket. There was discussion about why this is the only city owned building on a different insurance plan, as it's not currently covered by LARM. Based on previous conversations LARM will cover the building, but none of the equipment or contents, so that would need to be a different policy. It was decided that maybe contact should be made with LARM and also Jone's Insurance, who both hold other policies for the city, to see about adding the Fire Hall to one of them. Mike asked Tim if he and the city guys could take a look at the gutters, and come up with a temporary fix, until everything can be done in the Spring.

The council members received some information in their packets about the upcoming 2021 Clerks School being held in Grand Island in March. Melissa explained this is a good opportunity for training for her and Janet. Some discussion was held on who would be available to cover the office if both attended training. Tim said he thought himself and one of the other guys would be available to cover office. However, if that doesn't work, just Janet will be sent to the training. Motion made by Max, second by Sue, to allow both Janet and Melissa to attend 2021 Clerk School. Motion carried 4-0.

American Legal Publishing Corporation is the business which prints our new ordinance pages to keep our ordinance book up to date. We recently asked if they would be able to link our ordinances onto our website. They said that service is available and sent a price quote that was shared with the council. For a one time fee of \$595, they can add a link to our current city website which would be a searchable index of all current ordinances. There is an annual record keeping fee of \$350. Andy was curious if the same could be done with our zoning information. So that will be looked into and info passed on to council when received. Max suggested that the ordinance book be gone through and updated, as far as removing anything antiquated, before it being put online. Council and Andy agreed with this as well. Neil asked if there are other companies that can provide this service. There is a company out of Neligh, but Andy doesn't believe they offer the option to put things online.

Andy said there are no new updates on dilapidated properties. Motion by Max to adjourn at 745 PM.

Milton Pike Mayor

Melissa Wach, Deputy City Clerk