

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the City Council of the City of Rutledge in the County of Pine and the State of Minnesota including all accounts audited by said Council.

May 5, 2021

Meeting called to order at 5:03 p.m. by Mayor Kaminski with all members present. Also present is Kerry Babcock.

Motion to accept minutes as read by Darryl Herzog 2nd by Angie Eckerman, All approved.

Treasurer's report: \$170,709.90 in all accounts with the general fund total being \$151,026.20.

Motion to accept the treasurers report as read by Angie Eckerman 2nd by Tim Johnsen. All approved.

The city streets were swept, the county paid for it. It took 6 hours longer than expected.

Hwy 61 is being redone this summer; they will be starting on the south side of Rutledge to the Carlton County line.

Streetlights have been updated to LED.

The community center parking lot is tore up from cars spinning around, may need to look into getting cameras up if this continues.

Motion to order weed killer for the ball field by Angie Eckerman, 2nd by Tim Johnsen. All approved.

Question on the liability insurance for the city if we buy the property across from the End Zone.

Discussion of possible grant funding to help with building cleanup.

Talk to the Lions about bleachers for the ballfield.

Motion to pay bills by Angie Eckerman, 2nd by Tim Johnsen, All approved.

Discussed a wise camera system- \$20 for 2 weeks of cloud storage, if we could hard wire it in we would need to hire an electrician.

Discussed the property that was tax forfeited, cost, benefits and downfalls.

Motion to purchase the tax forfeited property by Darryl Herzog 2nd by Tim Johnsen. All approved.

Received one demolition bid for the tax forfeited property.

David Gerard Excavating- \$28,500.00

Motion to approve the bid from David Gerard Excavating in the amount of \$28,500 to clean up the tax forfeited property by Darryl Herzog, 2nd by Tim Johnsen, All approved.

Received two bids for the lawn mowing:

Advance Lawn Care \$395 per mowing and \$450 for cleanup. Mow weekly.

Eaton's Lawn Care \$375 per mowing (without the lot across from End Zone) and \$150-\$500 for cleanup, determined by what needs to be done. Mow as needed.

Motion to accept Eaton Lawn Care bid for mowing by Angie Eckerman, 2nd Tim Johnsen, All approved.

There will be a ball team this year and a schedule will be provided to Eaton's.

Garden club stated that they may be able to help with the spring cleanup next year.

Kerry Babcock would like to read the minutes after each meeting is approved. Requested a policy be enacted to ensure timely accessibility online.

Council agreed to a one-week posting deadline.

Kerry also requested that the budget and any other official documents be posted.

Council agreed to all relevant city documents will be posted to the website also.

Motion to adjourn by Tim Johnsen, 2nd by Angie Eckerman. All approved

Attest:

Lynnette Hischer

Clerk