

Sept 5, 2017

Pilot Mound, Iowa 50223

Council met in regular session with the following council members present: Heslop, Crouch, Conis, and Acuff. Lass absent. Mayor Burton presided.

Motion by Conis, seconded by Acuff to approve the minutes and treasurer's report. Unanimous vote.

Communication: Boone Area Humane Society asked for a 5% raise in the cost of service with the 2018 contract. Motion to approve the contract made by Acuff, second by Heslop. Unanimous vote to approve.

A letter was received from the City's lawyer regarding to derelict properties in town. It was suggested that the City proceed with Chapter 45 and document issues with the buildings on the property and Johnson Law Office will inform the homeowners.

The report was issued from the follow up on the audit recommendations. The Clerk will continue to work on improving items we are able to correct with our limited personnel and resources.

August Enterprises returned the findings on the asbestos testing on the old city hall and fire station. They found 2 contaminated items and also recommended disposing or removal of extra water pipe the city has stored. The cost for the removal was \$4750. Motion to approve the bid for removal of all asbestos containing materials was made by Conis. Seconded by Acuff. Unanimous approval. The work will take between 2-4 days. If work needs to be done to repair or replace water lines the Council and Judy Bennett agreed that it would be with another material such as plastic water pipe.

New Business: The new (to us) John Deere 40/20 tractor was bought at auction for \$10,000. Tire chains and forks were also purchased for \$45. Motion to approve the accessory purchase was made by Conis, second by Acuff. Unanimous vote to approve. The new tractor has already been used 3 times. Bennett suggested a battery tender. Motion to purchase a battery tender made by Acuff and seconded by Crouch. All in favor.

The old tractor can now be sold. Dobson who is currently storing the tractor offered to forgive the bill for the work he has already done on it and pay us \$330 for the tractor. The Clerk will be calling to discuss the offer with him.

Trick-or-Treat will be from 5pm to 7pm on October 31st.

Resolution #138 to approve The City Street Report. Yes Conis, Acuff, Crouch, and Helsop. No - The park border is now completed on 3 sides thanks to Mayor Burton, Bennett, and the 4-H chapter. The fourth side will be installed after pea rock is added. Burton got a quote of \$26.30 a ton and to add about 3 inches of rock the park will need about 38 tons. More quotes will be solicited before a decision on the contractor is decided. Motion to approve the purchase of 38 tons for the lowest cost (not to exceed \$26.30 a ton) made by Conis. Second by Crouch. Unanimous approval.

The city well has a collapsed cap and R & R well has been called to help Bennett with the work in repairing the well. The repairs will hopefully be made soon. R&R suggested some ways to keep things in better condition, such as not keeping the chlorine in the same building.

The water tower was cleaned on the 19th and everything went very smooth.
An electrician will be coming to look at the light pole at the pumphouse to see if it can be relocated to make room for a driveway to access the land we own that surrounds the pumphouse.

Old Business: Lindgren Excavating provided a bid to remove the old fire station and City hall for about \$16,000 this number didn't include the amount of dirt work the \$20,000 bid from Wiscup's did. The Clerk will be calling to get the approximate amount for the additional dirt work so the bids could be compared.

Motion by Acuff, second by Conis to approve paying the bills. Unanimous vote.

Motion by Heslop, second by Crouch to adjourn. Unanimous vote.

Next Meeting will be 6pm Tuesday Oct, 3st 2017 at City Hall