

Plummer City Council Meeting
March 10, 2011

The Regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Tim Clark.

Present: Tim Clark, Mayor
Terry Allen, Council President
John Wheaton, Council
Tim Stockdale, Council
Jannette Taylor, Council

All Present

Also present: Rod Willard, Rich Christensen, Les Hall, JoAnn Conner, Melanie Meagher, & Guests.

AMEND AGENDA Terry Allen made a motion to amend agenda and add totaled police car. Jannette Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA. Terry Allen made a motion to move payables and to approve all remaining consent agenda items, containing minutes from February 10, 2011 council meeting, Treasurers Report, Disbursements and Pay Request #22 for USDA Rural development. Tim Stockdale seconded. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT None

SEWER PROJECT. Alan Gay reported that WWTP is operating well, but continues to have problems with I & I, taking steps to resolve. Letter sent to CNI regarding warranty issues. CNI has addressed 8 items to date. NW Engineering is not following through on repair issue. Per conversation Alan had with EPA, we are currently operating outside of permit. Alan spoke with EPA and they are in the process of permitting new plant. It could be 7-8 years before the permit is in place. Alan also reported on water facilities, haven't had time to work on, but reassured Rich Christensen he would have everything to him on time for water adjudication. Alan reported on cemetery, USKH is waiting on approval from the City to Platte the back section, money has not been approved yet for completion of cemetery platting back section.

METER DEPOSITS Discussion was held regarding ordinance Rich Christensen drew up. Council discussed transfer of bill and change of service. Rich will address concerns and return next month with changes.

Kelly York Kelly was unable to attend, had requested that Carl Richel attend in his place. Carl Richel didn't attend meeting. Council discussed problems with previous lease and issues with getting new lease. Insurance verification was received from Kelly York before meeting. Terry made a motion to approve lease for one more year from January 1

– December 31, 2011 at the same amount as last year (\$350.00). Tim Stockdale seconded motion. Jannette Taylor abstained. Motion passed.

OFFICE HOURS Council discussed changing hours back to 9-5:00 with front desk clerk working 8:30-5:15. Terry made a motion for the hours to change from 10:00-5:00 to 9:00 to 5:00 effective Wednesday March 16, 2011. Jannette Taylor seconded motion. Motion passed.

GATEWAY FIRE DISTRICT Council discussed fees for water service at fire station. The fire station has no indoor bathroom, or sewer connection. The fire station has been paying for service since the new station was built. Jannette Taylor made a motion that we discontinue charging for water until the station has bathroom facilities and sewer service. The charged fees amounting to \$302.80 will be credited back to The Fire District account. Terry seconded. Motion passed.

DEG GRANT DEQ approved application for grant funds for water survey project. The grant requires a \$25,000.00 match. John Wheaton made a motion to accept grant. Terry Allen seconded. Motion passed.

EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION Merit versus across the board raise. Council requested that we look at policy of pay increases and review next month.

SURPLUS COMPUTERS Council discussed computers that are unusable and of little or no value. Hard drives would need to be pulled from computers prior to getting rid of. Terry made a motion that we dispose of old computers. Jannette Taylor seconded motion. Motion passed.

AMEND BUDGET Discussed amendment of budget that needs to be done. No action taken.

CENTENNIAL GRANT The city has money left over from the centennial fund that needs to be spent in the community. Council discussed several options for the community, including updating community center and also dog control. Terry Allen made a motion to use the money for updating counters and sink at community center, and if there is any money left to purchase a new sign for the community center and outdoor tables. Jannette Taylor seconded. John opposed. Motion carried.

BUDGET HEARING Council discussed date for budget hearing. John Wheaton made a motion to set budget hearing for August 11, 2011. Jannette Taylor seconded motion. Motion carried.

AERIAL MAPPING Council discussed aerial mapping. The CDA Tribe inquired whether the City would be interested in having it done when they contract to have tribal grounds done. The question was raised about whether we could get it done in color, as well as better resolution.

LETTER FOR CITY LINK The CDA Tribe requested the City to write a support letter for grant money they are applying for. John Wheaton made a motion to give support letter. Terry Allen seconded motion. Motion passed.

LIBRARY AID JOB DESCRIPTION Council reviewed job description that was submitted by Paulina. John Wheaton made a motion to approve job description. Terry Allen seconded motion. Motion carried.

TOTALED POLICE CAR Les informed the council that the insurance company's offer (\$11,600.00) would not cover the cost of replacing the car, the city could be out several thousand dollars over what we would receive. Attorney suggested that we get the figures together and he would write a letter to the insurance agent.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Tim Clark, Mayor

Melanie Meagher, City Clerk