

City of Colfax
04/25/2016 Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Scott Gauslow at 7:43 P.M. Present were Council Members Tom Wulfekuhle, Neil Berseth, Jody Lingen, Jeff Olson, and City Auditor Susan Bowman. Kent Thorenson, Interstate Engineering; Nathan Berseth, Aurora Group; City Residents Sid Berg and Aaron Kleingartner were also in attendance.

Kent Thorenson, Interstate Engineering, was recognized. He reported that the boring test had been done at the lagoon, but no report completed yet. The boring for Broadway St was not completed. The Pre-application for the lagoon funding was denied as there are SRF funds at 3.5% we qualify for which is run by the State. Nathan Berseth's amount was approved at 2% and needs a signature from the Mayor on the pre-application for completion. The City will also need to have a wetland delineation for the lagoon prior to any loan approvals. Interstate Engineering sent out for comments on the project; then a new expanded preliminary engineering report can be completed.

Kent reported that the fire hydrant that was moved by the Erdahl property was still on City right-of-way; however, Interstate Engineering will resurvey and do any amendments to the as-builts if needed.

Interstate Engineering will work up the road requirements for the Broadway St. S. repairs and present at the next meeting.

Nathan Berseth was recognized. He reported that the dirt and road work for the property purchased by Ben & Brianne Watkins would probably happen in June sometime.

Sid Berg was recognized. The County Commission will be meeting on May 3rd so Scott Gauslow will attend and review the contract amount awarded to JAV Construction for the ditch work to be completed.

The minutes from the March 21, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Jody Lingen made a motion, seconded by Tom Wulfekuhle to approve the minutes as presented; motion carried.

The financial report for the month of March was reviewed; Tom Wulfekuhle made a motion, seconded by Jeff Olson to approve the report; motion carried.

The bills for the month of April were reviewed. The County Assessor bill was added to the City. Jody Lingen made a motion, seconded by Tom Wulfekuhle to approve the bills as presented with the noted addition; motion carried.

Old Business:

Water & sewer accounts –Past due accounts and water usage was reviewed. Mayor Gauslow will contact the late accounts. It was noted that the usage may be off due to water that was gushing out of the pump house.

There were no committee reports.

Tom Wulfekuhle is looking at the Board Wrap options for the City signs. This would be similar to the freeway billboard signs and the sign by the football field.

The building permit for Justin Reiland was reviewed; Tom Wulfekuhle made a motion, seconded by Jeff Olson to approve the permit as presented; motion carried.

The Horse Park submitted the annual gaming permit for approval to the auditor; Tom Wulfekuhle made a motion, seconded by Jody Lingen to approve; motion carried.

Keith Hage culvert addition application paperwork was reviewed. The Richland County Water Resource District needs the City to approve the culvert addition. Jody Lingen made a motion, seconded by Tom Wulfekuhle to approve; motion carried. Mayor Gauslow will return it to the RCWRD.

The City does have a quit claim deed for the City Dump Site. There has been interest in purchase of the land if the City wants to sell it. It is approximately 5 acres. The City is not interested in selling at this time.

A review of the names submitted for the June elections was reviewed. Two names may not appear as they had not changed their driver's licenses to Colfax yet; these residents were coordinating directly with Harris Baily at the County.

New Business:

There were no bids received for mowing the City property. All council members will try to find someone willing to do the properties.

Proposed Spring letter was reviewed; need to add website address and then it can go out.

The City received money from the railroad for their portion of the last two years of property maintenance.

The hook-up fee was received from Erdahl's.

There being no further business, Neil Berseth made a motion, seconded by Tom Wulfekuhle to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M.