

The City Council met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers. Alderperson Stroh called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. City Clerk Kathy Vaughn called the roll and the following Alderpersons answered to their names: Becky Chaney, Randy Bell, Portia Brown, Bob Cooper, Andrew French, James Stroh, Dan Griffin, and Ross McDowell.

The minutes were recorded by City Clerk, Kathy Vaughn. A quorum was present. The Meeting was taped.

The pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was repeated by all City Officials and guests.

DISCUSSION: Alderperson McDowell made a motion to allow Alderperson Stroh act as Mayor Pro Tempore, since Mayor Stadsholt is not in attendance. Seconded by Alderperson Brown.

ACTION TAKEN: Majority of the council voted Aye on the motion.

PUBLIC COMMENT #1

DISCUSSION: Joann Lynn, a Researcher for the Mason County Genealogy Society, spoke in regards to the footprints currently in the sidewalk downtown.

ACTION TAKEN: None

DISCUSSION: Mr. and Mrs. Rowe spoke about their outstanding water bill and the fact that the water was currently still shut off and nothing had been resolved.

ACTION TAKEN: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

DISCUSSION: Mayor Pro Tem Stroh asked if there were any additions or corrections to the meeting minutes of July 2, 2019.

ACTION TAKEN: There being none, the minutes will stand as approved and submitted.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Pro Tem Stroh asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Special meeting minutes of July 11, 2019.

ACTION TAKEN: There being none, the minutes will stand as approved and submitted.

FINANCE REPORT

DISCUSSION: Mayor Pro Tem Stroh entertained a motion to approve the Finance Report as submitted. Alderperson Chaney made the motion, seconded by Alderperson Cooper.

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Pro Tem Stroh asked if there were any questions or corrections to the Finance Report. There being none, the motion passed by the following vote:

Voting Yes: Brown, Cooper, Bell, French, Griffin, Stroh, Chaney, McDowell

Voting No: None

MAYOR'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN:

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

CITY TREASURER'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: City Treasurer, Cole McDaniel reported a letter was just received from the IEPA regarding the a revolving loan the city applied for to fund the a new water tower project. The letter stated for the FY 2020, the revolving loan fund was not approved due to insufficient funds.

ACTION TAKEN: None

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

DISCUSSION: Cole McDaniel, Economic Development Coordinator, reported the 1st draft of a letter of Interest was drafted for the Biological Station and will be presented to council at the next meeting for review.

ACTION TAKEN: None

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

DISCUSSION: Public Works Director, Jewel Bucy, reported on the following items:

- 2 bids were obtained for the water main replacement downtown and Core and Main was the lowest bidder.
- The air conditioner upstairs at City Hall went out and must be replaced. The cost is estimated to be about \$5200.
- Bucy reached out the Master Meter representative, the manufacturer for the City's water meters, and explained out current process and operations. It was reported that everything that can be done with the current system, is being done. The representative will be in the area in the next couple week and will stop by to review our processes first hand.

ACTION TAKEN: None

POLICE CHIEFS REPORT

DISCUSSION: Chief Hindahl reported the new squad car is has all the radios and lights installed now and is out front if anyone would like to come see it after the meeting.

ACTION TAKEN: None

FIRE MARSHALL/ZONING OFFICER REPORT

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

FARNSWORTH ENGINEERING GROUP REPORT

DISCUSSION: Gary Davis from the Farnsworth Group reported he did not have anything to report but would answer any questions. Alderperson McDowell brought up the Business Park storm sewer pipe along the East side of the railroad tracks and the sink holes. Davis and Bucy reported it has always been a problem, especially when it rains a lot or there is high water.

ACTION TAKEN: None

FINANCE AND PURCHASING

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN:

HEALTH AND SANITATION

DISCUSSION: No Report

ACTION TAKEN: None

LICENSES, ORDINANCE AND LEGAL

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PERSONNEL

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PLANNING

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PROPERTY AND ZONING

DISCUSSION: No Report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PUBLIC SAFETY

DISCUSSION: Alderperson French made a motion to approve the Oktoberfest Parade request. Seconded by Alderperson McDowell.

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Pro Tem Stroh asked if there were any questions or concerns. There being none, the motion passed by the following vote:

Voting Yes: Brown, Cooper, Bell, French, Griffin, Chaney, McDowell and Stroh

Voting No: None

DISCUSSION: Alderperson French entertained a motion to approve the Havana Church of Christ to put a Vacation Bible School sign at the end of the boulevard of Broadway and Main. Alderperson Brown said she spoke with Mandy Stark and at this time it did not look like the Vacation school might not take place. It was suggested the motion continue in case something changed. Alderperson Chaney made the motion to approve the request for the sign, seconded by Alderperson Griffin.

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Pro Tem Stroh asked if there were any questions or concerns. There being none, the motion passed by the following vote:

Voting Yes: Brown, Cooper, Bell, French, Griffin, Chaney, McDowell and Stroh

Voting No: None

PUBLIC WORKS

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Brown thanked Joann Land for attending the meeting this evening and sharing the information regarding the footprints with the council.

ACTION TAKEN: None

PUBLIC COMMENT #2

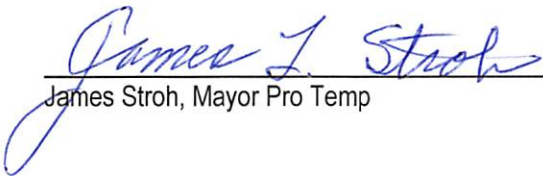
DISCUSSION: Barb Rowe spoke again in reference to the outstanding water bill. After 5 minutes, Mayor Pro Temp Stroh thanked her for speaking, and explained her time was up.

ACTION TAKEN: None

ADJOURNMENT

DISCUSSION: Mayor Pro Tem Stroh entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderperson McDowell made the motion, seconded by Alderperson Brown.

ACTION TAKEN: The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.


James Stroh, Mayor Pro Temp


Kathy Vaughn, City Clerk

Guests:

Cole McDaniel
Wendy Martin
Jewel Bucy

John Kachanuk
Jeremiah Hindahl
James Stark