

Emmetsburg City Council Proceedings  
Monday, April 25, 2016  
6:00 PM

The Emmetsburg City Council met on the above date in the City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Myrna Hedding presiding and the following council members answering the roll call: Todd Bell, Ryan Berkland, Brian Campbell, Mike Hermansen and Brian Malm. Bill Burdick was absent.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motions carried to adopt the agenda as presented with the following consent agenda: previous minutes of April 11, 2016, March 2016 financial reports, Class C liquor license, outdoor service & Sunday sales – The Cornerstone Pub.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Shane Paskert questioned why The Shores was serving food and competing with local businesses. Hermansen explained that it was always the intent to have hors d'oeuvres/snacks at the community center. Hermansen continued stating that the intent was never to provide a full kitchen service. Paskert then questioned why the cost of the kitchen was so expensive with Hermansen stating that the cost was for the catering kitchen. Hermansen volunteered to give Paskert a tour of the facility.

**REPORT OF OFFICERS**

City Administrator John Bird updated the Council on the status of the Lake Street seeding project, general street maintenance and the proposed campground design. Discussion was also held on nuisance abatements.

Public Properties Director Frank Kliegl updated the Council on the public right away mowing changes and also recognized recently deceased Bob McNally for his 68 years of service on the Emmetsburg Fire Department.

**CHAMBER DIRECTOR**

Chamber Director Deb Hite stated that the chamber is currently working on the beautification project and is currently accepting donations to raise money for the downtown planter plants. Hite also stated that the chamber recently hired part time employee Jeremy Ward for media production.

**STANDING COMMITTEES**

Chairman Brian Campbell reported on the Finance, Ordinance & Personnel Committee meeting held on April 20, 2016 at 7:00 AM in the City Hall council chambers.

Motion carried to approve the Finance, Ordinance & Personnel Committee's recommendation to accept the resignation of Public Properties Foreman Gary Clark effective April 29, 2016.

Motion carried to approve the Finance, Ordinance & Personnel Committee's recommendation to accept the resignation of Public Properties crewman Dennis Manwarren effective May 6, 2016.

The Mayor & Council extended their thanks for the dedication and years of service to Clark & Manwarren.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There were no standing committees to report on.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Following a public hearing on the proposed cemetery trail project – phase III, motion carried to award the phase III cemetery trail project alternative 1 bid to Howery Construction in the amount of \$63,315.50.

It was introduced, seconded and carried to approve Resolution No. 16-09 – A Resolution Setting a Public Hearing for May 9, 2016 for the Proposed Disposal of Interest in Real Property Michigan Street between 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Streets.

Motion carried to approve part time seasonal public properties employees – Luke Jackson, Nate Schiek and Cooper Hofstad.

Discussion was held on the potential danger due to poor visibility on the pedestrian trail near the railroad crossing on N40. It was the consensus of the council to direct administration to investigate the possibility of installing an overhead light at this location.

**ADJOURN**

With no further discussion to come before the council the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Myrna Hedding

Attest:

City Clerk Kimberly Kibbie