

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

The Emmetsburg City Council met on the above date in the Council Chambers of City Hall with Mayor Myrna Hedding calling the meeting to order and the following council members answering the roll call: Ryan Berkland, Brian Malm, Brian Campbell, Bill Burdick Jr. and Mike Hermansen. Todd Bell arrived at 6:02.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion carried to adopt the agenda as presented with the following consent agenda: previous minutes of July 11, 2016; June 2016 Claims list - \$156,465.36; PACGDC final demo grant for Don Nauss, 2207 8th St; Tax abatement for Ron & Sue Rouse, 80 N Grand Ave; Tax abatement for Shamrock Recycling, 1001 Michigan St; Five day Class B beer and Sunday sales – Pugh Benefit; Class C liquor license & outdoor service – Dublins Food & Spirits.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Margay Grose asked for an update on the water quality study and an update on the hiring of the Assistant Director at the Community Center. City Administrator John Bird said that we have received some applications but interviews have not been done yet. Bird also stated that the water study is on the agenda and will be discussed.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

Mayor Myrna Hedding commented that the moving Vietnam Memorial Wall at the Wild Rose Casino was well done.

City Administrator John Bird sought input from the council on street improvements in the soon-to-be-developed campground. Bird also asked for input from the council on whether to dredge in 2017. Following council discussion, it was decided to have a Finance Committee meeting on August 3, 2016 at 7:00 AM to further discuss these items.

Police Chief Eric Hanson reported that the speed trailer has been ordered and it will be arriving shortly.

Economic Developer Billie Jo Joyce updated the council on potential businesses interested in opening in Emmetsburg. Joyce also mentioned that she will be holding a Downtown Roundtable with business owners to get information on downtown expansion and taking a class on downtown revitalization.

CHAMBER DIRECTOR DEB HITE

Chamber Director Deb Hite reported that the Dream to Reality grant deadline was extended. Hite also updated the council on upcoming Chamber sponsored events.

STANDING COMMITTEES

There were no standing committees to report on.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion carried to approve 28E agreement with Palo Alto County for emergency communication services.

Motion carried to approve the water study committee's recommendation of FYRA for water analysis and action plan.

It was introduced, seconded and carried to approve Resolution No. 16-15 – A Resolution Amending Emmetsburg's Quality Housing Initiative Grant Program.

Motion carried to approve part time Community Center employees Connor Moffitt and Melissa Will.

ADJOURN

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

Mayor Myrna Hedding

ATTEST:

Deputy City Clerk Megan Jones