

City of Pillager
City Council Meeting Minutes
February 9, 2016

Acting Mayor Mattheisen called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council Members present were Leroy Smith, and Clarence Voitalla, absent from the meeting was Paul Odenthal and Sue Van Hal. Guests at meeting were Ann Meyer and Steve Uban, Pillager School Board Member; staff present was Terri Wickham and Craig Boyer.

Visitor Forum

Council explained how the Planning Commission works to Ann Meyer who was interested in being it. **Motion by Council Voitalla, to approve of Ann Meyer and Danelle Bybee to be members of the Planning Commission, seconded by Council Smith, motion carried unanimously.**

Motion by Council Smith to approve the January Council minutes and expenses as presented, seconded by Council Voitalla, motion carried unanimously.

The Crossing tax forfeited land covenant and the application was discussed. Council Smith suggested we should remove Minnesota, as we know where Pillager is located. Staff will forward to the City Attorney for final approval. **Motion by Council Voitalla to approve the tax forfeited land documents contingent on approval by the City Attorney Brad Person, seconded by Council Smith, motion carried.**

Council revisited the City Fee Schedule to remove items no longer needed. The Water meters were \$100 per meter and the new fee schedule will state actual cost. The other issue was the Cemetery open/close cost. There has been an increase of funerals on Saturdays, which costs the City more. Council chose to leave the cemetery costs as is for now. **Motion by Council Smith to approve changes to the 2016 Fee Schedule as discussed, seconded by Council Voitalla, motion carried.**

Staff updated Council on the current computers we have. Craig's for the Water Department has been updated so he could do his reports online as required. We will need to update maintenance and police computers soon.

BNSF information on what is being transported by train was in the packet. Council Smith thought possibly the Fire Chief should have the information. Staff will send the information to the fire department.

The EDC was sent an email requesting Jamie Meyer be present at a Council meeting. She has not responded. Staff will send another email this month.

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Motion by Council Weitalla to donate \$800 to the Pillager Fairboard for 2016, the same as we have in the past, seconded by Council Smith, motion carried unanimously.

There will be a meeting regarding Pillager History, at 6:30 on Monday March 7, 2016 at the Pillager High School Commons. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Motion by Council Smith to approve the letter regarding the State Hwy 210 and Cty 1 intersection written by Staff to be sent home with the students, seconded by Council Weitalla, motion carried unanimously. Staff will print and deliver to the Mayor.

Council discussed the budget. There are some journal entries that still need to be made.

The Lions Club would like to set a memorial, honoring Veterans in the park if the City would allow this. The Council agreed that would be a very appropriate addition. Acting Mayor Mattheisen asked the Lions to consider having the park named for them or by them. The Lions have added \$30,000+ in improvements to the City Park.

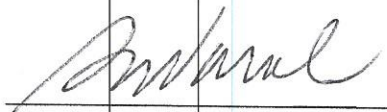
The Fire Association met and they are reviewing different ways on how to charge for services. Bret invited other people to come to the meetings to voice concerns.

Motion by Council Weitalla to approve the February bills as presented seconded by Council Smith, motion carried unanimously. The Council also signed off on Payroll.

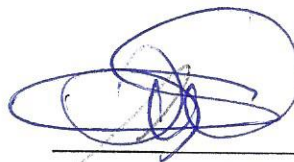
Terri Wickham requested the Council sign off on her request for STD. All signed.

Acting Mayor asked if we had heard from Ginger for the Union. We had received a message from Mike Stockman. We did not accept what was proposed so we are possibly looking at arbitration. Mediation is being set for end of March beginning of April. No dates are set as of this date.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.



Mayor Sue Van Hal-Mayor



Admin/Clerk Terri Wickham