

Minutes for November 16, 2015 Special City Council Meeting

The Special Meeting of the Eureka City Council was called to order on November 16, 2015, at 5:05 p.m. by Mayor Opp in the council room of the Municipal Building with the following present: Mayor Opp, Council members: Bertsch, Billotto, Heilman, Obenauer, Regula, Weisbeck, and Finance Officer Frerk. Others present: Paulette Bauer.

Any changes or additions: First State Bank sewer/water, Code Enforcement. Motion by Regula, seconded by Billotto to accept the changes and additions to the agenda. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Ambassadors will be putting on a Christmas Caroling/Poker Run event on December 11, 2015. Motion by Regula, seconded by Weisbeck to approve the event. All voted aye. Motion carried.

No action was taken on the CIP projects at the last meeting. Bertsch checked on chip sealing the airport runway. The FAA said we cannot chip seal the runway, but rather the FAA will do a coating on it in about 9 or 10 years. The FAA stated that if we do crack sealing we do not need an engineer, but if we want federal aid then we will need an engineer.

The light by Clyde Ottenbacher's residence is working now. Billotto following up on whether another street light should be added in that area of town. Weisbeck will follow up with MDU and discuss with them.

Gregg Arnold joined the meeting.

The public auction for the surplus property of Lot 4, Block 9, Sunrise Addition will be held on Monday, December 7, 2015, 7:00 p.m., in the Council room of the Municipal Building.

There was discussion of the availability of water and sewer on the property of First State Bank. It is the City's responsibility to locate, but the property owner's engineer should lay out the connections so the City does not incur any liability. Obenauer will contact First State Bank.

Mayor Opp contacted Code Enforcement Specialist, Mike Olson. He will be invited to December's council meeting to discuss his services, and the options and opportunities he provides. Ken Martin has also expressed interest in being the Code Enforcement Officer at \$10.00 per hour. Code enforcement tabled until December's meeting.

Motion by Weisbeck, seconded by Regula to go into executive session at 5:40 p.m. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Opp asked the City employees, Gregg Arnold, Paulette Bauer, and Nicole Frerk, to stay in executive session. Arnold, Bauer, and Frerk, left executive session at 6:08 p.m. Council took a five minute break.

At 6:40 p.m. motion by Weisbeck, seconded by Bertsch to come out of executive session. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Bertsch, seconded by Weisbeck that effective on December 1, 2015, the City will cover 60% of the Family health insurance for eligible city employees, and at the December council meeting the Council will review the wage increases for 2016 with the possibility of amending the wage increases for those choosing the Family health insurance plan. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Heilman, seconded by Billotto to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 p.m. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Mark W. Opp

Nicole Frerk, Finance Officer