

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

The regular council meeting of the City of Browns Valley, MN was held at the Public Library. Council members present were Harold Hansen, Neil Madison, Tony Miller, and Ken Warren. Also in attendance were Brad Bartz, David Kuschel, Mike Piechowski Tanya Brick, Bernice Piechowski and Tom Schmitz. The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by Mayor Hansen.

Additions to the Agenda

Additions to the agenda were claims from Madison Life and Demco. Other additions include the contract that will be used between the contractor and City for the demolition of 329 W Broadway and an amendment to the dangerous dog ordinance.

Motion by Warren with second by Madison to approve the additions to the agenda

Consent Agenda

Upon motion from Miller seconded by Madison, the council unanimously approved the city council minutes of the October 9, 2017.

Financial Statement and Revenue Report

Motion by Miller with second by Warren, council unanimously approved the financial statement and monthly revenue report.

Claims

Following presentation and discussion of prepaid claim, claims for approval, and wages, upon motion by Madison and a second by Warren, that the council unanimously passed the following resolution:

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Browns Valley that the payment of the following city bills is approved as presented.

Prepaid Claims: \$0.00

Claims for approval: \$12,804.09

Wages: \$7,768.03

Correspondence

Library Board of Trustee Meeting minutes from September 18, 2017.

Building Permits

Upon motion by Warren with second by Miller, council unanimously approved the building permit from Innovative Builders from Alexandria to remodel two patient rooms.

Old Business

Motion by Warren with second by Miller to approve for the tarring of four blocks of streets. The bids are from: Industrial Builders, Inc., Fargo, ND to mill edges of existing tar in the amount of \$8,015.63; Riley Brothers to supply the project with 750 tone of asphalt at \$52.00 per ton; and Serocki Excavating, Inc. for the repair and overlay of streets in the amount of \$66.37 per ton

The discussion of where to house the last water truck continued. The fire department is growing out space for its equipment. The decision to purchase another water truck came after an inspection from the State Fire Inspector's Office.

New Business

Schmitz hired Mark Goehring to remove debris and garbage from the yard at 313 3rd St. No. Goehring was also hired to mow the grass. The cost of the work will be assessed to the property's taxes. An assessment was also sent to the Cenex C-Store regarding the construction debris and trash that is on the west side of the

building.

Schmitz presented a contract that can be used for the demolition of 329 W Broadway. Bob Goodhart was asked to attend this meeting to finalize the contract agreement, but was still on a job site at the start of this meeting. Schmitz was asked to arrange for a special meeting with Goodhart to discuss what will be done during demolition and to finalize the contract agreement.

Motion by Warren with second by Madison, the council unanimously approved Amendment To Ordinance Section 91.11 An Ordinance Dealing With Dangerous And Potentially Dangerous Dogs Within The City Of Browns Valley.

Motion by Miller with second by Warren, the council unanimously approved the Summary Of Amendment To Ordinance Section 91.11 A Summary Of An Ordinance Dealing With Dangerous And Potentially Dangerous Dogs Within The City Of Browns Valley.

Ambulance

Brick reported that several members of the ambulance service as well as residents attended the Traverse County Commissioner's meeting on October 17th. The commissioners agreed to contribute \$7,000 toward the operation of the ambulance service for 2017. Next year the service would again be required to provide the services financials prior to receiving more funding.

Letters are being sent out to residents who own property in Traverse, Big Stone and Roberts Counties asking for contributions to assist in the funding of the operations of the ambulance service.

Melody Kellen has offered to provide knitted clothing to be used as a fundraiser for the service.

Brick reported that the cots in the ambulances malfunction at times. After being inspected she was told that, that due to the age of the cots, there are no longer repair parts for them.

Library

Piechowski reported that the program called Musical Impressions will be at the library on Tuesday of this week. Briand Morrison has created a multimedia performance honoring the life of artist George Morrison.

Currently there is an art exhibit on display at the library. It is being shown from October 16 to November 8. The exhibit WORKING LAND is a photography exhibit by Jon Solinger. Solinger will be at the library on October 30th at 7pm.

Fire Department

The department received a check from the Roberts County Auditor to be used for operations.

The current and future needs of the fire department and public works department were discussed. An oversized door is planned to be installed on the south side of the fire hall. Instead of this door being installed the group discussed another building to provide room for current and future needs of the fire department. The existing building would be used for additional needed space for the public works department.

Administrator

Schmitz reported that approximately 1270 letters are being sent to residents owning property in the ambulance district requesting donations to assist in the operation of the service.

The solid waste contract will end on December 31st. Council approved to mail out RFP's to waste haulers in the area. Bids will be opened during the December 11th meeting.

Warren moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:32pm and go into a closed session.

Minutes submitted by:

Approved by:

Thomas A Schmitz, Clerk

Harold Hansen, Mayor