

CITY OF SKYLINE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 9, 2018

Present: Mayor Travis Javens; Treasurer Lon Whitehead; Clerk, Cathy Dahl; Council Members, Samantha Erickson, Mary Dowd, Dean Rengstorf, Wayne Bishop

Meeting called to order at 6:46 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of agenda and minutes. Motion to approve, Wayne Bishop, Dean Rengstorf, 2nd.
Passed unanimously.

15-Minute Public Open Forum – no forum.

City Clerk's Report – Cathy Dahl reported six letters for overdue bill reminders were sent to residents at 101 S. Skyline, 64 Skyline, 1716 Woodland, 136 S. Skyline, 57 Skyline and 134 S. Skyline.

City newsletter was sent to InstyPrints on Monday, March 26; they finished it at 5:15 Tuesday and they were in the mail Wednesday, March 28. Clerk's copy didn't arrive until Saturday, March 31 – seems slow but we may need to plan on more time for mail delivery. Newsletter looks very nice - if newsletters will continue to be printed in color, should we compare prices? InstyPrints did give us a discount (from \$215 to \$182.75), but there may be a better price out there, ie. MinuteMan Press.

Date incorrect for city-wide clean up. It is June 9th, not 19th.

Gopher 1 State called to see who they should call if a line is broken and no one is at city hall to get the call. I gave them Travis' phone number. Council suggested also giving them Dean's cell. Clerk needs to contact them if contacts change.

Newville Cleaning says we are totally out of TP now, and she doesn't know of anyone to seal the floor. She wondered if Red Feather would have a suggestion for you. Samantha Erickson suggested Shineway.

Assessment Notices were posted on city hall door and in the Free Press for meeting on April 4th regarding property assessments in Blue Earth County.

Mary Dowd is looking at the grant info for community grants from Xcel Energy.

MN Public Utilities Commission Info and environment impact statement scoping meetings coming up. Mankato April 17, 2018. Pertains to electrical transmission line.

Is it necessary to have a first aid kit for city hall? Discussion of whether it is needed for public facilities. There's a possibility of items being taken. Maybe City will put some supplies in a kitchen drawer - some bandaids and very basic items.

City Treasurer's Report – Lon Whitehead reported for March, 2018. Interest income is better at Community Bank than last bank. Some Skyline houses have sold. Mankato was going to be

sending Skyline regular monthly bills, but the bills have been coming irregularly. Possibly because they gave city a refund or maybe they are coming bi-monthly. There are 5 overdue utility letters to be sent by Clerk.

Approval of clerk and treasurer's report and to pay bills as presented, motion, Samantha Erickson, Wayne Bishop, 2nd. Passed unanimously.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Water Department – Samantha Erickson reported Mark Rieber sold his house and requested a read on his account. Gil Harrison has a new address and dropped off items that he thought belonged to the City when he was moving.

Wayne Bishop contacted Mark Weber and is getting training on doing readings. Fluoride meter may need replacement soon. Wayne is getting the needed certification to take over Mark Weber's position in water department. He will be reimbursed for expenses of training.

AmLawn sent a quote for the next 3 years. He will ask for a new copy with the years listed. He's also asking for a quote to put picnic tables in each of the smaller cul de sac parks.

Playground equipment quote for timbers to go around area; city has stakes for them. Timbers are \$44 each, ordering ten for a total of \$440. Cost for 36" round tables was higher than other options.

Beautification meeting is set up for Thursday, April 19th.

Wayne got a comment that the phrase "when people used to take better care of their property" in the newsletter may offend some residents. Another resident is not pleased with a large trailer parked that obstructs view.

Street Department - Dean Rengstorf reported seeing a divot in the bituminous. Waiting for winter and plowing to be over.

Parks & Playgrounds Department - Wayne Bishop reported (in water dept.)

Public Safety Department – Mary Dowd reported seeing fire trucks from other areas in Skyline. It was the firefighter funeral at Woodland Hills with multiple fire departments present. Solar light shining on Skyline sign isn't working or has been vandalized. Mayor Javens wondered if there could be a light that doesn't have to stick into ground. Dean suggested that a concrete cookie could make the light more secure.

Mary handed out info on the Night to Unite event. It happens the last week of August. It's a national program. Maybe the Skyline Coop Association could take this on, or a group of neighbors.

Delineators have been broken again.

OLD BUSINESS

Water tower repair – nothing new.

Private Tile Lines – Mayor asked Brian Powers to contact Jetter Clean to schedule cleaning.