

Melbourne City Council met in regular session August 13, 2018. Mayor White called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Councilmen Gibbs, Juel and C. White. Also in attendance were Mayor White, Clerk Pothast, Gary Fricke, Jim Pfantz, Danny Smith, and Gabe and Shawn Goodrich. Absent were Stahl and Bunting.

Motion made by C. White with 2nd by Gibbs to approve the agenda, minutes and bills. Vote was all ayes. In public comments and concerns, Clint and Ashley Dare had requested to be put on the agenda to discuss issues with future events. Dare had called city hall earlier to say he would not be able to attend due to a conflict. In building permits, the basic building permits from Douglas & Sandra Nelson, 15 3rd Street to build a garage; Thomas Yetmar, 15 1st Avenue, to build a 45 x 30 building; and John Elliott/Kenny Poage, 402 3rd Street to build a 10 x 20 shed. All 3 permits were within the stated limits. Motion made by Gibbs with 2nd by C. White to approve all 3. Vote was all ayes. In building permit for Gabe Goodrich, 402 Main Street, there was a variance sent out for the garage to be 6' from the south property line (instead of 7') and 4.5' from the property line running parallel to 4th St. (instead of 7). There had been no response from any of the neighbors regarding the variance. Motion to approve made by Juel, 2nd by C. White. Vote to approve was all ayes. The 5th permit was submitted by Brian Cross, 605 2nd Avenue for a 32 x 30 building. It will require a variance to do the 6' set back requested, but there was not sufficient time to publish the public hearing notice in the paper before the meeting. It will be published and letters sent for the next meeting in September.

In new business, Mayor White set a public hearing for the Budget Amendment to pay off the pool for September 10, 2018 at 7 pm. Quote for LP gas for the rec center contract by New Century FS was \$1.249/gallon prepaid at \$568.80. Motion by C. White with 2nd by Gibbs. Vote was all ayes.

In old news, Clerk had contacted Rhodes regarding a paving reference. The city was not completely happy with the work done and clerk conveyed their remarks. In other old business, regarding Justin Young's (402 2nd Ave) proposal to put a tile down behind his house and see if neighbors were interested in joining. Neighbor Melissa Haskell had said she was not interested and the cost was prohibitive. Another neighbor had voiced their opinions against it to the mayor as well. Clerk or PW will contact Young to discuss going out front down the ditch.

Next was the tabled discussion regarding the sickle mower. PW had pictures of what was wrong with the old one and what the lagoon looks like now after 2 months of not mowing. They agreed something needs to be done. Jim had not found one locally on farm equipment sites. Juel looked on his phone and found one on Craig's List for them to call and check on. After much discussion, motion was made by Gibbs, with 2nd by C. White to check on the used one to see if it was a good purchase and if they didn't think it was in good shape, to purchase the new one they had discussed last month for roughly \$5000. Roll call vote was 3 ayes. They will continue to spray the rocks at the lagoon and not use the mower on that area. Clerk stated there is \$8000 allotted in the budget for large equipment replacement that can be used for the purchase.

Next was the tabled issue of sewer improvements on Butler Street. Council had requested an additional quote. Ricken's provided a quote and after comparing that and the one made by Needham Excavating, motion was made by Juel with 2nd by C. White to accept the Ricken bid. Roll call vote was all ayes. Clerk asked about funding and motion made by Juel with 2nd by Gibbs to cash in the sewer CD to pay for the work and reinvest whatever was left after the project. Roll call vote was all ayes.

In questions from the departments, Mayor White had talked with Chief Ball regarding some break-ins last weekend. He had viewed some film from a camera and was working on it. There was also a letter to the mayor and council thanking them for sending Pothast to the municipal institute to keep up her CEOs from Cindy Kendall and the League of Cities. It shows dedication to excellence by the group. Fricke told the council that he is still working about 20 hours a week after his surgery and that he feels Jim and Nate are doing a good job keeping up with things. Mayor agreed and said Fricke should make sure he heals before coming back full time.

Motion made by C. White with 2nd by Juel to adjourn. Vote was all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.

REVENUE: GENERAL 23,017.21, ROAD USE 7915.53, EMPLOYEE BENEFITS 345.32, EMERGENCY 62.40, LOST FIRE 791.78, LOST 1ST RESP 791.78L, POOL 795.63, LOST REC 792.47, WATER 21,820.60, SEWER 17,683.11, SANITARY SEWER LAGOON 4086.40: TOTAL REVENUE \$78,102.23.

EXPENSES: GENERAL 33,460.58, ROAD USE 2219.16, EMPLOYEE BENEFITS 2572.79, LOST FIRE 13.75, WATER 12,452.62, SEWER 7755.59: TOTAL EXPENSES \$58,474.49.

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