

City of Melbourne
Regular City Council Meeting
October 12, 2020

Melbourne City Council met in regular session on October 12, 2020 at 7 pm at the Melbourne Library basement. Members and Clerk were all seated a minimum of 6' apart per social distancing protocol. Council members present were David Gibbs, Vickie Stahl, Carrie White and Shawn Goodrich and Lucas Hauser. Also present were Clerk Mary Pothast, Mayor White, Avery Randall and Sadie Clark. Mayor White called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the pledge of allegiance. Motion to approve the agenda, minutes and bills made by Hauser with 2nd by C. White. Vote was all ayes.

First on the agenda was a building permit for Andy Bryant at 608 Main Street. The permit was for a shed with a variance. The variance requested was for 3' from the north property line. There were no comments made to the publication or letters mailed. Motion made by Gibbs to approve the permit and variance. 2nd by Goodrich. Vote was all ayes to approve the permit. It was then suggested that the trailer be moved off Main Street in front of their house. Mike Ball will talk to the homeowner about it.

In new business, the FY 2019/20 Annual Financial Report (AFR) has been prepared and is ready for publication. Motion made by C. White to approve. Roll call vote was all ayes. The Owner-Occupied Housing Improvement Grant project for the Rudkin property is complete. Mayor White signed off on it that day. Approval to pay the \$28,080 bill made by C. White, 2nd by Goodrich. Vote was all ayes. The amount has already been submitted to the state for reimbursement to the City. Clerk will write the check to the contractor. Public works has a quote from Allied Systems to inspect the pumps at the lift station at the Morton Building for \$500. It should be done periodically, and it has been 3 years since the last check. Motion to approve by Gibbs, 2nd by C. White. Vote was all ayes. Jetco has replaced a transducer that turns the pumps on and off and senses pressure to know the depth of the water in the pit at the treatment plant. It was last done in 2016. Fricke would like to keep an extra on hand in case of failure. Council felt it would be a good idea to wait until the spring to see where we are with the sewer budget to purchase one since Jetco is nearby. Mayor reported that the grease cleaning "scum bags" he ok'd for purchase for the lift stations seem to be working. They were endorsed by Jetco and were a cheaper option to try before they would purchase a higher priced cleaner for the pit. Manatt's are expected to do the street work in November, but may come earlier due to them moving a plant. They will try to fit us in in October. Brandon Ricken removed "hangers" in trees at the parks and we are waiting for the bill. Regarding the FEMA application, clerk had a phone meeting with the entities last week and has another meeting scheduled for the 20th. She will work on documentation before then to try to make the process go smoothly. The 2nd submittal of the Homeland Security reimbursement for public safety wages has been sent in. After it was sent, the governor's office increased the reimbursement amount from 25% to 50%. Clerk has found out that when the calls to verify come in, they will ask at the time if you wish the higher reimbursement amount and there is no need to resubmit. Danny Smith had requested the Mayor to have the benches on Main Street be moved to make snow removal easier. He and Councilwoman Stahl discussed the situation and came to an agreement as to what would be moved. Beautification Committee will be ordering a bench with a back for the east side of City Hall, and the Rec Board is ordering one for the park in memory of Doug Mansager with memorial money they had received.

Motion made by Hauser with 2nd by Stahl to adjourn. Vote was all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:25.

EXPENSES: GENERAL \$30,214.65, ROAD USE \$2470.60, EMP BENEFITS \$1490.19, LOST FIRE \$138.26, WATER \$10,051.37, SEWER \$8943.34. TOTAL: \$53,308.41.

REVENUES: GENERAL \$20,003, ROAD USE \$22.99, EMP BENEFITS \$188.36, EMERGENCY \$32.96, LOST FIRE \$1035.23, LOST 1ST RESP \$1035.23, POOL \$1040.31, LOST REC CENTER \$1101.45, WATER \$15,046.34, SEWER \$16,484.60. TOTAL: \$55,991.37.

John White, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary L. Pothast, City Clerk