

City of Melbourne
Regular City Council Meeting
November 11, 2024
7:00 at Library basement

Melbourne City Council met in regular session on October 14, 2024, at 7:00 pm at the Melbourne Library basement. Council members present were Council persons Lucas Hauser, Gaege Bracy, Beth Smith and Beth Opperman and City Clerk Pothast, Councilman Hauser called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance. Motion to approve the agenda and bills made by Bracy, 2nd by Smith. Vote was all ayes. There was no public comment. The Sheriff's report was read with no questions or comments. Tracey Beals, owner of the Melbourne Pub has purchased the building next to the bar to utilize for pool tournaments. The rear entrance will be used and no plans to connect the buildings are currently being made. Council's only concern was supervision in the second building while it is being used. Motion to approve the liquor license made by Hauser, pending dram insurance. Second by Bracy. Vote was all ayes.

The public hearing for the budget amendment was opened by Hauser. Clerk discussed all the increased items in the budget, which will be paid for with fund balances or savings. These included pool heater from Local Option Sales Tax savings, streets and water improvements from ARPA money, sewer lining from fund balance, water radio replacement from water fund balance and library programming from grant funds. Motion to close public hearing by Bracy, 2nd by Smith. Vote was all ayes to close. Motion to approve the Amendment and Resolution 24-11-01 by Bracy, 2nd by Smith. Roll call vote was all ayes. Amendment to be submitted to the Department of Management.

In new business, Smith motioned to hire Doug Beadle as the new Public Works Superintendent and approve Resolution 24-11-02. Second by Hauser. Vote was all ayes. Hauler permits for LeGrand Sanitation and Prairie Waste Solutions were submitted with all correct attachments. Motion to approve both by Hauser, 2nd by Opperman. Vote was all ayes. Proposal to inspect and clean the sewer on Ketchum, Hooper and 4th Street by Visu Sewer was presented. PW would like to do them before the road is paved in case of any issues that need to be addressed. Motion to approve by Smith, 2nd by Hauser. Vote was all ayes. Clerk read the procedure to submit debt to the Department of Revenue Setoff program. Motion to approve by Hauser, 2nd by Bracy. Vote was all ayes. Clerk handed out written complaints received at City Hall and tentative responses. There were no issues. Motion to appoint Jayden Chaplin and Annette Lanning (2nd term) to the library board made by Smith, 2nd by Hauser. Vote was all ayes. Council thanks the residents for their community service.

In old business, Clerk did not have an update on 307 2nd Street nuisance property. Motion to adjourn made by Smith, 2nd by Bracy. Meeting adjourned at 7:22.

EXPENSES: GENERAL \$27,917.83, ROAD USE \$86,630.83, EMP BENEFITS \$1832.58, LOST FIRE \$790.69, LOST 1ST RESPONDERS \$30.36, WATER \$75,955.40, SEWER \$7725.71. TOTAL EXPENSES \$200,883.40.

REVENUES: GENERAL \$108,699.10, ROAD USE \$8804.28, EMP BENEFITS \$11,118.46, LOST FIRE \$1282.63, LOST 1ST RESP \$1282.63, LOST POOL \$123.63, LOST REC CENTER \$1282.61, WATER \$17,283.53, SEWER \$20,695.16. TOTAL REVENUE \$171,731.03.

Submitted prior to approval.