

Town of Ashland City  
Board of Mayor and Council  
May 13, 2014

The Board of Mayor and Council met in regular session on May 13, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Present and presiding: Mayor Rick Johnson.

Council present: Alwilda Binkley, Lisa Walker, Jimmy Gill, Roger Jackson and Chris LaCrosse.

Council absent: Vice-Mayor Steve Allen.

Others present: Marc Coulon, Michael Armstrong, Raymond Barnes, Anita Justice, Myrla Sproat, Billy Harris, Wade A Reed, Gary Binkley, Tony Young, Dwayne Noe, Paul Gupton, Greg Edrington, Justin Watkins, Chuck walker, Mary Glasgow, and Phyllis Schaeffer.

Mayor Johnson called the May 13<sup>th</sup> Council meeting to order and declared we had a quorum.

A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Walker to approve the April minutes as typed. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Public Forum:

Mayor Johnson advised at this time if anyone in the audience would like to come forward now was the time to do so.

Justin Watkins approached and said he had spoken to Chief Coulon and would like to see stop signs by the curve near the Catholic Church on Bell Street this is a really busy street. Mr. Watkins said he had a baby and 4 year old and his mailbox has been knocked down numerous times by cars going too fast by this dangerous curve. Mayor said he believes this should be referred to Planning. Mayor said the Chief has had officers patrolling Bell St. Mr. Watkins said yes, he has seen them patrolling here recently. Mr. LaCrosse asked the Chief if we could put the speed machine out as well as a temporary sign warning people to slow down for the people that traverse this area. Maybe put up a children at play sign. Mr. Noe said that we could not put up children at play signs as that will put a liability on the city. Chief Coulon said he is ordering the cable that goes to the speed trailer and when it is repaired he will put the speed trailer on Bell St with a temporary sign stating speed will be strictly enforced. Mr. Watkins thanked the Council.

Mr. LaCrosse said you are going to have a certain amount of this when the houses and streets are close you have to keep your eyes on the children. Mr. LaCrosse asked Jennifer if she would check into the laws on speed bumps.

New Business:

A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Gill to approve Ordinance #418 – 14/15 budget on 1<sup>st</sup> reading. Mayor advised this was a lengthy ordinance and anyone was welcome to a copy. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Gill-yes, Jackson-yes, Walker-yes, Binkley-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Jackson to approve Ordinance #419 – water rates on 1<sup>st</sup> reading. Mayor said again, this is a lengthy ordinance and anyone wanting a copy may come by and get

one. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Jackson-yes, Gill-yes, Binkley-yes, Walker-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Mayor said the next item is the water tanker agreement. Chief Walker said Jennifer and Kingston springs got together and made the agreement the same, the tanker will primarily be used in the county in our rural district but we can use it in the city if needed. We are not held liable the county will be providing the insurance. Ms. Noe made the contract for 2 years with a 1 year out clause. Chief said they would like to see this rolled into the fire contract which expires in 2016. Ms. Noe said the county wanted it for 5 years but doesn't think it needs to be addressed separately. She would like this, the EMS agreement and Fire contract in one. A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Binkley to approve the tanker agreement. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Binkley-yes, Walker-yes, Jackson-yes, Gill-yes, and Mayor-yes.

The next item is the Lindy Murff contract. Ms. Noe said they did not have insurance attached to this and the senior center Director is on vacation. Mayor deferred this to next month so Ms. Womack can have time to discuss with Ms. Murff.

Mayor advised that with the help of Ms. Noe they are going to draw up an ordinance for the event committee Mayor is requesting Board permission to proceed with the process. A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Walker to proceed with the process for an event committee. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Binkley to approve the write off request for water in the amount of \$22,985.97. Ms. Schaeffer said this was up from last year but still less than other previous years before we changed our cut off policy. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Gill-yes, Binkley-yes, Walker-yes, Jackson-yes, LaCrosse-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Walker to pay the invoice requests for Edwards Construction, Goodwyn, Mills and Cawood and Raymond and Associates. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Walker-yes, Gill-yes, Jackson-yes, Binkley-yes, and Mayor-yes. Mr. Edrington said as yet they have to do the as-builts and next month will be the final payment.

Mayor said he does want to report that Dwayne's people have been clearing the area for parking on Water Street. They have actually got a lot done on it. It has made a big difference. Another item is the Mayor needs approval on a security alarm monitoring service agreement at the wastewater plant this will be \$34.95 a month. A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Binkley to approve the professional services agreement for security alarm monitoring at the wastewater plant. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Gill-yes, Binkley-yes, Walker-yes, Jackson-yes, LaCrosse-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Mayor also advised the engineer showed up about the tap and water line on Hwy 12S. Mr. Noe said if we want to go with Rick Mayo we will need to enter into a contract with him as he left the current firm for a new one. Mr. Noe said they can get started but wanted the Council to know they will be coming with a contract.

Ms. Binkley said she had received a complaint about the water pressure on Clark Circle and asked if Dwayne would check on it.

Mr. LaCrosse asked on the contract it shouldn't be too much. Mr. Noe replied no, under \$5,000 for the contract portion.

A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Gill to pay the bills. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Gill-yes, Jackson-yes, Binkley-yes, Walker-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Walker to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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Rick Johnson, Mayor

Phyllis Schaeffer, City Recorder