

Regular Meeting
Wednesday, September 12, 2018
7:00 PM, City Hall

The regular meeting of the Dysart City Council was called to order by Mayor Pro tem T. Glenn, in the absence of Mayor P. Thiele, with Council Members Dabney, Petersen, and Gingrich also present. Council Member Wankowicz absent.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Motion by Dabney, second from Gingrich, to approve the agenda: four ayes, Wankowicz absent.

Mayor Pro tem Glenn welcomed all visitors to the meeting. M. Snyder Behrens, representing the Vision Dysart committee, read a statement encouraging the City Council to consider tax abatements through the development of an Urban Revitalization Plan, expanding opportunities for housing, and other incentives to encourage people to come to our community. B. & C. Olson addressed the Council about sewer issues during the heavy rains over Labor Day weekend. M. Campbell and E. Taylor, representing the Dysart Tree Board, updated the Council on plans for the City Center area.

R. Hillsman of AECOM, presented the facility plan for the City's Sewage Treatment Plant, which must be filed with the DNR by 10/1/18. Upgrades are needed to the system to comply with DNR requirements, and they must be completed and operational by 11/1/21. He presented four options, ranging in cost from \$3.1-\$5.1 million. Motion by Petersen, second from Gingrich, to accept the Facility Plan as presented: four ayes, Wankowicz absent.

K. Ollendieck presented an update on the Little Knights Learning Center, and advised that operations were going smoothly. She also advised that they would not be requesting the balance of their allocation until next spring, and that it should be less than the original pledged amount.

The following items were on the consent agenda: a) Approval of minutes of August '18 meetings; b) Approval of August '18 disbursements and September '18 bills to be allowed; c) Approval of August '18 financial reports; d) Set Halloween observance for Wednesday, October 31, 5 -7 PM; e) Approve renewal of liquor license for Terry's Food Center; f) Approval for Halloween 5K After-Prom Fundraiser to be held on 10/21/18; g) Approval of M. Bahr, A. Schneider, M. Nie and T. Kaiser as members of Ambulance Service; h) Approve R. Aldrich as member of Dysart Ambulance Board to fill vacancy. Motion by Petersen, second from Dabney, to approve the consent agenda: four ayes, Wankowicz absent.

Council members reviewed employee reports. Council authorization was given to advertise the old 2003 pick up and 1994 dump truck for sale. A. Pick advised he may be called

for mutual aid assistance due to Hurricane Florence. Ambulance Director J. Scadden advised she is able to purchase the power stair chair for less money than originally anticipated.

Council reports included updates on various items at the Community Building and baseball diamond improvements. Mayor Pro tem T. Glenn also thanked the Public Works staff and Fire Department for their efforts on Labor Day weekend during the heavy rains.

Motion by Petersen, second from Gingrich, to approve the quote from Hatch Grading to replace a manhole at the tree dump at a cost of \$3,640: four ayes, Wankowicz absent.

Motion by Petersen, second from Gingrich, to approve School Resource Officer training for Officer J. Stenda: four ayes, Wankowicz absent.

Council members discussed developing an Urban Revitalization and tax abatement program and reviewed information provided by Council Member Gingrich. Motion by Gingrich, second from Petersen, to pursue development of a plan for the City of Dysart: four ayes, Wankowicz absent.

D. Luze presented a proposed development agreement for the next phase of Westview Estates, which calls for the City to install the infrastructure, with 40% of the cost to be returned to the City via a lot assessment as lots are sold. Council members will ask the City attorney to review the agreement, and consider the request as they consider an Urban Revitalization and tax abatement program.

Motion by Dabney, second from Gingrich, to authorize payment of the City's share of the new Fire Department rescue truck at a cost of \$69,904.50: four ayes, Wankowicz absent.

Motion by Dabney, second from Petersen, to approve City Clerk R. Schneider's attendance at the IMFOA conference in Des Moines, October 17-19: four ayes, Wankowicz absent.

There being no more business to come before the Council, Mayor Pro tem Glenn declared the meeting adjourned.

T. Glenn, Mayor Pro tem

Attest:

R. Schneider, MMC
City Clerk