

VELVA CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR SESSION Nov 14th, 2016 7:00PM

Velva City Commission meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Commission President Scott Blotter. Pledge recited. Introductions were done by Scott Blotter. In attendance; Jim Wilson, Scott Blotter, McKenzi Kossan, Judy Peterson, Dave Keller, Ben Zietz, Kelly Jemtrud, Ken Kitelinger, Ron Nagle, June & Jim Hager, Jennifer Soli, Geoff & Jennifer Hilton, Laurence Anderson

Motion Zietz/Keller to approve Regular Session minutes from 10/24/16 carried

AUDITORS REPORT

Bills & Financials

Ackerman-Estvold Eng \$30,424.33; Aflac \$542.82; Ameripride \$85.36; BDS Valli \$100.00; BHG Inc \$73.00; Farmers Union Oil Co. \$165.73; Gooseneck Implement \$117.50; Gravel Products Inc. \$683.71; Home of Economy \$31.32; Ihry Ins. Inc.-Towner \$1,959.00; Keller Paving Inc. \$60,238.00; McHenry County Recorder \$18.00; McHenry County Sheriff's Dept. \$20,325.00; Mike Heisler Dry Wall \$3,455.00; Minot Area Chamber of Commerce \$310.00; Mouse River Oil Co. \$379.81; Napa Auto Parts \$48.86; One Call Concepts Inc. \$20.10; Pam Jemtrud \$450.00; SRT \$475.72; TC Specialties \$37.25; Velva Drug Co. \$20.40; Velva Fire Dept. \$6,632.63; Velva Fresh Foods \$72.34; Velva Public Library \$2,033.66; Verendrye Elec. Coop Inc. \$1,333.34; Wilson Law Firm \$2,160.00

Motion Zietz/Soli to pay the bills in their entirety carried Roll Call Vote; Yes, Soli, Keller, Zietz, Blotter

NEW BUSINESS

Jennifer Soli was sworn in for Commission seat as Cemetery Commissioner

CITY COMPLAINTS

Discussion was held on Laurence Anderson sent in City Complaints, Drainage is going on to his property. Visit with the person in regards to the drainage. Hilton's dog defecating on Anderson's property and Hilton's stated they will move the leash for tie out. Witt's dog acting aggressively but is on a leash. We'll research that Rottweiler's are or are not allowed in City limits. Move forward on Ordinance Enforcement and possibly speak to the owner. Attorney Jim Wilson read the Dog Ordinance and it states that any Pit bull Breed is not allowed but nothing about Rottweiler's. Motion made to add to our Ordinance to include Rottweiler's breed of dogs not being allowed within City limits to our City Ordinance. Motion Keller/Soli

ATTORNEYS REPORT

Discussion was held with Attorney Jim Wilson regarding the 2nd reading of ordinance for the Commission Meeting Ordinance Section 3-102.

Approve the 2nd reading carried.

Roll Call Vote; Yes, Soli, Keller, Zietz, Blotter

Attorney Wilson stated that they had a special meeting regards to the complaints on Anderson's property and they will be getting a letter of recommendation to the Complaints.

BUILDING PERMITS

GAMING

Souris Valley Care Center to do a raffle

Motion Keller/Zietz; Roll Call Vote; Soli, Keller, Zietz, Blotter, Yes

POLICE

Discussion was held on 4th quarter Police Fund to McHenry County

PUBLIC WORKS/ENGINEERING

Kelly Jemtrud

Alan Walter

Discussion was held on Demo Info on Welo Bldg, Blotter stated Alan wants to put Welo Building out on bids. Seeing if it's going to be manageable and see what we get.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held in regards the Sale of Properties. Planning & Zoning recommended that they are fine with the Sale of City Properties.

Zietz made motion to advertise the land by Farmers Union C-Store North side of Highway 52 on sealed bids and the right to decline or refuse any or all bids and minimum bid starting at \$120,000.00. Motion Carried; Yes; Zietz/Soli, No; Blotter/Keller; Tabled until next Commission Meeting

Blotter asked the Planning & Zoning Committee about making it mandatory for a building permit for remodels and they stated no. Also discussed Setbacks, currently the setback rule is 30 inches from property line and we will have Attorney Jim Wilson rewrite Ordinance for setbacks stating 6 ft from property line and 10 ft from any other buildings.

Motion Carried; Yes, Blotter, Zietz, Soli, Keller

GUESTS

June Hager stated she was under the understanding that they could come to discuss Anderson's property located at 109 2nd St E. She asked if we could change the Ordinance stating that once a property was purchased that improvements have to be done within a certain amount of time. Feels that in the last 7 years that their property values have gone down in that area of town due to the condition of the Anderson home. People in the area has stated and expressed about selling their properties.

Hilton's stated they just felt they needed to be here.

Laurence Anderson stated he has plans for the home. Takes time and money, it is fully gutted and to please be patient and it will get done.

Jim Hager stated the house sat empty for 4 years prior to Laurence Anderson purchasing it and why wasn't the condition of the home ever brought to the City Commission before by Tax Assessor. Blotter stated if property owner does not allow Assessor in they will automatically assume higher values.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned 8:05 pm. Motion Zietz/Soli, Roll Call Vote; Yes, Soli, Keller, Zietz, Blotter

Commission President
Scott Blotter

Deputy Auditor
Judy Peterson