

CITY OF FOLEY, MINNESOTA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING – January 3, 2017

The Foley City Council held a regular meeting on January 3, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. at the Foley City Hall.

Members Present: Mayor Gerard Bettendorf, Councilmembers Brian Weis, Kris du'Monceaux and Jeff Gondeck.

The meeting was called to order by Acting Mayor du'Monceaux.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Mayor Gerard Bettendorf and councilmembers Jeff Gondeck and Brian Weis took the oath of office.

Motion by du'Monceaux seconded by Weis to approve the agenda. Motion carried, unanimous.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Gondeck seconded by du'Monceaux to approve the consent agenda which includes the following:

- Approving minutes of December 20, 2016.
- Adopting Resolution #2016-04 Accepting Donation.
- Approving the hiring of firefighters Jesse Bleed, Jerome Linn and Travis Sweno.
- Accepting the resignation of Shania Paulson, PT Police Officer.
- Approving payment of the bills paid for checks #49295 - #49323.
- Motion carried, unanimous.

Annual Appointments

Member du'Monceaux requested to step down from appointments of Acting Mayor and EDA. The council discussed and determined the following appointments:

Official Newspaper: Benton County News

Official Process Server: Benton County Sheriff

Health Officer: Dr. Kevin Stiles

Health Board Members: Charlotte Monroe, Jeannie Rajkowski

City Engineering Firm: Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc.

City Attorney: Rinke-Noonan

City Building Inspector: AllSpec Services

City Auditor: Schlenner & Wenner

Gilmanton Township Planning Board Reps: City Administrator & Mayor Gerard Bettendorf

Board of Equalization: Councilmember Kris duMonceaux

Benton County Economic Partnership: City Administrator & Mayor Gerard Bettendorf

Acting Mayor: Councilmember Jeff Gondeck

Official Depository: City Administrator - approve the depositories for City Funds

Approve Collateral: City Administrator - approve the collateral for City investments

Approve bonding of the City Administrator: annual renewal

Emergency Manager: Police Chief Katie McMillin

Public Safety Committee: Councilmember Jeff Gondeck, Robin Gondeck, Jeannie Rajkowski, Dave Mosford, Tom Kaproth, and Amanda Wilken

Library Board: Jennifer Simon

Planning Commission: Noel Lewandowski, Councilmember Jeff Gondeck

Economic Development Authority: Councilmember Jeff Gondeck, Mayor Gerard Bettendorf

Personnel Committee: Councilmember Jeff Gondeck, Mayor Gerard Bettendorf

Motion by Gondeck seconded by du'Monceaux to approve the 2017 annual appointments as presented above. Motion carried, unanimous.

City of Foley - TA Grant Application

Motion by du'Monceaux seconded by Weis to adopt Resolution #2017-01 Adopting Community Vision Plan. Gondeck questioned whether the council is tied to the specifics of the plan. Motion carried, unanimous.

Brunn gave an overview for the need to adopt a resolution supporting the maintenance of the proposed crossings, speed signs and trail extension. Gondeck questioned if public works had any concerns. Public Works Director Mark Pappenfus indicated no concerns. Motion by Gondeck, seconded by du'Monceaux, to adopt Resolution #2017-02 Agreeing to Maintain Facility. Motion carried, unanimous.

Brunn updated the council on the TA application, including cost estimates, project scope and timelines. Motion by du'Monceaux seconded by Gondeck to adopt Resolution #2017-03 Approving TA Application and Funding Commitment. Motion carried, unanimous.

Discussion on 2017 Water Supply Plan

City Engineer Jon Halter updated the council on the need to pursue a water supply plan, which is required every 10 years. du'Monceaux questioned how it relates to existing projects. Pappenfus indicated the process takes approximately 6 months and asked for council approval of the quote. Gondeck asked if the final plan would come back to the council. Motion by Gondeck seconded by du'Monceaux to move forward with the water supply plan as presented. Motion carried, unanimous.

Discussion on vacant city council member position.

Mayor Bettendorf reviewed the vacant City Council member position and indicated interest expressed by Amanda Wilkens and Gary Swanson. Bettendorf outlined a tentative timeline on making the appointment. Bettendorf asked for comments from the public. du'Monceaux indicated support for Amanda Wilken since she ran in the last election. du'Monceaux indicated preference to see a candidate from the last election be selected. du'Monceaux further commented on Wilken's involvement, experience and interest. Weis indicated support for Gary Swanson as a current business owner and the fact that he had served on the council prior. Gondeck indicated a preference to allow the acceptance of applications before making a decision. Bettendorf indicated some time would be required to advertise the open positions. du'Monceaux indicated individuals had time to express interest and Wilken is more than qualified. Bettendorf asked individuals who are interested in the vacant council spot to announce their intention at the open forum.

Mayor's Comments & Open Forum

Amanda Wilken, 250 3rd Avenue, thanked du'Monceaux for supporting her appointment and indicated a willingness to do the job if appointed.

du'Monceaux asked if Swanson was interested.

Department Reports

Chief McMillin updated the council on the monthly law enforcement and comparisons with prior years. McMillin updated the council on a "Day with Police" on Feb. 2 from 4 – 6 p.m.

City Attorney Adam Ripple indicated new guides for elected officials have been provided.

City Engineer Jon Halter updated the council on work on the water supply plan and work on the TA Application.

Public Works Director Mark Pappenfus updated the council on the I/I project. Pappenfus indicated the ice rinks are ready, the sliding hill is open, and work continues on maintenance of the fleet.

Brunn updated the council on activities of the administration office including the plan to conduct council training once the new member is appointed.

There was discussion on council training and the options on making training mandatory in the future.

Old Business

There was no old business discussed.

New Business

There was no new business discussed.

Motion by Gondeck, seconded by du'Monceaux, to adjourn. Motion carried, unanimous.

Sarah A. Brunn, Administrator