

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

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

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

Members Absent: None

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Motion by Gondeck, seconded by duMonceaux, to approve agenda. Motion carried, unanimous.

Motion by Swanson, seconded by Gondeck, to approve the consent agenda which includes the following:

- Approve minutes of September 5, 2017.
- Approve minutes of September 21, 2017.
- Approve Dewey Street Construction Agreement with Benton County.
- Adopt Resolution # 2017-27 Accepting Donation .
- Adopt Resolution #2017-28 Variance for State Aid Operation.
- Adopt Resolution #2017-30 Approving Gambling Premises Permit.
- Approve payment of bills paid for by checks #49930 -#50008.

Motion carried, unanimous.

**Gopher Avenue Reconstruction and Broadway Avenue Sidewalk Extension**

Jon Halter, City Engineer, gave an overview of the proposed project which is a full street and utility reconstruction project. Halter indicated the existing water/sewer run east to west to Hill and this reconstruction would re-align the utilities to be under the street. The new roadway would also add storm sewer and sidewalk on the west side of the road. Halter also indicated obtaining an additional 10 feet of property to widen the road throughout most of the project area which will help support the wider road and sidewalk. Halter than reviewed the sidewalk extension and that existing pedestrian ramps would be used on Broadway Avenue. Gopher costs are estimated at approximately \$560,000. Broadway Avenue sidewalk costs are estimated at about \$32,000. Halter indicated an adjustment to be made by assessing the entire town home association versus the individual tow home owners. Halter requested the council to adopt.

Motion by Gondeck, seconded by Weis, to adopt Resolution #2017-29 Receiving Feasibility and Calling for Public Hearing. Motion carried, unanimous.

**Mayor's Comments and Open House**

Mayor Bettendorf challenged the community to donate blood on Oct. 24 at Henry's Catering. Donations in the community have dropped considerably in the past few years and there is a need for blood.

## **Department Reports**

Katie McMillin gave an overview of the monthly law enforcement report and activities of the police department. Swanson asked about the speed violations and the locations. Gondeck asked about TZD hours and the chief indicated the staff did not participate.

Adam Ripple, City Attorney, had no report.

Jon Halter, City Engineer, updated the council on the Birch drain tile project and progress on the Dewey Street design process. Halter also updated the council on the wastewater facility plan and waiting for the preliminary effluent limits to be received back from the MPCA. Halter also indicated that Jessica Hedin, S.E.H. Wastewater Engineer, provided an update on the projected future growth of the city. Staff looked at the history and targeted a medium growth projection and focused on areas of housing, industrial park growth and commercial development along the highway corridors. City Administrator Brunn asked the council for input on the growth projections and the council was in consensus on the estimates.

Bettendorf asked about the pipes sticking up on Birch Drive and Halter indicated they will be cut off to be flush with the final lift of roadway. Swanson asked about when the city should consider doing this type of project in other areas of town. Halter indicated after a couple years improvement should be seen and the city will know whether it is an effective solution or not.

Mark Pappenfus, Public Works Director, updated the council on the activities of the public works department. Pappenfus also presented quotes requested for sludge sampling as part of the facility plan. Three quotes were requested with only one received back. Motion by du'Monceaux, seconded by Gondeck, to accept the quote from AET. Motion carried, unanimous. Swanson asked about the flows to the wastewater ponds with the I/I improvements. Gondeck asked about the conditions of various pipes in town with fall maintenance that is being conducted.

City Administrator Sarah Brunn updated the council on issues with the contract garbage hauler, Advanced Disposal. Brunn also presented a draft letter prepared by the attorney to Advanced regarding the contract concerns. The council directed staff to send the letter expressing the ongoing service concerns. Brunn also updated the council on the upcoming water shut-off, scheduling a workshop for wastewater and asked for those councilmembers interested in Touching Tables to contact her by the end of the week.

## **Old Business**

There was no old business.

## **New Business**

Bettendorf again asked the community members to support the blood mobile.

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

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Sarah A. Brunn, Administrator