

CITY OF FOLEY, MINNESOTA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING – March 10, 2020

The Foley City Council held a regular meeting on March 10, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. at the Foley City Hall.

Members Present: Mayor Gerard Bettendorf, Councilmembers Jeff Gondeck, Rosalie Musachio Gary Swanson and Jack Brosh.

Members Absent: None

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Motion by Swanson, seconded by Gondeck, to approve the agenda. Motion carried, unanimous.

Consent Agenda

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

- Approve minutes of February 4, 2020.
- Adopt Resolution #2020-04 Use Permit with State of MN Department of Transportation.
- Adopt Resolution #2020-05 Accepting Donation.
- Approve closing of 3rd Avenue for Vet Horse Clinic on April 20, 2020.
- Raul Da La Cruz for part-time police officer position.
- Approve payment of bills paid for by checks #51982 - #52065.

Motion carried, unanimous.

Mayor's Comments & Open Forum

Deb Mathoweiz, 520 Broadway Avenue N, was at the meeting to express concerns about a sidewalk snow removal letter she received and indicated she had removed her snow. She said the letter makes you feel bad and some landlords will count it as a black mark. She expressed concern over the mistake that was made when others were missed.

Department Reports

Police Chief Katie McMillin reviewed the monthly law enforcement report and activities of the police department including the critical incident simulation that is being planned with multiple departments and agencies in the future. McMillin indicated the department will be providing security at the state archery tournament. Gondeck questioned the background that was ceased on the consent agenda.

City Engineer Jon Halter updated the council on the Highway 25 Trail project with bids being planned to be opened in April.

Halter also updated the council on the city alley project. Halter indicated the project curb was not installed correctly and will need to be removed and reinstalled. Swanson asked about getting that water to move away from the building and Halter indicated some improvements will be made. Halter indicated that a freeze/thaw issue is causing the heaving on the police garage side, likely compounded by the wet conditions from last fall when the concrete was poured. Gondeck also asked about the punch list items on 4th Avenue S including catch basins and sidewalks.

Public Works Director Mark Pappenfus updated the council on the activities of the public works department including the brush pile being closed due to wet conditions and the flow monitoring projects. Pappenfus also indicated the city received numerous SCORE grants.

Fire Chief Mark Pappenfus presented the quotes for the SCBA's which will be purchased as part of a FEMA grant. The bids with all the details was presented and a request for approval was sought. Motion by Gondeck seconded by Musachio to approve the purchase of new SCBA's and disposal of old air packs. Motion carried, unanimous.

Brosh asked about the payment from the response to the Becker Northern Metals Fire. Pappenfus indicated he is still collecting information and has not received any correspondence to date on how that is handled. Gondeck asked about new truck progress and it is still a few months out.

City Administrator Sarah Brunn presented a transfers resolution for the 2019 audit. Motion by Swanson, seconded by Gondeck, to adopt Resolution #2020-06 Transfers Between Fund. Motion carried, unanimous.

Old Business

Motion by Gondeck, seconded by Musachio, to adjourn. Motion carried, unanimous.



Sarah A. Brunn, Administrator