

Monday, November 1st, 2021

Hartland City

In Attendance: Warren Johannsen, Molly Sickels, Jackie Schlaak, Kelly Routh, Megian Bell, Andy Flatness, Brooke Olson, Allyson Olson

Absent: None.

Others in Attendance: Linda Johannsen, Tim Butler, Judy Hendrickson, City Attorney David Dopplehammer, Jan Kalbow, Sharon Olson, Dave Harris

Mayor Kelly Routh called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Motion to approve the agenda, minutes from the council meeting on October 4th, and the accounts payable was made by Megian, seconded by Jackie; motion carried.

Public Hearing for Café Demolition:

-The current bid received for the removal of the Café is ~\$60,000; the property is not worth that once the building is demolished. City Attorney David Dopplehammer recommends the first step of the removal process be that the City issues the café owner with an "Order for Removal" so it remains her expense, as well as issuing a judgement against any other properties owned by the café owner to collect if the expense falls back on the City. The Council voted to follow these steps and will let Attorney Dopplehammer deal with the proceedings.

-Motion to pass resolution #2021-2 was made by Megian seconded by Warren, unanimous approval, motion carried. Resolution passed authorizing the City to move forward with an Order for Removal of the café on 512 Broad

Public Input:

-Judy Hendrickson would like the Mayor to make appearance at the tree lighting event November 27th. Lights will be plugged in to the electrical board by tree. City will provide garbage bins for event. Santa suit is missing the wig, City will reimburse Megian for purchasing a new wig for Santa costume. Judy will send bill to City for all food provided.

-One resident brought up illegal dumping at the brush site. The council is aware and has brought it to the attention of the Sheriff's Department.

-Refrigerant system is broken on the water faucet in the community center. Andy will look into repairing/replacing.

Fire Dept.:

-NA

City Maintenance:

-New Christmas street lights: nothing can be brought in this year/season. Everything is made to order and takes 8-10 weeks to deliver. All purchases will have to be for the 2022-2023 Winter Season.

-To combat the ongoing issue with illegal dumping at the brush site, Andy proposed locking the site with a Master lock and selling local residents keys to open the site, for the cost of \$10 which is how much it costs the City to have copies made. Locking the site will most likely begin in Spring of 2022, but residents will be informed of this idea via the December Newsletter. Motion to approve locking the brush dump site and have keys available for sale was made by Molly, seconded by Jackie, motion carried.

-Destruction to bus stop house: walls punched/kicked in, windows cracked. Building will be repaired with thicker boards to prevent future damage.

-Due to recent events involving teens going through vehicles and stealing property from them, Andy suggested the City invest in a surveillance system to be placed on public streets. He will look into systems and propose quotes in a future meeting.

-The City Shop has bunkers that aid with moving rock and dirt piles, that need to be leveled. The cost is \$960, the council approves moving forward with the repair.

City Clerk Updates:

-Brooke suggested using some of the ARPA Grant money to install a handicap/automatic door to the community center, as an infrastructure improvement. Andy will contact Southern Lock and Glass to get quotes.

-Should the ~\$60,000 expense to remove the Café fall back on the City, the Council agrees to take the money out of reserves instead of increasing the budget and therefore raising taxes. The City does not want this expense to affect tax payers.

Council Concerns:

-604 Barker St purchasing city owned lot to build a garage: The owners have property lines staked out and have proposed to buy the staked out portion for \$2,000 plus all related costs of surveying, transferring ownership, etc. The council is in unanimous agreement to sell a portion of the lot, pending potential changes to the proposed property lines. Currently the north property line is even with the north edge of the old water plant building. Andy would like the north property line to be even with the south edge of the old water plant building, to allow for storage of plowed snow.

-A sidewalk on the intersection of Broadway and Main is down and needs removal or repair. The Council agrees to let the affected property owner move forward with removing the damaged section of sidewalk.

-520 Main St progress update: pool is gone, all vehicles are road worthy, furniture is gone, bikes are gone. Council agrees enough has been done and no fines will be issued.

Mayor Concerns:

Miscellaneous:

-Next meeting is Monday, December 6th at 6:30 pm.

-Megian motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm, Warren seconded; motion carried.

Brooke Olson, Hartland City Clerk