



CITY COUNCIL MEETING Minutes Caucus Meeting December 6, 2022

The following Council Members answering roll call:

Amy Hurst	Present	Joyce Carson	Present
Craig Owen	Present	Sebastian Ernst	Present
Darryl Ammerman	Present	Luke Price	Present

Also Present: Attorney Brandon Voelker

Mayor Stinson began meeting with departmental reports.

Departmental reports:

Gary Lea – reported the old house on the Klee farm had been torn down without incident. The bucket truck that had been down for several months had finally been repaired. The leaf truck had been put away for the year and may have to get it back out for gutter clean outs, but for the most part leaf pickup season was over. He had received a couple of quotes to repair the overhead doors at the maintenance garage. Otherwise, maintenance was running smoothly.

Keene Dougherty - reported he had a new employee, Jeff Cropper and that he was picking up quick and would be an asset to the Water Plant. He also reported that Steve McClanahan would be taking his Class III test on December 16th. It was also reported the Lamella equipment was not working properly but they were making repairs. Rumpke would be increasing their hauling. Cardinal Ridge project had begun with equipment having been moved to site.

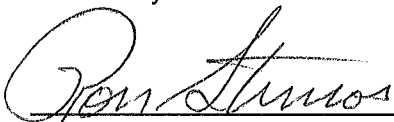
John Lucas – Assistant Chief Lucas submitted the fire reports. Chief Klaber was not present. There was also a contingency of firefighters present. John stated that he needed to surplus an inoperable vehicle. Within the report was also Chief David Klaber's resignation. Among those to speak, Shelia Davis stated she would appreciate the Council's consideration of keeping the current leadership as they have grown over the last two years and have become family. The department as a whole is better than it has ever been under the current leadership. She also stated as a dispatcher, the fire department had made great strides in response times. Several members of Council commended the department for their hard work and dedication to the community. They were also sorry to hear about Chief Klaber's resignation but would take their thoughts and comments into consideration when the time came.

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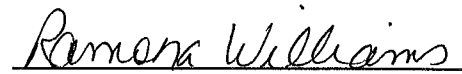
Shannon Clem-not present but report had been sent by Dolly Plummer.

Clerk Ramona Williams – Stated a huge heartfelt thank you to everyone involved with the success of the December 3 parade and festivities. She reported the information received regarding the new sales tax going into effect January 1. She said there is a lot of confusion and deferred comments to Attorney Brandon. He explained the tax is mainly for rental property owners. They will be assessed the tax on the properties that are not declared the main residence/domicile. Renters will be required to complete a form of declaration to their residence. More information is to follow.

Resident Jordan Heron was present and requested to speak. He has concerns regarding a neighbor to them parking on the sidewalk and encroaching on their property. He stated utility vehicles are being parked on the sidewalk as well as they are driving on it to the point it is now cracked. He also stated they had put up a fence that was on their property as well. He was seeking help in what he could do. He stated they have called several times but there was no response from police department. It was stated to make sure they call dispatch and report any incidents to ensure record of calls. Gary Lea will inspect the sidewalk and speak to owners if necessary.



Ron Stinson, Mayor



Attest: City Clerk