

TOWN OF BROOKER
REGULAR MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 8, 2019

Present: Steve Acree, Linda Bennett, Joe Tolleson, Gene Melvin, John Maines, Tony Stalnaker, Charlene Thomas.
Community: Terry Thomas

Meeting called to order by Gene Melvin, Mayor.
Pledge of Allegiance!

Pam Johnson did come to meeting and present her official letter of resignation dated 10/8/19.

A motion was made by Steve Acree to approve the minutes as presented from the September 10th meeting. Seconded by Joe Tolleson. Motion passed.

Fire Department – Tony Stalnaker:

1. Working on Operation Round Up grant application from Clay Electric. Several items are needed. Current Audited Budget 2017/18 and Budget 2018/2019. Clerk will get these items together.
2. He is concerned about our Volunteer Fire Department down the road. The Town may not have one.

Town Clerk – Charlene Thomas:

1. Past due water report was passed out. Still out \$560.45.
2. Went over Revenues and Expenditures for end of year, 09/30/2019. A couple of budget amendments need to be done.
 - a. On the General Fund Expenditures we were over on one line item. Other Physical Envir – Contractual was over by \$400.00. My recommendation is to take \$400.00 from Other Physical Envir – Other Current Charges. This would change the budget amount from \$1,000.00 to \$600.00. Add the \$400.00 to Other Physical Envir – Contractual. This would change the budget amount from \$10,400.00 to \$10,800.00. A motion was made by Joe Tolleson to do this budget amendment on the General Fund side. Seconded by Steve Acree. Motion passed.
 - b. On the Water Fund Expenditures we were over on two line items. Sanitation and Other Contractual Service. My recommendation is to take \$1078.98 from Other Current Charges. This would change the budget amount from \$12,648.00 to \$11,569.02. Add \$131.48 to Sanitation. Changing the budget amount from \$14,500.00 to \$14,631.48 and add \$947.50 to Other Contractual Services. Changing the budget amount from \$11,700.00 to \$12,647.50. A motion was made by Joe Tolleson to do these two budget amendments on the Water Fund side. Seconded by Steve Acree. Motion passed.
3. I have started pulling the audit for Reddish & White.
4. FRDAP – We need to get a pavilion built. The clerk asked Mayor Melvin if he could work on this. He said the person he thought could help us with this is backed up on work. It

was suggested we bid this out. The Clerk asked anyone from the council to ride over to LaCrosse and get the measurements on their small pavilion.

5. Bernard Carter's contract will be up December 31, 2019. I will bid this out.

Water Department – Gene Melvin:

1. Mayor Melvin mentioned the Sensaphone at the Water Department is not working correctly. He advised Bernard Carter to get with Fred Magyari on this.
2. The generator is leaking. Bernard asked the clerk to contact Ring Power and have them come out and fix.

Old Business:

1. Closing end of Melvin Street. No news on this.
2. Ethics Training still needs to be done by Gene Melvin and Joe Tolleson. Gene Melvin turned his paper into clerk.

New Business:

1. The cedar tree at the old city hall needs to be cut down due to ants coming inside of building. The clerk contacted Joe Tolleson on this. Joe contacted S & S Tree Service and the cost to cut down the tree and haul off is \$350.00. A motion was made by Steve Acree to approve the \$350.00 for tree removal. Seconded by Linda Bennett. Motion passed. Joe will contact Keith Starling.
2. Trick or Treat in Brooker will be October 31st from 6pm – 8pm.

Checks approved: 7067 – 7089, 5402 - 5409

A motion was made by Steve Acree to pay the bills. Seconded by Joe Tolleson. Motion passed. Gene Melvin made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Time: 8:02p.m.

C.E. (Gene) Melvin, Mayor

Charlene Thomas, Town Clerk