

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

August 28, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall by Chairman Gary Nelsen.

Roll call was answered by Alderpersons Nelsen, Reed and Workman. Also present was Mayor Page, Treasurer Angel Palmer, Alderperson Smith and City Clerk Janet Waller.

Present in the audience was Brent Wallace from Wallace Refuse and Disposal.

Alderperson Reed made a **motion to approve the July 24, 2023 Finance Committee meeting minutes**, seconded by Alderman Workman. Motion carried with Alderperson Nelsen, Reed and Workman voting aye and 0 nays.

Under old business:

Mayor Page updated the committee on 326 N Poplar. The owner would like to turn the property over to the City as they are unable to repair or demolish the house. A title search for liens will be done. There is an outstanding water bill for over \$800 and the council will need to make a decision on the outstanding bill. The council will also need to decide if the City receives the property to sell it as is with conditions to demolish the house or if the City will need to demolish the house before selling.

Under new business:

An ad for bids will be submitted to the Golden Prairie News for 712 E Illinois Street. Bids will be opened in October.

The committee discussed the old Bond School property. Mayor Page would like to pay for the tree removal from RHG and the property owner will be billed for the cleanup.

Mayor Page had been approached about possibly getting a defibrillator at the concession stand. It was also brought up about getting some for churches also.

The printer in the Treasurer's office has not been working properly. The committee agreed to getting a new printer.

There is standing water in the drain in the boiler room. Horton's will be called to fix the drain.

Mayor Page informed the committee that Dr Joe Sheehan will be here from Kerry Farms at the council meeting for a presentation.

The committee discussed the request to change the serving liquor age from 21 to 18 years old. Committee agreed to send to council for further discussion.

The Knotty Pine Bar and Grill submitted an application for TIF. Committee reviewed the information from Moran and Associates and agreed to place on the council agenda.

The committee reviewed the sidewalk quotes and agreed to place on the agenda at council.

The price for a new hydrant will be approximately \$5,000.00 and will be paid with ARPA funds.

The Water Dept would like to approve \$15,000.00 from the Lead Service Line Grant for 120Water.

There will be 3 TIF ordinances on the council agenda to approve for the TIF Amendment.

The Chastain invoices were reviewed and will be placed on the agenda for council.

The council discussed the serving age of alcohol again at length.

Public Comments:

Brent Wallace from Wallace Refuse & Disposal would like the City to consider him for an option for the trash service. His rates were discussed and recycling will be offered twice a month. Every resident will received a 96 gallon tote for trash and will be offered a recycling tote. Extra totes will be \$10.00. Pickup would be in the street. The billing was discussed on whether he would bill or the City.

Finance Committee meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Janet Waller

City Clerk