Official Minutes of the Ceylon City Council

July 10, 2018

Ceylon, Minnesota

The Ceylon City Council held their regular meeting on July 10, 2018 at the Ceylon City Hall. Members present: Mayor Lon Oelke, Councilmen: John Gibeau, Amanda Diers, Chad Dunlop & Thomas Plumhoff. The meeting was called to order at 6pm by Mayor Oelke. Also attending the meeting Chris Griffin, Fred Schmidtke, Sharon Rosen from the Sentinel Newspaper, Wayne Walter, Eric & Melanie Muller, Dax McCarthy, Terry Muller, Angie Ziemer, Barb Kronback & Angie Thompson.

It was moved by Diers and seconded by Dunlop to approve the night’s agenda. Motion carried.

During the Public Comment, Angie Ziemer asked about zoning in the city. She lives in a residential zoned neighborhood and has businesses operating on both sides of her home. She asked council to not grant anymore permits. She also inquired about weed control in the city. Councilmen Gibeau stated there is a noxious weed control code in Ceylon. Mayor Oelke will look into it.

It was motioned by Diers and seconded by Dunlop to approve June 12, 2018 Minutes. Motion carried. It was moved by Plumhoff and seconded by Diers to approve June Financial Report as submitted by the clerk. Motion carried. It was motioned by Diers and seconded by Gibeau to approve July submitted bills. Motion carried.

It was moved by Dunlop and seconded by Plumhoff to approve Ordinance No. 2018-1 An Ordinance Establishing Standards for Rental Housing Units. Motion carried.

Fred Schmidtke asked Council for use of the softball fields on September 14th – 16th, 2018. He will do all the prep work for the fields. It was motioned by Dunlop and seconded by Plumhoff to approve use of fields. Motion carried with Gibeau abstaining.

It was moved by Diers and seconded by Dunlop to approve the Election Judges for 2018. Judges are Jane Leiding, MaryAnn Hansel, Bernice Lehmann, Sherry Schmidt, Rosemary Saggau & Mary Muller. Motion carried.

It was motioned by Plumhoff and seconded by Dunlop to approve a liquor license for Fred Schmidtke owner of Legend’s II for the 2018/2019 year. License Fee set at $800.00. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Diers and seconded by Plumhoff to move the August meeting date to August 7, 2018 at 6pm in the council room. The change is due to the Primary Election held on August 14th, 2018.

City Works Employee Jim Plumhoff reported on the repair of the water tower. Work is scheduled to begin the first week of August. Bolton & Menk are still surveying the water line repair on Grant Street. Wayne & Mike Walter looked into the front of the Old City Hall building. The bricks need to be removed or braced. Council would like to get sealed bids for the repair. City Clerk asked about the junk letters that were sent out. How did the council want to move forward? Council will go out after meeting and submit a list to the Clerk. Clerk will then have citations given by the Sheriff’s Department. Councilmen Diers would like to see the donation of the playground equipment accepted in a resolution form. She wants the Council to attend a training/information session with the League of MN Cities on the 21st of August. Council voted to have the meeting held at City Hall at 6pm. Mayor Oelke gave the Fire Association Report. Issues with grass rig brakes and air conditioner. Mayor Oelke asked if there were any new members for the gym. As of present there are no members. It was motioned Gibeau and seconded by Diers to adjourn. Motion carried. Council went into closed session to do employee evaluations. Effective July 1, 2018 James Plumhoff’ will receive an wage increase of $2,080.00 per year. Mary Muller will increase from $16.00 per hour to $16.50 per hour. Insurance stipend will increase to $3,500.00 per year. It was motioned Dunlop and seconded by Gibeau to approve all increases. Motion carried. Next council meeting will be held on August 7th, 2018 at 6pm in the council room.

Mary M Muller

Clerk~Treasurer