

Sprague City Council Meeting
Wednesday, July 18, 2018 7:00 P.M.
Location: Sprague City Hall, 119 W Second
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Open Meeting:

Mayor Eagleson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members answered to roll call: Jeff Smith, Trace DeGarmo, Rocky Henson and Shawn Coombs.

Approve/amend Agenda:

Coombs moved to approve agenda as amended. Smith seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes:

The minutes from the June 20, 2018 Council meeting were presented to the council. DeGarmo moved to approve the minutes from the June 20, 2018 council meeting. Coombs seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Maintenance Report:

Public Works Director Justin Sauer was present to read the maintenance report. See attached report.

CenturyWest - Dan Remmick:

Dan Remmick reported that he has been updated by the contractor for the lift station that they are delayed again due to equipment back order. The new start date is August 20th and once construction starts it will go quickly. Construction will be approximately six weeks from start to finish. Department of Ecology said we need a flow meter for the lift station because the lagoon is not recording accurately. Dan reported that FEMA Repair cultural survey will be coming in the next couple weeks, so we will be needing public hearings in the near future. Dan presented to the council the attached TIB six year transportation plan draft that is due August 18 and informed the council that we will need to have a public hearing at the next meeting in August to approve it. Smith asked if we will be getting sixth street paved. Remmick informed him TIB will not pay for roads that have not already been paved. Coombs asked where we are on getting H street bridge fixed and Remmick let him know it is still in the permitting process. Jill Sheffels asked Remmick about getting an ADA assessment for the whole city and Remmick let her know he will look into it.

Public Comment:

Jill Sheffels: Chamber needs renters for the community center. Jill wanted to let the council know that Just Sprague is teaming up with Lisa and the library to raise money for the kids and programs to use the community center. They are working on a calendar of

events and they are raising money for the library to rent out the community center. They will be selling tye-dye shirts that the kids made at the Hoodoobilly Bash to raise funds. All money is going for activities. She reported five kids showed up to help seniors at the Oasis.

Sherry Kimberling: Wants to ask the council about instating an ordinance for cats. Her neighbor has 13 cats that all come over to her house, digging holes and defecating in her yard. Eagleson stated we will have animal control officer Kyle Canaday check out the situation. Coombs stated that this could be a possible nuisance violation. She also stated his fence is blocking the sidewalk. Sauer said he will look into it immediately. Sherry informed him that her neighbor is extremely combative and will not cooperate with her at all.

Z Nation: Pete Moroz and Debbie Dahlstrom presented to the council the plan for street closures, so they can film in Sprague again on Monday July 23rd. They stated they will be filming one day in Sprague and four days on Chris Laney's farm. Council looked over the attached request for street closures. DeGarmo asked if they will be rotating the closures instead of keeping everything closed all day. They reported that they as soon as they are done filming in one section they will open the street back up and move on to the next one. Access will not disrupt fire department. North Star will provide all traffic control and they said they have notified businesses of the filming and street closures. Guy Swift mentioned that harvest will be starting, and first street being closed may affect the farmers, so it is something to consider. Sheffels informed them she is the only one harvesting and they have no problem. Debbie also wanted to let everyone know that there will be actors with fake guns running around. Clerk/Treasurer Behrens said she will put up flyers around town to let residents know about the street closures. Coombs made a motion to approve the street closures. DeGarmo seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Sheriff's Report:

See attached report.

Treasurer's Report:

Behrens presented the Check Warrant Register from June 1, 2018 to June 30, 2018
06/01/2018 through 06/30/2018

Claims: Checks #11942-11945 and 11947-11953 and 11957 and 11960-11981 and 11984 and 3 EFT's = \$46,478.30

Payroll: Checks # 11946 and 11954-11956 and 11958-11959 and 11982-11983 and 11985-11993 and 2 EFT's = \$12,200.25 Total: \$58,678.55

Coombs moved to approve the Check Warrant Register. Smith Seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Eagleson reported that the public works department has been working on the little park next to the Oasis. They will be beautifying the park and he wants to start

hearing suggestions for a formal name, as “puke park” is no longer appropriate. Also, Stan Wills generously donated a bunch of flags & banners, already up at city hall and the park, thanks to Justin & Kyle’s good work putting them up. We will be putting more around the city, especially downtown.

Old Business:

Jill Sheffels– Chamber Building: Jill wanted to update the council on the chamber meeting held this month regarding the building. The chamber has a list of criteria they would like to put in a contract if they were to sell the building. She reported she will take the attached list to the next meeting to see if they can refine it a little bit and she will report any changes to the council. No action is needed at this time.

New Business:

Surplus Property-Pump: DeGarmo stated that we originally bought this pump to rotate with another one in case one went down. Coombs stated that now the lift station is being replaced we no longer have a need for this pump and it has never been used. Henson advised we should surplus and advertise it for \$6,000. Coombs made a motion to surplus the pump. Henson seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Randy Westfall-Street Closures: Westfall is requesting street closures for Sprague Days on September 8th from 6:00 pm until 12:00 am. He is expecting to have a street dance with a band. The closures would be for the intersection of 1st street and D street. Eagleson asked that Randy have something in writing showing the exact street/intersection he is requesting closure for. Westfall stated he will get that in as soon as possible. Henson made a motion to approve the street closure. Coombs seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

City Banners: Clerk/Treasurer Behrens presented to the council some ideas for banners for our light poles downtown. Behrens stated that she originally thought we could use funds from the hotel/motel tax for the purchase but then discovered it could only be used for a specific event. The council agreed that downtown would look very nice with new banners and advised Behrens to see if we could fit it in the budget.

Adjournment:

Mayor Eagleson adjourned the meeting at 8:00 P.M.

We, the undersigned members of the City Council for the City of Sprague, DO HEREBY Certify that these minutes are true and correct from this Council meeting.

Mayor_____ Council Member_____

Council Member_____ Council Member_____

Council Member_____ Council Member_____

ATTEST: _____ Clerk/Treasurer