

SWEETSER TOWN COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes December 13, 2018

I. Call to Order/Roll Call of Council Members Present/Pledge of Allegiance/Prayer

The regular meeting of the Sweetser Town Council was called to order at 7:15 pm on December 13, 2018 at the Sweetser Town Hall by Rich Gamble.

Roll Call:

Dave Fox-Aye

Matt Stewart-Aye

Chuck Briede – Aye

Rich Gamble – Aye

Travis LeMaster-Aye

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rich Gamble. Prayer was given by Matt Stewart.

II. Review and Approval of Minutes / Review and Approval of Bills

Travis LeMaster made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 29 meeting as written. Dave Fox seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Dave Fox-Aye

Matt Stewart-Aye

Chuck Briede-Aye

Rich Gamble-Aye

Travis LeMaster-Aye

Dave Fox made a motion to accept the bills as written. Chuck Briede seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Dave Fox-Aye

Matt Stewart-Aye

Chuck Briede-Aye

Rich Gamble-Aye

Travis LeMaster-Aye

III. Open Public Forum

- No comments

IV. Department Reports

- Police Department
 - No report.
- Waste Water plant and town maintenance
 - No Report.

V. Continuing Business

- Rich and Dave reported that the wastewater plant remedial work has been substantially completed by Triad. Items completed include:
 - Water lines buried
 - Trusses treated with mold suppressant
 - Translucent roof panels removed
 - Additional lighting installed
 - New vents installed.
- Dave related that he did notice some condensation and thus we may still have an issue Devin will need to monitor.
- Dave reported that during a test a Triad rep had pressed the wrong control which resulted in a spill. The town will incur expense to clean-up the spill. Rich said he will instruct Devin to approach Triad for and request reimbursement for the clean-up costs.
- Leaf vac issue – Matt said it seems clear that repairing the equipment is the only realistic path for the town. After discussion, the consensus view of the council was in agreement with Matt’s assessment. Timing of the repairs to be decided.
- Ignite Fuel issue – Matt asked for an update. Dave said that contractor Mitch Cook was waiting on the conditions in the field to dry some; Mitch feels it has been too wet to-date.
- Travis initiated a discussion of the Town’s record retention responsibilities. The discussion focused on the most cost effective way of disposing of non-critical documents that the town is not required to archive. Rich ask Travis to investigate options and costs.

VI. Continuing Business

- Search for new town attorney
 - Michael Hotz has submitted a resume
- Nepotism policy forms were distributed, signed by council members and clerk, and collected
- Park Department President Steve Kelley requested two \$100 checks for three volunteers who have contributed, and continue to contribute, significant time and materials to maintain the flower beds along the trail.

Matt Stewart made a motion to pay from the Parks Department Fund \$100 to Dennis Brinkman and \$100 to Terry & Teresa Shafer for their contributions of time and materials to maintaining the flower beds along the trail. Travis LeMaster seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Dave Fox-Aye

Matt Stewart-Aye

Chuck Briede-Aye

Rich Gamble-Aye

- Steve Kelley reported that the Governor has announced a new Trails Grant program.
- Clerk presented updated cash statement and reviewed with council
- Clerk initiated discussion of lien policy for past due wastewater bills. Current policy is to file twice a year: May & November. After discussion, clerk will initiate in 2019 filing of liens once an account becomes 3 billing cycles (months) past due.

Next Meeting

- Next Council Meeting is December 20, 2018, 7:00 pm.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Meeting Minutes taken by:
John Potter / Clerk Treasurer
