

REGULAR MEETING

The City of New Melle Board of Alderman meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. The meeting was held at the New Melle City Hall, located at 145 Almeling Street.

The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Rich West
Alderman Nik Bradley
Alderman Doug Bice - Absent
Alderman Janet Karrenbrock
Alderman Don Hendrich
City Clerk Karen Hotfelder
Attorney Steve Martin

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Alderman Hendrich made a motion, seconded by Alderman Karrenbrock to approve the agenda as amended by having the PWSD#2 Report immediately after the Building Inspection Report. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Alderman Hendrich, seconded by Alderman Bradley to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2015 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Alderman Karrenbrock and seconded by Alderman Hendrich to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2015 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

OPEN FORUM

Ken Birk asked about the location of the pipeline in the City limits. He thought it was behind Nicole Parc. Mayor West suggested that he contact the New Melle Fire Department for the location. Ken also asked about the Water Project in Nicole Parc and the representatives stated that it would be paid off in 2017.

FINANCE REPORT

There was no Finance Report.

ENGINEERING REPORT

Kurt Kutter submitted a sample of the costs involved in upgrading Schutzen Street. He will look at Mill Street due to higher traffic usage.

BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT

Bob Barclay will issue a letter to 4574 Hwy Z. He also sent 3 letters to owners that had not completed older building projects and/or had not had a final inspection.

PWSD#2 REPORT

Brian Pieper presented a Power Point program of the existing wells and sewers in the City of New Melle along with the proposed upgrades and additions for the future. Matthew Jaspering also was present to answer questions concerning the projects.

OLD BUSINESS

1. The Board discussed the song presented at the last meeting by Joe Bizelli and decided that they did not wish to make the song the City's theme song. Mayor West will contact Joe.

2. The Board discussed the email received by Cochran Engineering concerning the status of the Quarry Wine Garden. No work is currently being performed and the permits are due to expire. The Board will not issue any extension after the end of the year (December 31, 2015.)
3. The Mayor and Board chose 10 new Christmas Street Decorations and the Mayor will order them.
4. The Planning and Zoning Commission will continue with the involuntary annexation process and make recommendation to the Board. Annexing the vacant properties was discussed.
5. City Clerk Hotfelder is continuing to issue the information for the website and plans for it to be operational by the end of the year.
6. Hochschild Bloom will meet with City Clerk Hotfelder on December 1 to begin the audit and has already issued letters to all parties for information.
7. Botz and Deal will begin their Quarterly Review with budget information for the 2016 FY.

NEW BUSINESS

1. See Report Above
2. Alderman Hendrich made a motion, seconded by Alderman Karrenbrock to approve Change Order #1 by Hankins Construction for the City Hall Remodel as recommended by Cochran Engineering. Motion passed unanimously.
3. The discussion to authorize the City to continue applying and collecting the local sales tax on the titling of motor vehicles was tabled for more information from Attorney Martin.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Hendrich made a motion to adjourn at 9:08 p.m., seconded by Alderman Karrenbrock. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Hotfelder, City Clerk