

Federal Dam City Council
Regular Meeting
November 13,2023
Unapproved
Unedited
6:00pm

Present: Mayor: Raines Council: Kunnari, Zobava, Hardies, Lego, Deputy Clerk Payment, Clerk Treasurer Knox.

Absent:

Visitors: Jon Baker, Cindy Lemm, Justin Payment, Rory Sherman

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda: M/S/P Kunnari, Hardies (5 ayes, no nays)

Approval of Consent Agenda: M/S/P, Kunnari (5 ayes, no nays) to approve following: Minutes of previous City Council meeting, Cash Control Statement, FDSP Billing and Expense Reports, FDSP Customer Balance Summary, Approval of Claims, M/S/P, Zobava, Kunnari (5 ayes, no nays) \$6,742.86 and Payroll M/S/P Hardies, Zobava (5 ayes, no nays). Receipts and Disbursements.

Citizen Petitions, Request:

Visitor Request

Jon Baker, Attorney at Law Walker, MN.

F.D.S.P.

Revenue vs Expenditures Sewer Fees, Assessment fee (\$50.00). Fee to cover \$10.00/County, \$40.00/ postage, letters, and wages.

Delinquent Sewer Bills: (over \$200.00 balance due)

An assessment letter was written and read by Treasurer Knox. The letter explained that the City of Federal Dam will be putting an assessment of your taxes at the Cass County Courthouse. The assessment will include a fee to cover the \$10.00 charge for the county and a city fee of \$40.00 to cover wages and postage for the city. The dollar amount will be eliminated if the balance is paid by December 31, 2023 the city will waive the fee.

M/S/P Kunnari, Zobava (5 ayes, no nays) to send assessment letters to residents with \$200.00 balance. Total fees on \$50.00 to cover county (\$10.00) and clerk fees, and postage (\$40.00).

Sewer Blankets are all put down. There is one extra blanket, if needed maintenance worker can get them in Longville.

OLD BUSINESS

Treasurer Knox added that Dan Tonga has a snowplowing contract on file for 2022-2024. Knox contacted Tonga and he will do the job for this winter. Same price as last year.

DBS sent an email stating that they are continuing to work on an invoice for the work that was done. No other updates.

NEW BUSINESS

Enbridge purchased new AED machines for the City Hall, Church, and Isle Harbor. A class needs to be held for training and will be open to the public. Mayor Raines will speak with the trainer and set a date and then we will put an ad on the paper.

M/S/P Zobava, Kunnari (5ayes, no nays) to run an ad in the Pinecone press advertising AED CPR training sign up. (Date to be determined.)

M/S/P/ Zobava,Hardies (5ayes,no nays) to have Treasurer Knox obtain a First National Bank credit card for the clerks to use, with a \$1200.00 monthly limit. A debit card cannot be used legally by a city, so we need a credit card in case we can not be billed by certain vendors.

The council wants to start getting bids for the demo of the flooring and concrete work for the city hall. The council would like ads to put in the Pinecone Press, (Longville, Remer area) Herald Review (Grand Rapids) and Pioneer (Bemidji), Pilot (Walker) newspapers.

M/S/P Zobava,Kunnari (5ayes, no nays) to put Demo, floor removal, concrete work, heated slab, bid in newspapers.

Jon Baker Attorney at Law introduced himself to the council. He is happy to work for the city on an as needed basis.

M/S/P Zobava,Kunnari (5ayes,no nays) to hire Jon Baker as our City Attorney.

Dogs running at large continues to be a problem. Dogs are starting to form packs. Mayor would like clerks to contact Cass County and let them know the dogs are becoming aggressive again, and we would like to know if anything can be done.

Several complaints were received about the dogs running at large, and residents with garbage in their yard. These issues will be investigated. Our attorney will be contacted to see what we can do

about these issues. Mail delivery and residents driving by are having trouble due to garbage in the ROW.

Clerk Notes.

The next City Council meeting will be the Working meeting scheduled for Dec 11, 2023, at 6 pm.

ADJOURNED

M/S/P Kunnari, Zobava (5ayes, no nays) 6:33 p.m.

ATTEST TO:

Kenneth Raines—Mayor

Linda Knox—Clerk-Treasurer