City of Federal Dam Working Session

December 5, 2023 @ 6:00 P.M.

Call Meeting to order 6:00P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

View minutes, claims, payroll and cash control statement from November's meeting.

Visitors: Rory Sherman

FDSP:

Mark Saunders said he will give the gallons of water used to clerks for 2023, so they can finish appropriate paperwork.

Clerk Payment reached out to Jon Johannsen from MN RURAL WATER to get a free rate study done. Clerk explained the rate study would be good to do to get an idea of money spent on our sewer system and money coming in.

Old Business:

New Business:

Treasurer Knox explained that we have received \$26,759.86 from Cass County for property taxes and we also have some money from assessments that were done in 2022. Knox has called the bank to confirm this. Clerk Payment has updated our QuickBooks system to reflect payments made to sewer.

Assessment letters were sent out last month and there have been no complaints from residents Knox reported.

Councilmember Lego mentioned there is a new dog roaming around town, and it is not a nice dog.

Knox stated that her new office hours will be THURSDAY'S 10:00 AM to NOON. She will stay later if needed.

Our new attorney Jon Baker has sent some information on things we can do about the dogs running at large and the trash in the right of way and in yards.

Council would like to put our ongoing dog issue on the agenda for our regular meeting December 11th.

We have received two calls about giving a bid for our city hall repairs. One from Creative Concepts (Remer), and one from TNT Construction (Grand Rapids). Both companies have been to our hall with Maintenance worker Justin Payment to go through the building. Bids were ran in newspapers for three weeks.

Clerk Payment reached out to a project manager from Widseth. He has resources that can help our city look for grants and monies available for our city. He will try to be at our January 8th meeting to speak to the council about the services they offer.

DBS UPDATE

Our 10% down payment will finally be sent back to us from the August 28th City Hall Repair Project DBS was hired to do. In the contract it states they keep 10% no matter what. If we choose to use DBS in the future, that money will go towards the cost of our project.

Clerk Payment will let Sourcewell know, and send appropriate paperwork to them. Sourcewell has sent us \$50,000 for this project through a grant.

Treasurer Knox spoke to the council about the council pay for 2023. Checks will be ready for our December 11th meeting.

Knox showed the Claims List for November and mentioned it was very low.

We have a payment to USDA Knox noted. That will be an automatic payment that will come out in January.

Knox went over payroll for November.

Payment asked what council would like on the agenda. Kunnari and Zobava want to make sure the streets and cleaning up the trash in the right of way is put on the agenda. Snow removal will be difficult if there is garbage in the roadways.

Dogs running at large will be on the agenda also.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:24 PM.

Regular Council meeting will be December 11, at 6:00P.M.