

**City Of Green Isle
City Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 28, 2017 (7 pm)
City Office Council Chambers**

- 1) **Call the meeting to order** Mayor Kreger called the meeting to order at 7 pm
- 2) **Pledge Of Allegiance**
- 3) **Council members present** Mayor Kreger, Wentzlaff, Harms, Schauer, Brown
- 4) **Staff present** Clerk Panning
- 5) **Others present** John Mueller (Belle Plaine Herald), Amy Newsom (EDA), City Attorney Arneson
- 6) **Public comment period** No one
- 7) **Approval of the Agenda** Schauer, Kreger, Harms, Brown asked to be added to the Agenda

Motion made by Harms & seconded by Wentzlaff to approve the Agenda with the additions. Motion carried 5/0.

- 8) **Approval of the Consent Agenda**
 - A) Approval of the minutes from the March 14, 2017 meeting
 - B) Approval of the claims for March 28, 2017 totalling \$32,434.21

Motion made by Brown & seconded by Schauer to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried 5/0.

9) **Update on the Community School** Mayor Kreger stated that he has a meeting lined up with the school, Attorney Arneson, AEM and he and one other Council member. The meeting is scheduled for April 04, 2017 at 9 am in the City Office. Council member Wentzlaff said he will attend.

10) **Amy Newsom (EDA)** Mayor Kreger began by saying he was approached by Mike Goetsch who had an interest in putting up a brewery in Green Isle and looking at other cities as well. Kreger said that they are looking at constructing a 15,000 sq. ft. building, having 44+ employees. They do not have a plan at this time to have a tap room in the facility. Amy Newsom said that she has met with the individuals & recommended a couple of lots. She also said she would have Sibley County Surveyors draw up a plan showing the building on the lot/lots to be sure ample room is available. She wants to know what the City wants to prepare as a package to them. Items for discussion were..sell the lot for \$1.00, forgive the assessments on the lot, and a possible tax abatement. Arneson said that some rules and regulations would apply to go with a purchase agreement such as—putting up a building within a certain amount of time, have x number of employees, etc. Kreger also stated that at some time in the process that the City water would be checked to be sure it was compatible with brewery needs.

Motion made by Harms & seconded by Wentzlaff to have Amy present a package to the brewery people stating that we would sell the lot for \$1.00, offer a 5 year tax abatement, forgive the assessments on the lot of their choice. Motion carried 5/0.

Amy also said that she learned that our application to the USDA for EDA revolving loan was looking good but she said that we would have a better chance if the City agreed to more than the \$5,100.00 contribution that was agreed upon earlier. She also stated that she has received a number of letters of recommendation from City businesses to be sent to the USDA. Harms said that he is against any additional dollars as part of the package. He would only agree to the \$5,100.00 and nothing more. Amy said that a

Resolution is required saying that the City has agreed to contribute \$5,100.00 towards the loan application.

Motion made by Wentzlaff and seconded by Brown to approve Resolution stating the City would contribute \$5,100.00 towards a revolving loan from the USDA. Motion carried 5/0.

NB Development Attorney Arneson said that he has contacted NB Development again and they said a check would be sent shortly. The City is now due \$11,700.00. 2 payments were missed in 2016 and the January payment in 2017. Arneson will check with Clerk Panning to see if a check has been received. He also said that he would send them an invoice 2 times a year.

- 11) **Other matters** Council member Brown said that the Green Isle sign coming into town from Arlington is in need of some repair paint. Kreger said that maybe she could get in touch with the Lion's regarding this matter.

Harms stated that he has been made aware of the fact that there is broken glass on the streets due to garbage falling from the garbage trucks. It was decided to look at this again in the next meeting to see if a spring street sweep may be necessary. Kreger said that Kerby can also help in this glass cleanup if needed.

Schauer asked the status of the alley resurfacing. Wm Mueller and Sons is coming to town to check the alley, check 365th or Church Street and possibly do some striping on Lake Erin Drive. They then will supply the City with proposals for all 3 areas.

Mayor Kreger said that 1 beaver has been trapped at the pond on the east side of town.

Brown brought up the email that was sent to the City complaining about the roof at 296 McGrann and some of the sidewalks in town needing repair. Kreger said that Vos is going to repair the roof. The sidewalks will have to be addressed in the 2018 budget.

Motion made by Wentzlaff and seconded by Harms to adjourn at 8:00 pm.
Motion carried 5/0.

ATTEST

Mayor Kreger

City Clerk Panning