

RUSHVILLE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

1. ROLL CALL & CALL TO ORDER

The Rushville City Council met in the meeting room of the City Hall building. Upon convening, Mayor Carson Klitz directed Judy Caputo to call the roll. Upon ROLL CALL, the following answered present: Council Members: Susan Acker, Richard Davis, Terry Dodds, Jeff Ervin, Bob Lambert, Barry Rebman, Mike Ryan, and Paul Trimble. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Others present included: Judy Caputo; Nathan Campbell, Superintendent of Operations; David Haney of *The Rushville Times*; Adam Fox, Benton & Associates; and Brian Matteson.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Carson Klitz.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at this time.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

All items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as the first item after approval of the Consent Agenda.

- a. Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held January 3, 2023
- b. Approve the Minutes of the Combined Police Committee Meeting held January 11, 2023; & Sewer Committee Meeting held January 11, 2023
- c. Approve "Claims for Council Approval Dated 01/17/23" & Accept Monthly Reports
- d. Consider Suspending Rules RE: Ordinance No. 1356, Amending Ordinance No. 625, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 625 (An Ordinance Providing for the Installation of Motor Vehicular and Pedestrian Control Signs and Providing Penalties for Violation of the Same) – *Smart Rural Community Signs*
- e. Pass & Adopt Ordinance No. 1356, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 625 (An Ordinance Providing for the Installation of Motor Vehicular and Pedestrian Control Signs and Providing Penalties for Violation of the Same) – *Smart Rural Community Signs*

Acker REQUESTED TO HAVE ITEMS "D" AND "E" REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA.

Ervin MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, WITH THE EXCEPTIONS OF ITEM "4D & 4E". Rebman SECONDED, AND THE MOTION CARRIED WITH AN ALL "YEA" ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: 8 YEAS – Acker, Davis, Dodds, Ervin, Lambert, Rebman, Ryan & Trimble; 0 NAYS; 0 ABSENT.

5. ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA – IF APPLICABLE

Items "4D & 4E": Council Member, Susan Acker, stated she would like more information on what these signs are. Superintendent of Operations, Nathan Campbell states the signs are Cass Communication signs that state the city is a *Smart Rural Community*. Council Member, Jeff Ervin asked if the "No" on Ordinance 1356 needs to not be italicized, or maybe deleted. **Consensus was to place these items on the next council agenda for approval.**

6. DISCUSS & CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Ervin stated Benton & Associates have provided a Project Schedule for the water system improvement projects and they are ready to advertise for bids. *Said schedule is attached and a part of these minutes.*

Ervin MOVED TO APPROVE AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS. Trimble SECONDED, AND THE MOTION CARRIED WITH AN ALL “YEA” ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: 8 YEAS – Acker, Davis, Dodds, Ervin, Lambert, Rebman, Ryan, & Trimble; 0 NAYS; 0 ABSENT.

7. DISCUSS & CONSIDER APPROVING AMENDMENT #1 TO ENGINEERING SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH BENTON & ASSOCIATES.

Ervin reported this is an amendment to include the tank at hilltop, bidding and construction.

Ervin MOVED TO APPROVE AMENDMENT #1 TO ENGINEERING SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH BENTON & ASSOCIATES. Dodds SECONDED, AND THE MOTION CARRIED WITH AN ALL “YEA” ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: 8 YEAS – Acker, Davis, Dodds, Ervin, Lambert, Rebman, Ryan & Trimble; 0 NAYS; 0 ABSENT.

8. DISCUSS & CONSIDER REBUILDING PUMP AT SOUTH MASTER LIFT STATION

Ervin reported, at the last meeting, it was agreed to purchase a new pump, but when the pump was pulled and sent it in, it was thought to be an emergency so parts were ordered. Ervin said the cost of the rebuild and the life of the pump are both about half of what a new one is.

Ervin MOVED TO APPROVE REBUILDING PUMP AT SOUTH MASTER LIFT STATION AT A COST OF SIXTEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX DOLLARS AND SIXTY-FIVE CENTS (\$16,526.65). Rebman SECONDED, AND THE MOTION CARRIED WITH AN ALL “YEA” ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: 8 YEAS – Acker, Davis, Dodds, Ervin, Lambert, Rebman, Ryan & Trimble; 0 NAYS; 0 ABSENT.

9. DISCUSS & CONSIDER PURCHASING NEW PUMP AT PRISON LIFT STATION

Ervin reported the pump at the prison was pulled for new impellers and when the pump was pulled, they found it to be in worse shape. Ervin noted a new pump would cost Sixteen Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$16,800).

Ervin MOVED TO APPROVE PURCHASING A NEW PUMP AT PRISON LIFT STATION AT A COST OF SIXTEEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$16,800). Ryan SECONDED, AND THE MOTION CARRIED WITH AN ALL “YEA” ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: 8 YEAS – Acker, Davis, Dodds, Ervin, Lambert, Rebman, Ryan & Trimble; 0 NAYS; 0 ABSENT.

10. DISCUSS & CONSIDER SUSPENDING RULES RE: ORDINANC NO. 1355, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1208, ESTABLISHING FEES FOR COMMERCIAL USE OF CITY DUMP

Public Buildings Committee Member, Mike Ryan, reported it was recommended to only have one (1) level for the city dump permits and increase the fee to Four Hundred Dollars (\$400).

Ryan MOVED TO APPROVE SUSPENDING RULES RE: ORDINANCE NO. 1355, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1208, ESTABLISHING FEES FOR COMMERCIAL USE OF CITY DUMP. Acker SECONDED, AND THE MOTION CARRIED WITH AN ALL “YEA” ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: 8 YEAS – Acker, Davis, Dodds, Ervin, Lambert, Rebman, Ryan & Trimble; 0 NAYS; 0 ABSENT.

11. PASS & ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 1355, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1208, ESTABLISHING FEES FOR COMMERCIAL USE OF CITY DUMP

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12. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION TO APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES OF MEETING HELD DECEMBER 19, 2022; & POLICE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD JANUARY 11, 2023 – 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(21) & DISCUSS PERSONNEL - 5ILCS 120/2 (c)(1)

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13. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Open Session reconvened at 7:14 p.m. with the following present: Mayor Klitz; Council Members – Acker, Davis, Dodds, Ervin, Lambert, Rebman, Ryan, & Trimble; Judy Caputo; Superintendent of Operations, Campbell; Haney of *The Rushville Times*; and Matteson.

14. DISCUSS & CONSIDER HIRING 30-HOUR POLICE OFFICER

Ervin reported that Police Chief, Rick Wright would like to move Part-time Police Officer, Heath White to the available 30-hour officer spot, which would help out during the absence of Police Officer, Nathan Rauch.

Ervin MOVED TO APPROVE HIRING HEATH WHITE AS 30-HOUR POLICE OFFICER. Davis SECONDED, AND THE MOTION CARRIED WITH AN ALL “YEA” ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: 8 YEAS – Acker, Davis, Dodds, Ervin, Lambert, Rebman, Ryan & Trimble; 0 NAYS; 0 ABSENT.

15. COUNCIL MEMBER & OFFICIALS’ REPORTS

Council Member, Terry Dodds thanked the city crew for filling all of the potholes.

Parks & Recreation Committee Chairman, Barry Rebman reported that Tim Bright would like to be on the next meeting’s agenda to discuss Scripps Park Little League fields & equipment.

16. ADJOURN

Dodds MOVED TO ADJOURN. Ervin SECONDED, AND THE MOTION CARRIED WITH AN ALL “YEA” ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: 8 YEAS – Acker, Davis, Dodds, Ervin, Lambert, Rebman, Ryan, & Trimble; 0 NAYS; 0 ABSENT. THE MEETING STOOD ADJOURNED ACCORDINGLY AT 7:18 P.M.

Minutes submitted by,

Judy Caputo

Date Minutes Approved