

City of Wakefield
Council Meeting March 2, 2020– 7:00 p.m.

After testing the sirens Mayor Dumler called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence. Present were Betsy Liebau, David O'Dell, Chris Yenni, Randy Garcia, Brandy Riggs.

Consent Agenda

*Approval of minutes

*Approval of payments for unpaid expenses

*Approval of Agenda- Brandy would like Sub-committees added to New Business, Betsy Spring Cleanup to Old Business. Brandy motioned to approve ag, Randy 2nd, motion carried

Public Comments

Rick Terrian- asking council Special Olympics donations. Brandy motioned to donate \$150 for Dougie Shandy/Special Olympics, David 2nd, motion carried.

Allen Owens- HipHop Night/First Responder Appreciation Night. Asking council to purchase 3 picture frames for Mayor to present pictures. More details to be discussed at March 30 workshop.

Jeff Cannizzo- B-day Bash meeting Sat. 9am at Scanollis. Aug 28-30

Cannizzo family has purchased 2 large 5'x4'x6" rocks to replace Wakefield city "welcome" signs. KDOT is suggesting they be placed on private property. Utility easements would not be a problem. Need letter from the city stating it is okay to place signs just in city utility easements. Brandy shared that process needs to go to PZ board first and then they can present recommendation to council.

Organizational Reports

*Pride- voted new board members: President-Brandy Riggs, Vice Pres.-Crystal O'Dell, Secretary-Amanda Nichols, Treasurer-Rita Luthi.

Egg Hunt 4pm. David motioned to donate \$200, Betsy 2nd, motion carried.

-next meeting March 14 Commodities- April 11

-Business Churches Yard of the Month- Randy motioned winner as Madura Church, Yenni 2nd, motion carried with Brandy abstaining.

Community Garden- would like to consider 25' x 50' plot west of city building, north of museum. Would also like city to consider donating use of water. Mayor asked if they knew how much water would be used? Brandy shared that if there became a problem Pride would compensate city. Yenni motioned to approve 25' x 50' plot west of city building, north of museum with the use of city water for garden at this time, Randy 2nd, motion carried with Brandy abstaining.

*WRA-Basketball-

-Balance- \$4,421.85

-Spring Soccer- registrations end March 9; games March 28-May 9.

-Softball/Baseball registrations are out, no close date yet.

- Community Bicycle Ride- February 22. 30 riders participated. Planning on continuing monthly.
- Stay Strong/Stay Healthy- Designed for 60+ adults; 8 weeks. March 24 @ Senior Citizens Center
- Next meeting March 15 @ 6pm

Old Business

Library- Mayor appoints new board members Crystal O'Dell and Tracey Blaiser, council agreed unanimously. Building update- Mayor will be getting with Bronson on plumbing/sink; old heating- Mayor explained options for updating current furnace and uses for their old furnace in other city bldgs.

Comprehensive Plan- Brandy inquired from Mayor about some of the map information and asked if he was good with what was in Plan. Mayor Dumler stated that based on info he had, based on current map showing no residential plots are on area he was questioning, so he does not foresee an issue involving the 2020 Census map info submitted, nor the comprehensive plan.

Brandy also inquired that if council accepted to approve, if they go back and do a CDGB and do qualify would that impact Plan and would new CDGB qualifications supersede information being put in 2030 comp plan? Janna Williams with FHRC answered that any new survey results would supersede the Plan. Janna would like to update the map to ensure it is correct. Brandy asked Mayor to read to audience the PZ recommendations. Brandy motioned to accept PZ recommendations with addition of updated map on pg. 14, Randy 2nd, motion carried.

Veterans Memorial-Betsy shared committee made some decisions on moving forward with brick selection (i.e. Font, color, no clip art). Will be run as a Sub-committee. Jan Trumpp will donate web design. Have community cleanup day at site.

Spring Cleanup- March 26-29 (curbside 30th). Brandy motioned not to exceed \$4,000, Randy 2nd, motion carried.

New Business

*B&G Consultants- CCLIP- Transportation Alternative Program was of more interest to council when presented at workshop. That is the 80/20 expense; (\$1200 for Application for Phase I)-Safe Routes to School in Summer 2020 (Phase I-\$15,000 study @80/20 expense would cost city \$3000). Community input would be essential. Brandy motioned to move forward with Application for Phase I for \$1,200, David 2nd, motion carried.

Sam Johnson went through the timeline of where city started in 2016 and what city did at that time; presented defective/weak locations and is asking council to weigh options and think about moving forward. Funding Options: USDA Loan (2.25% - 40-year term; USDA Grant – 45%; USDA System User Rates- \$46/mo.; KDHE SRF Interest Rate- 1.63% - 20-year term; CDBG - \$600,000). Project Cost Options: Rehab 32k feet of VCP main and replace 32- service taps are \$3.35 million; Rehab 32k feet of VCP main and replace 75 service taps is \$2.55 million).

Current sewer rates and future rate options were discussed.

Multi-year Rehabilitation Program: Raising rates \$47/mo. Would generate \$118,500/year for capital improvements (Option 1: 30-year long program; Option 2: 20-year program).

Brandy inquired from steps how BG recommend council move forward. Sam replied that council invite BG back for workshop to discuss how/what/when to get community involved. We need to discuss rate increase amounts with/without CDBG. **Special workshop scheduled for March 23 @6:30pm**

*Leak at 806/808 Hickory- David motioned to approve Lewis remove tree not to exceed \$1000, Randy 2nd, motion carried. David amended first motion to approve whoever can get it done quicker, Brandy 2nd, motion carried.

*City Advertising- Landowner has agreed to let us put a billboard back on the land free of rent at intersection of Hwy 82 & Hwy 15. Brandy to look in to sign options and present at March 30 workshop.

David motioned to approve BB #21B at MM 300.4 - West Bound - Right Hand Read - Lower Board - Right Half (14' x 21') next to Econolodge 1 year contract from Bramlage Properties, LLC for initial start-up of \$850 with \$200/month, Randy 2nd, motion carried.

*City Superintendent job posting- Brandy motioned to move forward with job description, Randy 2nd, motion carried. Betsy motioned to post job 3/3 to close on 3/13; schedule special meeting to narrow applicants, follow with another special meeting 3/21 with schedule interviews, Brandy 2nd, motion carried.

*Pawnee MH contract options- Brandy motioned to approve Employee Assistance Fee not to exceed annual fee of \$400, Randy 2nd, motion carried.

*Website info. - Randy motioned to go with Jen Sharp KRWA for \$500 startup and \$100/year annual fee, David 2nd, motion carried.

*Sub-Committees- KOMA does not apply to Sub-committee meetings; City Attorney suggested that they do not make any decisions while sitting on sub-committees.

Employee Reports

*City Clerk- Randy motioned to allow clerk to remove all old checks from 2015-2018, Brandy 2nd, motion carried.

*Superintendent- No report

*Police- There is another issue with co-axe on repeater. Zach to hear from Homman on pricing later in the week. Tornado Sirens to go off tomorrow at 10am, Zach will go around and check. Randy motioned to approve replacement of coax cable not to exceed \$2,000, David 2nd, motion carried. David inquired about PMCS city utility truck

Executive Session to discuss legal matters with City Attorney

Brandy motioned for executive session to discuss legal matters with City Attorney until 10:13pm, Randy 2nd, motion carried.

Mayor Dumler brought the meeting back to order at 10:13pm.

Randy motioned for executive session to discuss legal matters with City Attorney for 10 minutes, Brandy 2nd, motion carried.

Mayor Dumler brought the meeting back to order at 10:23pm.

Randy motioned to decline proposal, Brandy 2nd, motion carried.

Executive Session to discuss non-elected personnel matters

Betsy motioned for executive session to discuss non-elected personnel matters until 10:50pm, Brandy 2nd, motion carried.

Mayor Dumler brought the meeting back to order at 10:50pm.

Brandy motioned for executive session to discuss non-elected personnel matters until 11:00pm, Betsy 2nd, motion carried.

Mayor Dumler brought the meeting back to order at 11:00pm.

Brandy motioned for executive session to discuss non-elected personnel matters until 11:07pm, Betsy 2nd, motion carried.

Mayor Dumler brought the meeting back to order at 11:07pm.

Brandy motioned to hire Mr.Cullip as our temporary certified water operator for \$500 a month with submission of monthly samples, Randy 2nd, motion carried.

Adjournment

Brandy motioned to adjourn, Betsy 2nd, motion carried.

City Clerk