HENDERSON CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2019

COMMUNITY CENTER

7.00 P.M.

MINUTES

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:02 pm

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - recited

**QUORUM CHECK:** PRESENT: Mayor Joel Tomford; Council Persons, Rachael Knight, Bambi Byers, and Janelle Williams.

ABSENT: Council Persons Cody Carrigan and Ashley Klindt.

PUBLIC PRESENT: John Tritch.

**PUBLIC FORUM:** (Public Comments) LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES PER PERSON OR GROUP - none

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by B. Byers, 2nd by J. Williams. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MAR 12 & MAR 14: Motion by J. Williams, 2nd by B. Byers. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FINANCE REPORTS: Motion by B. Byers, 2nd by R. Knight. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR APRIL: Motion by R. Knight, 2nd by B. Byers. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

**SUNDQUIST ENGINEERING:** Joe Rueschenberg was here and discussed with Council that the PER will be done next month and it will be sent to Dee Fischer with DNR Rural Development as part of the Grant process.

**CITY DEPARTMENTS: REPORTS**

**WATER/SEWER**: *CHAD GORDON*

\*WATER PROJECT – discussed earlier with Joe Rueschenberg.

\*GENERATOR FOR LIFT STATION – Mayor Tomford reported to Council that everything is ready to go ahead with the purchase and installation of the permanent generator at the sewer lift station. B. Byers asked the question of how old this generator is. Clerk will find out. Motion for approval by B. Byers, 2nd by J. Williams. Roll Call Vote: Bambi Byers – aye; Janelle Williams – aye; Rachael Knight – aye. Motion carried.

\* ELECTRICITY REPAIR AT WELL HOUSE – Done.

\* WELL AUTOMATION – discussed.

\* WATER RATE INCREASE – Council was given information about a rate study that Jodi Hilsabeck from Midwest Assistance Program had done for us. Council looked at several different options and will discuss again next month.

**STREETS:** *RACHAEL KNIGHT & CODY CARRIGAN*

\* GRANT APPLICATION FOR TRUCK ROUTE REPAIRS – Rachael asked Council to commit $25,000 city money to the project for the grant application. Motion to approve by B. Byers, 2nd by R. Knight. 3 ayes. Motion carried. Racheal also said she was waiting for a return phone call from Affordable Asphalt for a quote on pothole repair. Rachael will also be checking on if the city would qualify for any flood damage assistance.

\* SINK HOLE IN ROAD BY 100 S. WEST ST. (OLD CITY HALL) – Done.

\* CORNER AT JOHN TRITCH’S – discuss later

\* CORNER OF NORTH & PEARL – discuss later

\* CORNER OF NORTH & CEDAR – discuss later

\* DITCH AT MAPLE & CEDAR (ALONG BOB’S TRUCK BARN) – discuss later

**CITY PROPERTY & MAINTENANCE**: *JANELLE WILLIAMS & BAMBI BYERS*

\* WOMENS RESTROOM REMODEL – GRANT - Joe Rueschenberg from Sudquist Engineering reported that everything is complete for the Grant. We should hear by June or July if we will receive the grant or not.

\* PARKS COMMITTEE – GAZEBO PARK – Janelle Williams has received one bid of $400 to pour 2 cement pads under park benches. Waiting to hear from others.

\* CITY’S OLD SIREN – waiting to be done

\* RENTAL AGREEMENT – Motion to approve new Rental Agreement for Community Building effective immediately by J. Williams, 2nd by B. Byers. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

\* MAILBOX – waiting to be done

\* FIREPROOF SAFE – Council approved Clerk to purchase fire proof safe of $4700 plus any tax and freight charges. Motion by J. Williams, 2nd by R. Knight. Motion carried.

\* ROOF REPAIR – J. Williams got information and bid for roof repair. Roger Clausen quote $1400 and the City will purchase materials. Motion by B. Byers, 2nd by R. Knight. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

\* ITEMS NOT NEEDED IN GARAGE (BLUE GENERATOR, SICKEL MOWER) – Council discussed what to do with these items. Will try and sell at City Wide Garage Sale on April 27th. John Tritch volunteered to be at the Community Building the day of Sale to show them to anyone interested in buying. Anyone else interested in buying can talk to Janelle Williams or Clerk about them or to make an offer. The old portable diesel generator was discussed also. Council will be deciding what to do with it since it has not worked in several years and never worked with the new Sewer Lift Station that was installed in 2015.

\* SNOW REMOVAL AND MOWING – Council received a bid from Viner Construction to do the Cities mowing this season. Motion to approve bid by J. Williams, 2nd by R. Knight. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

**CITY CLEAN-UP DAY:** will be April 27 & 28.

**NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH COMMITTEE:** No representative came.

**NEW COMPUTER PROGRAM:** Council voted to approve the Clerk to purchase new computer program from Boyd’s Small City Solutions. Motion by B. Byers, 2nd by J. Williams. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

**CDBG HOUSING FUND PROGRAM** – NEED TO FORM A HOUSING COMMITTEE

Rachael Knight has spoken with SWIPCO to get information on this program. Council would like to continue with this project. The first step is to form a “HOUSING COMMITTEE”. Anyone can be on this committee. If you are interested, please let a Council member know.

**FEMA:** NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM – Council will take action on this at the May 14th meeting.

**COMPLAINTS:** None

**COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMENTS:** Council decided to have a workshop meeting to go through more Ordinances on April 16th at 6:30 pm.

Janelle Williams is going to check with CenPro Graphics about cost to make “BOIL ORDER” signs that can be put up around town in case we need them. It would be another way of getting the word out to residents.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by R. Knight, 2nd by B. Byers. 3 ayes. Motion carried. 9:20 pm.

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Joel Tomford, Mayor

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ATTEST: Candace Knop, City Clerk