OCTOBER 3, 2022

The Newell City Council met in regular session on Monday, October 3, 2022, at 7:00 pm. at City Hall with Mayor Brian Puhrmann presiding. Council Members present Chelsee Bohe, Stan Henrich, Steve Smith, and Ana Johnson. Absent Pam Wilken. Smith moved to approve the agenda, 2nd by Bohe and all ayes. Bohe moved to approve the consent agenda including minutes, bills, and receipts Johnson 2nd and all ayes.

Police Chief Lyman gave his report that included appx 70 calls, including 2 arrests and 2 accidents.

Tanya Landgraf gave library report. Friends Booksale coming in Nov. Positive memorial donations and projects, kids lego table lib favorite. One budget review went well. Children’s librarian position extended until next year with increase in kids coming in. Written resignation from Tim Baak, term ends 7/1/2024. Lib board recommends Mike Johnson to mayor for vacancy. May/July adjusted meeting minutes still not received by the City.

Ambulance had 6 calls. FD – no report.

Mayor Puhrmann working on next step for food pantry land for their addition. Nuisance letters going out this week to abandoned properties per attorney recommendation. Budget workshops Oct 12 and 26th 6:30pm. Congrats to Doug Lange for 25 years with City on Aug 25th – plaque shown.

Olsen gave W/WW use for Sept. Water leak repaired last week on 5th/Clark St. Olsen gave Treasurer’s Report, Smith moved to approve, 2nd Henrich all ayes. RAGBRAI committee met yest for follow up; leftover funds totaling $5,500 to be disbursed out locally. Audit went well, prelim report coming soon. IMFOA conference Oct 19-21 in DSM, Municipal Prof classes this week online, Budget workshops in November.

Open Forum at 7:30, no comments, closed.

Class C Liquor License for Screwie Louie’s Bar/Grill moved for approval by Henrich, 2nd Johnson, all ayes. Bohe moved to approve the 3 -year lease for BV County Engineer Gravel Stockpile 2nd Henrich all ayes. Mayor Puhrmann declared Trick or Treat on Monday, October 31st from 5-9pm.

Resolution #15-22 transfer of funds from pool to golf course for supplies $62.91 moved for approval by Smith, 2nd Henrich RCV Bohe, Smith, Henrich, Johnson ayes, 0 nays Wilken absent. Ordinance#286 Amendment to water meter rent and water rates moved for approval of the first reading by Bohe, 2nd Johnson RCV Johnson, Henrich, Smith, Bohe ayes, 0 nays Wilken absent. Ordinance#287 Amendment to sewer rental monthly fees moved for approval of the first reading by Henrich, 2nd Bohe RCV Johnson, Henrich, Smith, Bohe ayes, 0 nays Wilken absent. Ordinance#288 Amendment to garbage collection rate moved for approval of the first reading by Smith, 2nd Henrich RCV Johnson, Henrich, Smith, Bohe ayes, 0 nays Wilken absent.

Smith moved to adjourn at 7:49 pm, 2nd Henrich all ayes.

Sierra Olsen, City Clerk Brian Puhrmann, Mayor