

March 11, 2019

The Greene City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 11, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the Greene Community Center with Mayor Pro Tem Al Zweck presiding. Council members present were Marilyn Folkers, Marnie Schmidt, Ben Backer and Denise Shreve. Also present were Tom Heidenwirth, Bill and Bev Christensen, Deb White, Karen McAlpin, Kellie Bouillon, Rustin Lingbeek, Jamie Backer, Ed Corwin, Kelly Zurcher, Donna Spratt, Tom Spratt, Cassie and Blake Stroberg, Cory Wiegmann and Ross Hawker

Motion by Folkers/Schmidt to approve the agenda. Roll call, all ayes. MC

Motion by Schmidt/Folkers to approve the February 11th minutes. Roll call, all ayes. MC

Rustin Lingbeek from Short Elliot Hendrickson gave a brief update on the progress at the lagoon site. Motion by Zweck/Backer to approve change order #3 for the project. The change was to reroute a force main with an additional expense of \$1,538.02. Roll call, all aye. MC

Kellie Bouillon read a statement to the Council expressing her concern regarding her driveway being blocked for several hours without being notified. Mayor Pro Tem Zweck apologized for her inconvenience and said he would speak with the offending party in hopes that this would not happen again.

Jamie Backer spoke on behalf of the Jaycee's regarding having a carnival being a part of the River Days celebration. Smith Amusements contacted the Jaycees and discussed requirements for them to set up. The 300 block of North Frist Street will be closed starting on Wednesday instead of Friday. Alliant Energy will be contacted to install a 200 amp service also. Motion by Backer/Folkers to approve the changes. Roll call, all ayes. MC

Tom Heidenwirth spoke with the Council regarding donation money for a memorial at Freedom Park. After discussing the situation, it was agreed to do some more research and will discuss at a future date.

Donna Spratt spoke with Council regarding snow removal charges for having her sidewalk cleaned. After much discussion the City agreed to compromise with property owner and reduce cost of removal to \$50.00. Roll call, all ayes. MC

Cory Wiegmann updated Council to future repairs that will be needed for the maintainer as there is a seal leaking. Cost will be approx. \$2,000.

Motion by Folkers/Zweck to approve a bid from Municipal Pipe Tool in the amount of \$41,970 for lining and cleaning sewer lines along West South Street. This is part of the 2019-2020 budget but they may be able to start work sooner and defer payment. Roll call, all ayes. MC

Mayor stated that this was the time and place for a public hearing on the “2016 Wastewater Plant Improvements Project Update Hearing Announcements”. Mayor ProTem Zweck read the following statements:

A. Funding of Proposed Activities and Sources of Funds. This project is funded in part by a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and DNR/SRF Funds. The City was awarded a 2016 CDBG for \$500,000. To date, \$175,394 of the CDBG allocation has been expended. There is a local obligation of \$3,018,900 committed towards project costs. To date, \$1,004,880 has been expended.

B. Explain how the need for the activities was identified. The need for the proposed project is the result of a new NPDES permit being issued by the DNR for the City’s wastewater treatment facility. The permit has revised effluent limitations that the City’s existing treatment system is unable to comply with. As a result, wastewater treatment facility improvements must be constructed.

C. Nature of and Status of the Proposed Activities. The nature of the proposed project includes construction of wastewater treatment facility improvements that include utilization of a new SAGR system for the aerated lagoon and a UV disinfection system in order to comply with a Compliance Schedule issued by the DNR.

The Joseph Company is the contractor for the work on the project. Work on the project is approximately 37% complete.

There has been a no change to the project beneficiaries as proposed in the application submitted to State for funding.

D. Announce the estimated portion of funds that will benefit low-and-moderate income persons. The project will result in a City-wide benefit and based on a 2015 survey, 61% of the residents living in the community are of low-and-moderate income.

E. Announce where the proposed activities will be conducted. The proposed project activities will take place at the site of the existing wastewater treatment facility.

F. Announce plans to minimize displacement of persons and businesses resulting of funded activities. The proposed project will not result in the displacement or relocation of any persons or businesses.

G. Announce plans to assist persons actually displaced. Since this project will not result in the displacement or relocation of any persons or businesses, there are no plans being made to assist displaced persons.

There were not oral or written comments and the hearing was closed.

Mayor ProTem Zweck announced that this was the place and time for a public hearing on the 2019-2020 budget. City Clerk went over the budget briefly. This year’s tax levies are up approximately \$.025 over last year’s budget. There were no written or oral comments. The hearing was closed.

Backer introduced Resolution 2019-01, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020 and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Shreve. Roll was called and the vote was AYES: Backer, Shreve, Folkers, Schmidt and Zweck. NAYS: None. MC

WHEREUPON the Mayor declared Resolution 2019-01 duly adopted. (Mayor's signature affixed and made a permanent part of these minutes.)

Motion by Folkers/Zweck to approve a Class B Native Wine Permit for Darbe & Co. Roll call, all ayes. MC

Council Briefly discussed the dangerous animal ordinance. Procedures were reviewed and it was agreed that if a resident has concerns they would need to stop at City Hall and sign a complaint form.

Motion by Zweck/Folkers to appoint William Christensen as Mayor to fill the unexpired term of James O'Brien. Mr. Christensen was given the Oath of Office. Roll call, all ayes. MC

Motion by Folkers/Schmidt to approve the claims. Roll call, all ayes. MC

Motion by Zweck/Schmidt to adjourn at 6:41.

Signed: _____
Al Zweck, Mayor Pro Tem

Attest: _____
Jayne Knapp, City Clerk