

CITY OF RUSHFORD VILLAGE MINUTES OF MARCH 1, 2022
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
43038 State Hwy 30, Rushford Village, Minnesota 55971-5167

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The March 1, 2022 Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Dennis Overland at 7:00 p.m. in the Rushford Village Office. Council Members present: Mike Ebner, Roger Knutson, Robert Hart and Rick Ruberg; Planning/Zoning Administrator Jon Pettit, City Attorney Joseph O’Koren, Treasurer Judy Graham, Clerk Mary Miner.

Absent: Public Works/Maintenance Supervisor Trenten Chiglo-Water School

AGENDA was approved as presented

Motion by Ebner, 2nd by Hart, Carried.

MINUTES from the February 15, 2022 Regular Council Meeting were approved as presented

Motion by Ruberg, 2nd by Hart, Carried.

CITIZENS/OTHERS PRESENT: Kirsten Zoellner-FC Journal, Butch Johnson-Butch Johnson Insurance, George Graham

• **Butch Johnson-LMC Property & Casualty Insurance Update:**

- HCA Appraisal has been hired by LMC to do appraisals for all the Cities. HCA uses CoreLogis’s MVS MSB tools to estimate the property
- Johnson and Miner spoke with LMC by phone February 23, 2022 regarding the HCA appraisal
- Johnson and Miner will send an email to LMC with questions regarding the open shelter (Highway 30), lift station (contents and building), rock shed, old shed (Highway 30), etc.
- Everything is at 100% replacement cost
- There will be a 30% cap on premium increase for this year if the HCA appraisal figures are used but LMC does not know what the premium rates will be this year.
- Options: Renew using CRV property values for this year, renew and endorse with LMC property appraisal values with a 30% premium cap, hire an outside appraiser
- Johnson will report back when LMC answers his questions

• **John Pederson-Neighbor complaint:** Pederson did not attend the meeting

- Pettit reported he has received numerous phone calls from Pederson regarding a fence that is owned by Feller that blew down and tore the material on a hoop building owned by Pederson. Pederson would like Feller to pay for the damage done to his building
- Pederson has complaints about where the fence is located, if Feller obtained permits for the fence and improvements to the garage. Pettit suggested Pederson hire a lawyer for the fence issue and any improvements to the garage should be noted when the property is assessed by Fillmore County.
- This has been discussed by Planning and Zoning, they determined this is a problem between neighbors and there is nothing CRV will do
- CRV Council agree with the Planning and Zoning Board, this is between neighbors and there is nothing CRV will do

FINANCIALS- February Expenses \$51,438.85, February Receipts \$8,688.77, Outstanding Checks as of 2/28/2022

\$34,094.39, Bank Balance as of 2/28/2022 \$300,654.26/Estimated March Receipts \$11,000.00/ Estimated

March Expenses \$33,000.00

CD’s renewing at current advertised rates

Motion made to approve the Financials as presented

Motion by Knutson, 2nd by Ebner. Carried.

PLANNING/ZONING: Pettit: New Permits/Inquiries/Updates:

New Permits: None Written

Permit Status / Projects in Process / Inquiries:

- Pettit reported Jessie McNamer contacted him inquiring about building a new home on property he owns on County Line Rd. Pettit will be taking this to the Planning and Zoning Board March 15th

ROADS/WATER/SEWER:

• **Roads/Utilities Update-Chiglo:**

- Chiglo is attending water school in St. Cloud
- Ebner reported the new Freightliner is in Centerville WI.

OTHER:

• **American Facility Services-Mark Thompson-Hall Cleaning Proposal:**

- Proposal is for services provided as on call at a rate of \$21.25 per man hour. AFS will provide all cleaning and chemicals and equipment. Miner will email cleaning hours to Mark at the end of the month.

Motion to approve the American Facility Services proposal as presented

Motion by Hart, 2nd by Ruberg, Carried.

•Ordinance #9- Establishing Compensation for Elected Officials-Public Hearing Date:

- Current CRV Ordinance #9 requires a public hearing when the Mayor or Council pay is adjusted
- Options:
 - Continue with the language in Ordinance #9, Section I of the current ordinance which requires a public hearing to amend the Mayor/Council pay
 - Amend Ordinance #9, Section I to read “**THE COMPENSATION OF THE MAYOR AND THE COMPENSATION OF EACH COUNCIL MEMBER** shall be established from time to time by City Council ordinance pursuant to M.S. ' 415.11, as it may be amended from time to time.” This would not require a public hearing to amend Mayor/Council pay
- Both options require by law an adjustment to the Mayor or Council pay must be made prior to the next general election
- Public hearing date to amend the current Mayor and Council pay will be Tuesday, April 5, 2022 at 6:45 pm at the CRV Office

Motion made to set a public hearing date for Tuesday, April 5, 2022 at 6:45 pm at the CRV Office for the purpose of amending Ordinance #9, Section I to read “**THE COMPENSATION OF THE MAYOR AND THE COMPENSATION OF EACH COUNCIL MEMBER** shall be established from time to time by City Council ordinance pursuant to M.S. ' 415.11, as it may be amended from time to time.”

Motion by Ebner, 2nd by Ruberg, Carried.

•Resolution 2022-3-1 Reestablishing Precinct & Polling Place:

- New redistricting maps have been drawn up. New mapping did not effect CRV.
- All Cities and Townships are required to pass a resolution designating their polling place and send it to Fillmore County
- CRV polling place will remain at the CRV Community Center, 43038 State Highway 30, Rushford Village, MN 55971

Motion made to approve Resolution 2022-3-1 Reestablishing Precinct & Polling Place

Motion by Hart, 2nd by Knutson, Carried.

OTHER UPDATES / MEETINGS:

- March 1-3, 2022-Chiglo at MRWA Conference taking Class D Water Supply Operator Exam-St Cloud MN
- March 22, 2022-UW LaCrosse Trail Study Infomational Meeting-5:30 @ CRV Community Center-43038 State Highway 30
- March 29, 2022-SEMLM Meeting-Social Time 5:30/Dinner 6:30/Meeting 7:00-Elks Club-Goodview MN
- April 18-22, 2022-CRV Local Board of Appeal & Equalization Open Book at Fillmore County Assessor’s Office

Next Meetings-Council: March 15 & April 5, 2022, 7:00 pm at CRV Hall Office

Zoning: March 15, 2022, 5:30 pm at CRV Hall Office

Trail Project Meeting: March 22, 2022, 5:30 pm at CRV Community Center

Public Hearing: April 5, 2022 @ 6:45 pm-Amend Ordinance #9, Section I

Motion made to Adjourn Regular Council Meeting at 7:31 pm by Knutson, 2nd by Ruberg. Carried