

# City Of Rushford Village Minutes Of July 6, 2021 Regular Council Meeting

43038 State Hwy 30, Rushford Village, Minnesota 55971-5167

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The July 6, 2021 Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Vice Mayor Mike Ebner at 7:00 p.m. in the Rushford Village Community Center (COVID-19 Concerns) Council Members present: Roger Knutson, Robert Hart and Rick Ruberg; Public Works/Maintenance Supervisor Trenten Chiglo, Planning/Zoning Administrator Jon Pettit, Treasurer Judy Graham and Clerk Mary Miner.

Absent: Mayor Dennis Overland, Attorney Joseph O'Koren, Lecy

**AGENDA** was approved as presented

**Motion** by Hart, 2nd by Ruberg. Carried.

**MINUTES** from the June 15, 2021 James Norstad Solar Array Public Hearing, Regular Council & Closed Meeting

Minutes were approved as presented

**Motion** by Knutson, 2nd by Hart. Carried.

**CITIZENS/OTHERS PRESENT:** Bill Sherry-Engelson & Assoc., Derek Olinger-Bolton & Menk, Wanda Hanson-Fillmore County Journal, George Graham

**FINANCIALS:** June Expenses \$39,419.20, June Receipts \$800,377.17 (2021A Bond Refinance), Outstanding Checks as of 6/30/2021 \$21,852.23, Bank Balance as of 6/30/2021 \$864,326.63/Estimated July Receipts \$296,562.00 (Includes Property Tax)/Estimated July Expenses \$927,128.00 (Pay off 2015A & 2016A Bonds & Griffen Const.)

CD's renewing at current advertised rates

**Motion** made to approve the Financials as presented

**Motion** by Knutson 2nd by Ruberg. Carried.

- **Bill Sherry-Review 2020 CRV Audit Report:**

- Sherry presented Council with the 2020 CRV standard audit report with a clean opinion
- Cash & Investments at the end of 2020 were \$964,000.00, approximately \$723,000.00 of that was invested in CD's
- Major liability, outstanding notes and bonds at end of 2020 was approximately 1.1 million, new new debt for 2020
- Net position/equity of CRV assists is approximately 2.3 million
- General fund figures do not change much from year to year, major change this year is governmental outlay was approximately \$63,000.00 higher than last year because of COVID-19 funds CRV received and turned over to Fillmore County
- Sewer Fund shows a minus balance of approximately \$2,000.00-Sherry suggested looking at the rates being charged, the user fees should pay for the services being provided-At this point the General Fund has lent approximately \$15,000.00 to the Sewer fund so that amount should be recovered that money in addition to breaking even, depreciation is part of this too. There was a \$43,000.00 expense for a new pump at the lift station
- Liability for the State Retirement Plan is approximately \$65,000.00 to get out of the plan
- Knutson questioned if CD's are the best way to save or if the money should be put into something else. Sherry believes CRV is getting a good rate of return on the CD's and does not see any reason to invest the money elsewhere

**Motion** made to accept the 2020 Audit Report as presented by Bill Sherry

**Motion** by Hart 2nd by Ruberg. Carried.

- **Budget Review through June 30, 2021:**

- Council was provided receipts and expenses through June 30, 2021 along with the 2020 budget. They will review this information to help set the 2021 CRV Budget-Sewer Fund rates will be discussed

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

**New Permits:** #1459-Bonnie Norstad 37.5 kW Ground Mount Solar Array-State Hwy 16  
#1460-Moonyeen Holle-Replace Concrete Slab-Sherwood St  
#1461-Brad & Dani Gorder-Replacing front door & garage service door-Plummer St  
#1462-Robert Forsythe-Tin Siding on West side of barn-Ridgeview Rd

**Permit Status/Projects in Process/Inquiries:**

- Pettit reported he received a permit application from Jeremy & Nichole Williams to replace a fence
  - Pettit received calls from Moonyeen Holle about replacing steps alongside her house
  - Pettit reported Darrel and Ellen Highum are ready to move forward with their new house, they are waiting to get a sewer permit number from Fillmore County before they return their permit application
- July 14, 2021 at 6:00 pm there will be a special Planning and Zoning meeting to review the Vern Bunke, Foothills Development, engineered plans. The meeting will be held at the CRV Community Center

**ROADS/WATER/SEWER:**

• **South Rushford Stormwater Outfall Grading (Meadow) Change Order #2:**

- Olinger-Bolton & Menk, spoke with the person who owns the land north of the Meadow-State Highway 16 South Rushford Stormwater Outfall Grading Project. Landowner is concerned about the water that could potentially be shed onto his property.
- A small depression at the north end of the northeast outfall ditch will be made that will be partially filled with class 3 riprap before it enters into the landowners property
- Griffen Construction plans to come back in 2 to 3 weeks to do the watermain relocate at Highway 43 and Sherwood St. and will do change order #2 at that time

**Motion** made to accept South Rushford Stormwater Outfall Grading Change Order #2 in the amount of \$1,125.00

**Motion** by Knutson, 2nd by Hart. Carried.

**•Magelssen Bluff Chip Sealing:**

- Knutson reported Pearson Brothers will be doing the chip sealing on Magelssen Bluff July 13<sup>th</sup>. Knutson will contact the homeowner to let him know the road will be close during this time.

**•CRV Road Maintenance Schedule:**

- Olinger and Chiglo left the meeting to drive and look at the condition of the various CRV roads to determine what maintenance needs to be done
- Chiglo reported dust control has been put down on Deep River Rd by Loerch and Thompson. Deep River was slated to get gravel. Chiglo will decide if rock will be put down this year or next year on Deep River Road
- Chiglo has mowed all roads with 2 passes
- Hart commented Chiglo did a really nice job on the Hillview culvert

**OTHER:**

**•Resolution 2021-07-06-Resolution Approving Submission of City's Vote on Confirmation of Plan Filed by Debtors in Purdue Pharmacy Opioid Litigation:**

**Motion** made to give Clerk Miner authority to vote yes

**Motion** by Hart, 2nd by Knutson Carried.

**•Freightliner Update-Ebner:**

- Ebner reported he spoke with the Freightliner and everything appears to be on track for the Freightliner to be delivered September/October to Rochester and from there it will go to Centerville WI

**Motion** to close the regular Council meeting to discuss Labor and Negotiations as it pertains to the pay and benefits of the new maintenance personnel as their probationary period ends July 25, 2021 pursuant to Minn. Stat. 13D.03 at 7:33pm

**Motion** by Knutson 2nd by Ruberg. Carried.

**Motion** to close the closed meeting and reopen the regular Council meeting at 7:49 pm

**Motion** by Hart, 2nd by Ruberg. Carried.

**OTHER UPDATES/ MEETING:**

**Next Meetings-** **Council:** July 20 & August 3, 2021, 7:00 pm at CRV Community Center

**Zoning Special Meeting:** July 14, 2021, 6:00 pm at CRV Community Center

**Zoning:** July 20, 2021, 5:30 pm at CRV Community Center

**Motion made to Adjourn** Regular Council Meeting at 7:55 pm by Knutson, 2nd by Hart. Carried