

CITY OF RUSHFORD VILLAGE MINUTES OCTOBER 19, 2021
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING 7:00 PM
43038 State Hwy 30, Rushford Village, Minnesota 55971-5167

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The October 19, 2021 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; Public Works/Maintenance Supervisor Trenten Chiglo, Planning/Zoning Administrator Jon Pettit, City Attorney Joseph O'Koren Treasurer Judy Graham, Clerk Mary Miner.

AGENDA was approved as presented

Motion by Hart, 2nd by Ebner, Carried.

MINUTES from October 5, 2021 Regular Council and October 18, 2021 Fire Dept. Mill Rate Continued Meetings were approved as presented

Motion by Ebner 2nd by Knutson, Carried.

CITIZENS/OTHERS PRESENT: Wanda Hanson–Fillmore County Journal, George Graham

FINANCIALS- Expenses through October 15, 2021 \$20,271.86/Receipts through October 15, 2021 \$3,937.02/
Estimated October Receipts \$15,400.00/Estimated October Expenses \$80,624.00 (Griffen Const.
\$55,286.50)

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:

- #1481-Rick Ruberg-40'x80' Hay Shed-Ridgeview Rd
- #1482-Brian Krambeer-Demolish Old House-State Highway 30
- #1483-Jon Peterson-Ag Fence-State Highway 16
- #1484-Rod & Deb Morcomb-Replace Deck & Deck Railing-Hillview Dr

Permit Status / Projects in Process / Inquiries

- Pettit reported permits are in the works are for Rick Ruberg to put concrete in a shed and Sam Stensgard to replace windows and shingles
- Knutson questioned what happens when a house is demolished. Pettit stated a demolition permit is required which is sent to Fillmore County so it can take it off the tax rolls
- Pettit reported Fillmore County is considering changing their definition of a campground. The new definition will read: ***Campground:*** *Any area, whether privately or publicly owned, used on a daily, nightly, or longer basis for the accommodation of two (2) or more tents, or recreational camping vehicles for compensation. Privately owned camping areas of up to four (4) sites without compensation do not fall under the campground definition. Five (5) or more sites, whether free of charge or for compensation, are considered a campground.*
A public hearing is set for Thursday, October 21, 2021 @ 7:00 pm in Preston. If adopted by Fillmore County the CRV Campground definition would also need to be revised.

ROADS/WATER/SEWER:

•Roads/Utilities Update-Chiglo:

- **Roads/Utilities Update-Chiglo** reported:
 - Digital speed sign moved from Plummer St to Main St
 - Hydrant flushing has been completed
 - Road signs have been ordered
 - The watermain at Sherwood and State Highway 43 S will be relocated by Griffen Construction on Thursday October 21, 2021.

•McCarthy Well Company Pump Inspection Reports:

- Chiglo reported he meet with McCarthy Well Company for an inspection and everything was good
- Council reviewed the inspection reports. Well/Pump #2, item #6-The resistance between line and ground received a fair rating, Chiglo will contact Norman's Electric to have this checked. Well/Pump #1, item #17-Knutson questioned why the check pumping rate of gallon per minute said good when there should be a number. McCarthy will be contacted to have the check pumping rate gallon per minute number put on the report.

Motion made to accept the 2021 McCarthy Pump Inspection Reports

Motion by Hart 2nd by Knutson, Carried.

•Sherwood St Watermain Update:

- Griffen Construction will be lowering the watermain at Sherwood St and south side of State Highway 43 S Thursday, October 21, 2021. They will also be completing the project at Meadow Ave and State Highway 16 by placing rip rap at the end of the waterway
- Bolton & Menk will contact property owners effected by the watermain project

OTHER:

•South Rushford Park Development:

- Ebner suggested the Council consider selling a portion of the South Rushford Park area as a developable lot to better utilize the land. It was suggested the money could be used to upgrade the playground equipment for the park
- The area above the park, not owned by CRV, has potential for development making the area below, which is the CRV park, a potential water run off area or a road may be needed for a potential development
- No action was taken

•State Job Match Description and Grade/Compensation Study:

- Miner contacted multiple Cities. From the information received various companies were contacted for proposals
- Two proposals were received, David Drone Assoc. and Paul Ness-HR for You!
- David Drone proposals ranged from \$2,500 to \$8,100
Full Class and Comp Study with Job Descriptions: \$8,100
Market Analysis with calibration and new pay plan: \$4,500
Market Analysis: \$2,500
Ongoing Maintenance: \$2,700
- Paul Ness-HR for You! Proposals ranged from \$1,696.12 to \$2,488.68
\$1,110 base cost plus \$253.12 (mileage), \$222.00-\$333.00 (required Council presentation)
Additional options: \$237.56 on-site meeting to review preliminary results
\$555.00 to review other forms of direct pay

Motion to move forward with the Paul Ness-HR for You! proposal and to include the both additional options if needed

Motion by Knutson, 2nd by Ebner. Carried.

•Northern Natural Gas Company-Tax Court Refunds:

- Northern Natural Gas took MN DOR to court and won
- Fillmore County is required to make a payback to Northern Natural Gas for taxes they paid Fillmore County in 2018 and 2019
- The CRV estimated portion of the refund for 2018 of \$458.92 and 2019 of \$502.50 will come out of the upcoming CRV tax settlement in October/November

•Rebecca Charles-CEDA Update:

- Charles was unable to attend the meeting. Miner reported Charles continues to work on the Comp Plan survey and CRV Comprehensive Plan

OTHER UPDATES/ MEETING:

- October 25-MiEnergy Solar Array Ribbon Cutting Ceremony-2:00 pm at Solar Array Site
- November 2-Council Meeting Canceled
- November 2-Rushford-Peterson Special Election-5:00 pm-8:00 pm at CRV Community Center
- December 7-TNT Hearing-7:30 pm-CRV Office

Next Meetings-Council: November 16 & December 7, 2021, 7:00 pm at CRV Office

Zoning: November 16, 2021, 5:30 pm at CRV Office

Motion made to Adjourn Regular Council Meeting at 7:33 pm by Hart, 2nd by Ebner. Carried