

CITY OF RUSHFORD VILLAGE MINUTES OF November 21, 2023
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
43038 State Hwy 30, Rushford Village, Minnesota 55971-5167

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The November 21, 2023 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, Travis Link and Robert Hart: Public Works/Maintenance Supervisor Trenten Chiglo, Planning/Zoning Administrator Jon Pettit, City Attorney Joseph O’Koren, Treasurer Judy Graham, Clerk Mary Miner
Absent: Rick Ruberg

AGENDA was approved as presented

Motion by Link, 2nd by Hart, Carried.

MINUTES from the November 7, 2023 Regular Council & November 8, 2023 Community Public Input Meetings were approved as presented

Motion by Ebner, 2nd by Hart, Carried.

CITIZENS/OTHERS PRESENT: Wanda Hanson-Fillmore County Journal

FINANCIALS: As of November 15, 2023 Receipts \$2,480.92, Expenses \$26,686.51
Estimated November Receipts \$9,400.00/Estimated November Expenses \$46,000.00
CD’s renewing at current advertised rates

Motion made to approve the Financials as presented

Motion by Link, 2nd by Ebner. Carried.

- **2024 Budget:** 2024 Budget Report was provided for review

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

New Permits:

- #1621-Richard Bovy-30’x60’ Shed-State Highway 43
- #1622-Sarah & Gary Brown-48’x80’ Pole Shed-County Rd 25 S
- #1623-Glen Kopperud-Reroof Sunroom-State Highway 43
- #1624-Ordell Thompson-Move 30’x16’ Building-Deep River Rd
- #1625-Clifford & Patricia Heiden-Replace Roof Vent & Repair Dining Room Ceiling-Hillview Dr
- #1626-Curt Courrier-Replace Roof on Machine Shed-Sherwood St
- #1627-Curt Courrier-Replace Roof on Wood Crib-Sherwood St
- #1628-Curt Courrier-Replace Roof on Grainery-Sherwood St

Permit Status / Projects in Process / Inquiries: Nothing to report

ROADS/WATER/SEWER:

- **Roads/Utilities Update-Chiglo:**
- **Fluoride Testing Device:**
 - The fluoride/chlorine testing device is not testing consistently with what the lab is testing . It was sent to HACH be recalibrated 6 months ago and was working fine until recently.
 - CRV testing device results show to be within the correct perimeters and the state testing shows it to be almost double what it should be. Everything is safe but the CRV testing device needs to be checked again and recalibrated or a new device bought if the current one cannot be fixed. Chiglo tests once a week.
 - MN Department of Health contacted Chiglo regarding the difference between their test results and what the CRV test results were showing.
 - Chiglo stated a new testing device could cost between \$2,000.00-\$4,000.00
 - Chiglo will call HACH to determine if the testing device can be fixed or if a new testing device will be needed

Motion made for Chiglo to call HACH to determine if the testing device can be recalibrated/fixed, if not, approval to purchase a new testing device

Motion by Link, 2nd by Hart, Carried.

- **Lift Station Inspection Report:**

- Inspection report from Minnesota Pump Works 2023 lift station inspection was reviewed
- It was noted the brackets on both pumps will need to be replaced, MN Pump Works will provide a quote
- Chiglo will take a closer look at the brackets to see if CRV maintenance will be able to replace the brackets

- **Equipment List:**

- A list of items that CRV could sell was reviewed. List included JD disc, basketball hoop, weed eater, 3 point finishing mower, trash carts, old tire chains, 2-8' cattle gates, 8' wing from old Freightliner, 2 grader tires from old grader, 2 loader tires from old loader, waste sample machine, old lift station panel, old gas heater, 10 sheets of 2" styrofoam
- The list did not include the Freightliner V-Plow or snowblower. Chiglo stated he feels these pieces of equipment should not be sold because if they are needed it would be for an emergency situation. Using the truck with the V-plow is much faster than using the grader and it could be a situation where both pieces of equipment would be needed at the same time. The snowblower is a piece of equipment that may not be used often but when it is needed it is because it is an emergency situation and is needed right away.
- Chiglo does not feel the 3 point finishing mower needs to be kept. You cannot get close to things with it and it is more efficient to use the JD lawn mower than to have to take the time to hook the finishing mower to the tractor
- To be removed from the list are 10 sheets of 2" foam left over from the concrete floor part of the maintenance shed project. Chiglo will contact Beaver Builders to see if they will pick up and issue a credit for this

Motion made to take the items listed, except for the 10 sheets of 2" foam, to Darr Auction to be sold

Motion by Ebner, 2nd by Link, Carried.

- Ebner stated all the equipment needs to be moved inside so it does not get rusted up

OTHER:

- **New CRV Website-rushfordvillagemn.gov:**

- The new website is up, anyone going to the old website will see the link to the new website
- Miner will contact Vision Design regarding the "join our email list" button to see if they can add information that lets the resident know by joining the email list the resident will get an email whenever website information is updated
- There is also a "contact us" button that allows the resident to email CRV directly
- Miner stated she feels the new website is very user friendly and Vision Design did a great job

- **2024 CEDA Contract:**

- 2024 one year contract is \$15,202.00-2023 contract was \$14,479.00
- Link would like to see the Comp Plan finished which should be done March 2024, he does recognize the cost is \$15,202.00
- Ebner stated Charles did a good job with the Community Input Meeting and would like to see the contract renewed to allow her to follow through on this

Motion made to approve the 2024 CEDA contract in the amount of \$15,202.00

Motion by Ebner, 2nd by Link, Carried.

- Overland stated it is very important the Council gives Charles direction and have her looking for grants
- Link feels it is important to have someone available to direct businesses and to help them the best CRV can

- **Community Input Meeting:**

- Charles was not able to attend the meeting but asked Miner to thank the Council for attending the Input meeting. She felt it was a huge success and she got a lot of great information that will be used to update the Comp Plan. Over 80 surveys were returned. She is working on getting all the data entered

OTHER UPDATES / MEETINGS:

- November 24, 2023, Friday-Chiglo will be on vacation
- December 5, 2023, Tuesday-Truth in Taxation (TNT) Meeting @ 6:45 pm at CRV Office
- January 16, 2024, Tuesday-CRV Annual Meeting @ 7:00 pm at CRV Office-**No January 2nd Meeting**
- March 5, 2024, Tuesday-Presidential Nomination Primary-No CRV Council meeting

Next Meetings: Council: December 5, 2023 TNT @ 6:45, Regular Meeting @ 7:00 pm & December 19, 2023 @ 7:00 pm at CRV Office

Zoning: December 19, 2023 @ 5:30 pm at CRV Hall Office

Motion made to Adjourn Regular Council Meeting at 7:21 pm by Link, 2nd by Hart. Carried