

The Warba city council meeting was called to order by Mayor Don Hawk at 6:35 pm. The pledge of allegiance was said. Council members Kelly McCauley, Denise Leppanen and Jim Heinrichs were present as well as Clerk, Niki Mistelske, and Treasurer, Tami Elich. Minutes were reviewed. Denise made a motion, seconded by Kelly to accept the minutes. Approved 5-0. Work Session minutes were reviewed. Kelly made a motion, seconded by Denise to approve the work session minutes. Approved 5-0. The Treasurer's report was reviewed. Niki made a motion, seconded by Jim to accept. Approved 5-0. Claims were presented. A motion was made by Don, seconded by Denise to accept. Approved 5-0.

OPEN DISCUSSION:**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Maintenance: David requested authorization to have the annual pump out done at the lift station. After discussion of various pumping providers and costs, Niki made a motion, seconded by Kelly authorizing David to contact Bunes Septic to perform the annual clean out of the lift station. Approved 5-0. Kent, from DPC, brought an inverter to replace one with a damaged relay, but the inverter he brought didn't have the relay with it so he'll return at another time with a different one. David also reported the water tower seems to be drying up but will continue to monitor, the fluoride tank was scrubbed out and he had to make an adapted fitting for the fluoride pump. A piece of rebar that was embedded on Lake Street was dug out. No contact was made with Rural Water regarding hydrants – that will wait until spring, and no progress was made on the warning siren – Denise needs the contact numbers. Niki noted the claims for lightening damage done to the water tower have been paid. After completion of his report, David requested permission to leave – permission was granted.

Community Center: Denise reported floor waxing has been completed – all Council noted the job was well done. Jim reported the electrical issues with a few of the community center outlets aren't due to breakers – the breakers are 20 amp. The Council was in agreement an electrician will be needed, reviewed previous electrical needs and costs and authorized David to contact Hopkins Electric to correct the problem. Don stated he'll pick up a thermostat for the community center to reduce heating costs during times the center isn't in use.

Recreation: Jim had nothing to report.

Fire: Kelly reported the fire department bid for a concrete apron on the new storage building plus a stoop, break up and removal of the old concrete came in at \$2,800. Kelly also noted a fire prevention event will be coming up.

Cemetery: Tami reported the Cemetery Commission will be meeting in October.

Correspondence: The City received a Thank You card from the Warba Presbyterian Church for the free use of the community center.

Old Business: Niki restated information given at the work session regarding Clerk wages, noted an increase of about 25% in duties plus extra time off work to meet election

requirements and provided a copy of Clerk duties required by law from the Secretary of State Office. Niki requested an increase for the Clerk position from \$300 a month to \$600 a month. Council requested time to read through the State mandated duties and Don made a motion, seconded by Denise to table further discussion until the next Council meeting. Approved 5-0. The Council agreed more time is needed to define the part-time maintenance position and work out the bugs in establishing hours so Denise made a motion, seconded by Kelly to table further discussion until next spring. Approved 5-0. Niki reported \$60 was paid in fines and license for 2 cats caught running at large – one recent, one a few months ago. Niki also requested authorization to send out a reminder letter to a resident who failed to provide a copy of a lease agreement needed to maintain farm animals on property. Jim noted a lease was signed between him and the property owners. The Council authorized a written reminder to the resident.

New Business: Council discussed the recent rash of personal attack messages left on the City answering machine. The voice was identified and it was agreed the person slandered would contact the police and the messages would be saved until that contact was made. Niki also requested Tami redo the phone message with Niki's current phone number.

Special announcements:

Don made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Niki. Approved 5-0.