

Hills City Council Meeting
March 13, 2017
7:00 PM
Hills Fire Station Meeting Room

The Hills City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Tim Kemp at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 13, 2017 at the Hills Fire Station Meeting Room.

Council members present were: Merle Hill, Thom Kirkpatrick, Steve Harris, Cathy Knebel and Bruce Endris. Absent: None. Also present: Cathy Fitzmaurice-Hill, City Administrator, Ron Wolfe, Public Works, and Matt Pantel, Asst. Fire Chief.

Consent Agenda: A Motion was made by Knebel and seconded by Kirkpatrick to approve the consent agenda including agenda items, minutes from the Meeting of February 27, 2017, Scheduled list of claims, receipts from February 25, 2017 thru March 10, 2017, Treasurer's Report and Budget Report. Ayes:5. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None.

Business:

The Council reviewed an itemized estimate for bathroom updates to the Fire Station bathrooms. While the Council feels some improvements should be done they did not feel it needs to be hired out. It was suggested that some work could be done either by volunteers or by new city employee. The Council took no action at this time.

Reports:

Attorney: No report.

Fire Chief: No report.

Maintenance: No report.

Sewer: No report

Water: No report

Administrator: The City has received a proforma from Maggie Burger, Financial Advisor, for the Wastewater project. The numbers indicate that there may be a need for an additional increase in rates. Bids will be opened March 22 with an award anticipated for Council meeting of March 27. Construction could begin in mid to late April. The construction loan application will be completed after the bids with a public hearing anticipated for April 24th council meeting. The City will be subject to an annual audit after this fiscal year is complete. Cathy is working on RFPs to hire an accountant to perform the audit. It will take place in September or October.

Mayor: No report

Council Comments:

Knebel requested an update on house demolition. It should begin as weather permits. Salvage Barn has retrieved items as they could.

Harris commented on the Community Center floor, felt it did not turn out as expected.

Kirkpatrick requested that the top of the City entrance signs be cleaned. Will check with school to see if it's a project they want to take on.

A Motion was made by Kirkpatrick and seconded by Harris to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m. Ayes: 5. Motion carried.

Tim Kemp, Mayor

Attest: _____
Cathy Fitzmaurice-Hill, City Administrator