

Hills City Council Meeting
April 13, 2020
7:00 PM
Hills Fire Station Meeting Room

The regular Hills City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Tim Kemp at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 13, 2020 at the Hills Fire Station Meeting Room.

Present: Council members: Merle Hill, Cathy Knebel, Teresa Volk and Guy Sommers. Christine Peters present via telephone. Absent: None. Also present: Cathy Fitzmaurice-Hill, City Administrator and Matt Pantel, Public Works, Fire Chief.

Consent Agenda: A Motion was made by Hill and seconded by Sommers to approve the consent agenda approving agenda, minutes from March 23, 2020 Council Meeting, scheduled list of claims, receipts from March 21, 2020 thru April 10, 2020, Treasurer's Report and Budget Report. Ayes: 5. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None.

Business:

Resolution 2020-19 was presented accepting and authorizing the Mayor to execute Storm Sewer Construction and Dedication Agreement. This agreement covers the Stutsman project on Iowa Street, joined by the City. Stutsmans asked that a change be made to the agreement to split the cost of the final inspection. Council discussed they would not be opposed to consider this but felt they would need to have an estimate of cost before they could agree. They would be willing to discuss further. A Motion was made by Volk and seconded by Knebel to approve Resolution 2020-19 accepting agreement as proposed. Roll Call: Ayes: Volk, Knebel, Sommers, Peters, Hill. Resolution 2020-19 approved.

Council discussed LL Pelling recommendation for street work. Council recommends limited street work this year as the long term goal is to review streets and consider removing some seal coat and laying asphalt. This year's work should be limited to fixing areas as recommended by PW. A Motion was made by Hill and seconded by Knebel to approve street work as recommended by Public Works. Ayes: 5. Motion carried.

Council discussed garbage proposals. City has received information from 6 companies that provide garbage collection. 3 indicated they would not service Hills. ABC Disposal offers weekly pick up at \$21.50/month for a 65 or 95 gallon cart and recycle. Wemiga Waste offers weekly pick up at \$17.50 for a 95 gallon cart and 18 gallon recycle tub. Johnson County Refuse offers weekly pick up at \$16.50 for a 35 gallon cart and \$18.50 for a 65 gallon cart. Each resident would also have a choice of 65 or 95 gallon recycle cart included in the price. A Motion was made by Sommers and seconded by Volk to accept the proposal of Johnson County Refuse. Ayes: 5. Motion carried.

Council reviewed the Audit Report for Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 thru June 30, 2019. A Motion was made by Knebel and seconded by Hill to approve report. Ayes: 5. Motion carried.

Mayor Kemp updated the Council on the COVID-19 pandemic.

Reports:

Attorney: No report. -

Fire Chief: Pancake breakfast will likely be postponed.

Maintenance: A portion of the Splash pad fence blew down in the winds. Matt will work on fixing. Work should be less than any deductible.

Sewer: No report

Water: No Report.

Administrator: Stage ground work has been completed, waiting on wood.

Mayor: No additional report.

Council Comments: No additional comments

A Motion was made by Hill and seconded by Sommers to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Ayes: 5. Motion carried.

Tim Kemp, Mayor

Cathy Fitzmaurice-Hill, City Administrator