

MINUTES
CITY OF THORP REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2015 AT 6:30PM
IN THORP CITY HALL

ROUTINE BUSINESS

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm. In attendance were Mayor Stroinski; Alderpersons Baumgarten, Lawcewicz, Abramczak, Smriga, and Wnek; DPW McCredden; Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Pogodzinski; and City Administrator Reeg.
2. Comments and suggestions from pre-registered citizens
None.
3. Consent Agenda—The City Council, with a single vote and without debate, may act upon the following items. Any council member wishing to debate an individual item may request that it be considered separately
 - a. Approval of minutes from January 12, 2014 Regular City Council meeting
M/M/S (Wnek, Lawcewicz) to approve the consent agenda. Carried unanimously.
4. Discussion and possible action relating to monthly reports:
 - a. Police Department monthly report
Nothing in addition to the report.
 - b. Public Works/Utilities monthly report
Nothing in addition to the report.
 - c. Administrator’s Report, Financial Report, Vouchers, Payroll Register & Journal Entries
M/M/S (Abramczak, Wnek) to approve all as presented. Carried unanimously.
 - d. Library monthly report
Nothing in addition to the report.
 - e. Reports from various committees
Alderson Smriga reported briefly on the activities of the Sustainability and Parks & Recreation Committees.
 - f. Reports from elected officials
None.

OLD BUSINESS

5. Award bid for Well #15 project
Randy Sanford from SEH was on hand, and explained that the bids had come in quite a bit higher than anticipated, due to the discovery that the entire SCADA system needed to be upgraded. The DNR had agreed, at minimum, to loan the additional funds at .99% interest. SEH and staff would be working with the DNR in hopes of having the additional scope of work amended to be covered by the 60% grant funding. Reeg explained that because the DNR had also agreed to finance the emergency Washington Street water project, the interest savings on that project outweighed the overage on this project and the water utility would not be exposed even further to debt.
M/M/S (Wnek, Smriga) to award the bid to Haas Sons Inc. for \$381,768 (the low bidder of 3 bids). Carried unanimously.
6. Ordinance 2015-02-1 “An Ordinance Creating Sections 12-5-7 and 12-5-8 of the City of Thorp Code of Ordinances Regarding Murals and Application Fees”
M/M/S (Lawcewicz, Abramczak) to enact the ordinance. Carried unanimously.
7. Approval of 2015 Operating Budget for Fund 110 (Cemetery Fund)
M/M/S (Smriga, Lawcewicz) to approve. Carried unanimously.
8. Resolution 2015-02-2 “Resolution Updating or Establishing Certain Fees”
M/M/S (Baumgarten, Lawcewicz) to adopt the resolution. Carried unanimously.

9. Discussion and possible action relating to bidding of pool tiling and caulking projects
The need for these projects had been discussed previously last fall. It was agreed by general consensus to place the projects out for bids to be approved in March.

NEW BUSINESS

10. Discussion and possible action relating to bidding of 2015 lawn mowing services
It was agreed by general consensus to place mowing out for sealed bids. One year bids would be requested with alternate bids for 2 year contracts accepted.
11. Approval of recommendations from Equipment Committee regarding 2015 equipment purchases
None at this time. No action taken.
12. Approval of recommendations from Parks & Recreation Board regarding Dairy Days improvements to Northside Park
A proposal for improvements had been provided by the Dairy Days Committee. It included a new announcer's stand with permanent enclosed storage, new light poles, new fencing, and widening of the pull track. Parks & Recreation had recommended approval.
M/M/S (Smriga, Wnek) to approve the improvements to be paid for by the Dairy Days Committee. Carried unanimously.

CLOSING BUSINESS

13. Comments and suggestions from pre-registered citizens
None.
14. Reports from Department Heads, Mayor, Council, Committees, and discussion of future agenda items
Alderperson Smriga reported on a broadband meeting being hosted by CCEDC and being held in Greenwood on February 19th.
Mayor Stroinski posed the idea of expanded the number of streets that ATV's could operate on legally. It was agreed to consider it in the future.
Reeg spoke briefly on the pending or future topics of HFC cow counts, renovating the sign at the Hwy 29 exit, manure ordinances, results of WI Surplus auction, and a pending zoning letter regarding a downtown business.
15. Adjournment
M/M/S (Lawcewicz, Smriga) to adjourn at 7:24pm. Carried unanimously.

Date of Publication

Ray Stroinski
Mayor

Randall D. Reeg
Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer