

CITY OF EVART
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

February 4, 2013

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Present: Carlson, Keysor, Sherman and Walter

Absent: Schmidt

Guests: Mark Wilson, Patrick Muczynski, Joel Johnson, Jeff Mays, Consumer Energy, John Slaby, Buck Vallad, Brandy Dimond, Melora Theunick, Jim White, City Attorney, John Tanner, Sarah Neubecker, John and Judy Wxnia.

Comments: John Tanner (Architect) is meeting with Buck regarding funding opportunities for City Sewage Facility.

Joel Johnson (State Representative) introduced himself to council and discussed the issues he is presently working on.

Joe Sinkler announced the Evert Car Club is holding a figure 8 on February 23rd at 2:00 P.M.

Moved by Walter, supported by Sherman to amend the agenda as follows:

- 1.Appointment of Deputy Clerk.

Passed unanimously

Moved by Walter. supported by Sherman to approve the minutes of January 21, 2013.

Passed unanimously

LDFA

Melora Theunick reported, she wants to meet with the sign committee to discuss entrance signs to the city.

Moved by Walter, supported by Carlson to authorize the City Manager to sign the Oil and Gas Lease, with Western Land Services, Inc.

Passed unanimously

Moved by Walter, supported by Sherman to ratify and sign the Police Union Contract as a whole, with the exception of Retirement, Article 25, which will be reopened after the

City receives the Supplemental Valuation from MERS to decide, if moving from B3 retirement program to a B4 would be economically feasible for the Employees, of the City.

Passed unanimously

Agri Valley, budget worksheets, sewer and water rates was moved to unfinished business.

Moved by Sherman, supported by Walter to approve the proposal from J&J River Run (John and Judy Wxnia) to use the Scout Building at Riverside Park East for the purpose of storing tubes for their canoe livery business, using the river frontage in front of the building as a launching site for river trips.

Passed unanimously

Aaron Wood of Amerilux Co. gave a presentation on street lights, the financing options and energy savings in kilowatt hours.

The City Manager suggested requesting proposals for bids from the various companies that have given presentations previously at council meetings.

Moved by Sherman, supported by Walter to accept the new language in the Employment Policies and Procedure Manuals, amending Section A insurance by adding "City of Ewart non-union employees shall participate in the hard cap program and cost share the following percentage for medical care 10%. The 10% times the actual cost of the insurance benefit per employee".

"Non-union employees, who participate in the closed defined benefit plan, shall cost share 1.5% of their gross wages pre-tax to the retirement program".

"All new full-time (non-union) employees hired on or after December 31, 2012 shall be Covered by MERS Hybrid Plan, with a 1.5% multiplier. Non-union Employees cost share shall be 1% of gross wages pre-tax".

Sick Leave, change the language to read as follows: Calling in sick, "The employee must notify his/her department head one (1) hour prior to start of the work day. If during the work day, notify your department head prior to leaving work".

Passed unanimously

Moved by Walter, supported by Sherman to approve the vendor's list (\$39,845.97), payroll (\$25,939.35) and manual checks (\$79,295.41).

Passed unanimously

Moved by Walter, supported by Sherman to approve spending up to \$22,000 on used

playground equipment located off site at Oakley Park, West Bloomfield Township.

Passed unanimously

Moved by Sherman, supported by Walter to adjourn at 8:05 P.M.

Passed unanimously