

CITY OF EVART
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

June 3, 2013

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

Present: Carlson, Keysor, Schmidt, Sherman and Walter.

Guests: Larry Cox TCI, Steven Wright TCI, Dick Douglas, Connie Douglas, Shane Helmer, Travis Douglas, Lane Johnston, Buck Vallad, Melora Theunick, Ryan Douglas, Miranda Lorenz, Cheryl Snider, Derek Lawrance, Rita Thompson, Sara Bigelow and Jim White, City Attorney.

COMMENTS: Cheryl Snider questioned why Marijuana Dispensaries were only allowed in the area zoned C2 and not C1.

Mayor Schmidt explained the Planning Commission tried to keep it in an isolated area along US 10. The City cannot forbid having a dispensary but can determine where it should go.

Connie Douglas, a representative of the Chamber of Commerce wondered what could be done about lawns that are not cut and buildings that need to be torn down.

The City Manager explained that lawns that need to be mowed comes under the Blight Ordinance. The City is writing a Landlord, Tenant Ordinance to cover rental houses. The City can condemn a building, but doesn't have the money to do so.

Moved by Walter, supported by Keysor to amend the agenda as follows;

1. Take off "Employee Agreement".
2. Track Team Sign.

Passed unanimously

Moved by Walter, supported by Carlson to accept the minutes of May 20, 2013 as corrected.

Passed unanimously

L DFA

Melora Theunick reported the L DFA will be holding a Citizen's Meeting on June 10th. The L DFA will be having a guest speaker regarding, Municipal Electricity at the meeting.

Jacob Hutchinson, a EHS Generation Student, won a prize at the Generation E Business Showcase in Battle Creek, MI for his Kayak display of equipment.

TUCKER COMMUNICATIONS

A representative from Tucker Communications wanted to know where their Company stood with their proposed contract, to place an antenna on the West Water Tower.

The proposed goals for 2013-2014 will need to be turned in by June 17th.

Janitorial Bids will be opened June 6, 2013.

Shane Helmer, Chief of the Evert Fire Department explained the Department's Five Year Plan and ask Council for their opinion as to where they are going building wise, equipment wise, etc. as it will affect their income. Council will review the Plan.

Moved by Sherman, supported by Carlson to approve the Assessor's one year Agreement between the City of Evert and Cushman Appraisals.

Passed unanimously

Moved by Walter, supported by Keysor to approve purchasing a sign, stating the 2013 Track Team won the State Championship, splitting the cost between the Evert Public School and the City of Evert, to be attached to the "Welcome to Evert" sign.

Keysor rescinded his support.
Walter rescinded his motion.

Moved by Keysor, supported by Schmidt to hold the Track Team sign for further investigation.

Passed unanimously

Moved by Keysor, supported by Walter to approve the vendor's list (\$87,850.95), payroll (\$29,881.75) and manual check list (\$15,191.06).

Passed unanimously

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Szakacs gave the following information to Council for review.

1. The "Fiscal Storm".
2. The States Budget Agreement with a 4.8 percent EVIP increase.
3. City Budget books will be handed out June 17th.

CHIEF BACKINGS REPORT

The next Community Watch Meeting will be June 27, 2013 at 5:00 P.M. The meeting will be held at the Fire Hall.

Moved by Schmidt, supported by Walter to approve \$5000 for painting the center stripes on Main, Oak and River Streets, and the parking stripes on Main Street. The DPW Superintendent will get three bids.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Sherman, Walter, Keysor and Schmidt.

Nay: Carlson.

Moved by Walter, supported by Keysor to adjourn at 7:55 P.M.

Passed unanimously