

City of Strathmoor Manor Minutes for April 23, 2015

The meeting of the City of Strathmoor Manor Commission was called to order. In attendance were the following: Mayor, Brian Cobb; Commissioners Kathy Barber, Kathy Zandona, Bob Peterson and Susan Stopher; and Attorney, John Harrison.

The Meeting Minutes for March 26, 2015 were approved as amended.

Police Business

The report for March, 2015 was reviewed.

Resident Business

Cobb reported on his communication with Bobbi Stern about water pooling in front of her home at 2160 Lowell. Ms. Stern has contacted the paving company, Flynn Brothers, and MSD. Flynn advised that paving did not create this problem. MSD did not indicate a solution. Discussion ensued about further work through a committee and future approaches to MSD.

General City

It was determined to maintain only one official contact list as previously distributed.

City Business/Legal – John Harrison

Municipal Ordinance 2015-2 amending the FY 2014-2015 budget was tabled until the next meeting.

There was a second reading of Municipal Ordinance 2015-3 setting the tax rate for FY 2015-2016. After lengthy discussion and data analysis, a motion to pass the ordinance with a tax rate of 32 cents per \$100.00 of valuation was approved with Barber, Stopher, Peterson and Zandona voting yes and Cobb voting no.

Maintenance Report – Kathy Zandona

The Shelley Alley paving concerns were discussed. Cobb reviewed the situation and determined that Waste Management collection practices were not an issue.

Stopher shared information about an MSD tree grant program. It was determined that Zandona and Stopher would further research this prior to applying for any grant money.

Zandona will inquire and report on having several dead trees removed in this fiscal year.

Financial Report – Bob Peterson

Reviewed and approved the April financial report and Balance Sheet prepared by Pat Colgate. In addition, copies of the bank statements were reviewed.

There was discussion of budget considerations for next year and long term. Cobb will distribute information about this prior to the May meeting.

Cobb and Barber had reviewed the preliminary tax rolls provided by the PVA. There was agreement that all properties were included. It was noted that the increased values may result in appeals and require refunds if the appeals are successful. Stopher will submit the paperwork with a copy of the tax rate ordinance.

A process to obtain audit bids was discussed and tabled until next month.

Communications

Barber will complete the newsletter and include the tax rate ordinance. Cobb volunteered to deliver it next week.

The next regular meeting will be May 28, 2015 at 7 pm.