

MINUTES
Regular Meeting of Rolling Fields City Commission
6:30 p.m. at Second Presbyterian Church
March 12, 2015

Those present: Mayor Bill Conway, Treasurer Joanna Nugent, Commissioners Beth Moffett, Carolyn Wetterer, Danny Tafel, Chief Kelly Spratt, and Clerk Barker Price.

Police report: Chief Kelly Spratt reported that the month of February was very quiet. He again noted that one of his part-time officers has resigned, and that the department is proceeding with interviews for a replacement. Commissioner Tafel asked if the chief had any news about the effectiveness of the two cameras recently installed at the entrances to River Wood. Chief Spratt did not have any updates available. Commissioner Tafel advised that he would follow-up with one or more River Wood residents.

Minutes:

The revised December and January minutes were discussed and approved without change. The February minutes were also discussed and approved without change.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Joanna Nugent presented a review of the revised Budget and Balance Sheet. She advised that two property tax payments had still not been received, and that other pending adjustments leave the City in good financial standing. Treasurer Nugent also noted that, because of two snow storms, expenditures to date from the Road Fund have exceeded budget. One correction was noted to the calculations.

Road Repaving:

The commission discussed outstanding issues relating to the recent repaving project. Mayor Conway explained that Flynn Brothers has offered to repair the failing area at the Pennington/Club intersection for an estimate \$5,000 to \$8,000. He explained that responsibility for the road failure in this area was due to inadequate oversight and guidance by the City's inspector, GEM. Resolution of this issue was handled as follows:

- A. Commissioner Tafel moved that the City pay Flynn the outstanding \$13,854 balance due on the original contract work. The motion was approved.
- B. Commissioner Wetterer moved that the City withhold payment to GEM for its inspection services. Further, it was agreed that the City attorney should draft a letter to GEM advising that, as a result of faulty inspection work by GEM, the City is holding payment and will be holding them responsible for the added cost to repair the Pennington/Club intersection. The motion was approved.

Treasurer Nugent advised that all of the residents of the Fairway Lane cul-de-sac have now submitted a good-faith payment for the extra paving that was required for pull-offs in this area. While the total amount received was below the commission's expectation, it was agreed to close this issue and move on.

Ordinance 14-04:

Mayor Conway led a discussion regarding the pending Ordinance 14-04 which sets building design standards for construction in the City. Two changes were approved. Also, Mayor

Conway is going to investigate and recommend a new per-day penalty rate for non-conformance under the terms of the ordinance. The revised ordinance will be voted on at the April meeting.

Neighborhood dog issue:

The commission discussed the need for renewed notice to residents regarding the City's dog leash requirement. It was also noted that some residents are leaving bags of dog waste on the roadside rather than taking them home. It was agreed that Mayor Conway will address these issues in an upcoming newsletter.

Newsletter publisher:

The commission discussed the benefit of sending regular newsletters to City residents. It was agreed that it would be helpful to find a resident who might be willing to undertake this activity. No specific action was recommended, but this might be a good item for the next newsletter.

The meeting adjourned, with a motion from Danny Tafel and a second from Beth Moffett, at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Barker Price,
Clerk, Rolling Fields