

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
EITZEN CITY COUNCIL
October 8, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Eitzen City Council was called to order at 7:03 pm by Mayor Jeffrey Adamson. Council members present were Emily Burrichter, Mitch Lutichens, Doug Meyer and Matt Sauer. Also in attendance City Clerk Steve Schuldt, Maintenance Supervisor Darryl Meyer and guest Tom Wiebke.

Tom Wiebke presented council with an oral financial report of Eitzen Fire District #3. He stated that the department is in financially good shape with \$25,000.00 in equipment replacement funds and \$35,000.00 in savings. There are 27 individuals on the fire and rescue squad. The department anticipates that their pumper will need to be replaced in 5 years and could possibly cost \$250,000.00. He does not expect that there will be a tax levy increase in the near future due to ample revenue from charitable gambling.

Minutes of the September 10, 2019 meeting were read. Councilmember Sauer moved, second by Councilmember Burrichter and the motion passed to approve the minutes.

September financial statements were reviewed. Councilmember Burrichter moved, second by Councilmember Sauer and the motion passed to approve the financial statements.

Council was informed that the Community Center roof repairs have been completed.

Council discussed an oral request from Mike Frauenkron to construct a 30 X 36 pole garage/shop on a vacant lot at 325 Town Line Road between properties owned by JC Nerstad Rentals and David Thiele. Mr. Frauenkron wishes to purchase the property owned by JC Nerstad Rentals and construct a building to store vehicles and use as a wood working shop. Council by consensus was in favour of the project as long as the structure is sided with a material that conforms to other structures in the neighbourhood and have normal overhangs. Council was not in favour of vertical steel sheeting. A properly completed building permit request must be submitted and approved prior to construction.

Council reviewed a proposed Plunkett's Pest Control contract for the Community Center. Councilmember Lutichens moved, second by Councilmember Meyer and the motion passed to approve the contract at a cost of \$304.00 per year.

Councilmember Lutichens reported that he has submitted a grant request to the Arlin Falck Foundation in the amount of \$45,000.00 to construct a community pathway with lighting along East Main street to the east end of the town.

Maintenance Supervisor Meyer reported that a new pump is on order for the well house. He also commented that the City's metal detector is in need of recalibration at a cost of \$400.00 plus any other repairs it may need. He commented that the current unit is 14 years old and could be replaced for approximately \$1,000.00. He currently has a unit on trial.

Council discussed setting a removal date for U.S. flags on light poles in the city. Having the flags in place from Memorial Day until Veterans Day shortens the life cycle of the flags from 2 seasons to one season. No action was taken.

Council reviewed September 2019 claims payable. Councilmember Burrichter moved, second by Councilmember Meyer and the motion passed to pay all claims.

There being no further business, Councilmember Lutichens moved, second by Councilmember Sauer and the motion passed to adjourn at 7:50 pm.

_____ Clerk

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