

**MINUTES OF THE
City Council Meeting and Public Hearing for the City of Menan held Sept. 12, 2019.**

Presiding: Chauncey T. Haight, Mayor

Present: Chauncey T. Haight, Ron Jones, Brian Storms, Noel Raymond, Amy Gahn, Allyson Pettingill, Matt Walker, Kris Meek, Sheriff Anderson, Sgt. Smith, Kent Clark, Gary Maples, Rand & Carolyn Watson, Bill Hartleben, Danielle Andrew, and Tim Hale.

INCOME: Sept. 12 to Oct. 10, 2019:

Sewer Payroll	3093.16
Garbage Payroll	124.76
July 2019 Property Taxes	5439.39
Motor vehicle Fine	120.60
1 st Qtr State Liquor Dist. -2019	6379.00
Park Shelter rentals	40.00
Nelson Permit App. fee	25.00
General Fund Money Market Interest	3.48
General Fund Collateralized Money Market Interest	.49
Sewer Fund Money Market Interest	11.08
Sewer Fund Collateralized Money Market Interest	0
Garbage Fund Money Market Interest	2.61
LGIP State Pool	3.47
TOTAL	15,243.04

Income from Sewer Account Oct.:	\$ 14,973.60
Income from Garbage Account Oct.:	\$ 2,724.61

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Law Enforcement Report: Sgt Smith addresses the Council to deliver the report. He states the report is from 7/27/2019-8/23/2019. There were 125 hours logged with 16 complaints, 2 arrests, 0 DUI's, 16 citations, and 95 traffic contacts. There is discussion of the report. Tim Hale mentions the speeding on 3600 E. with school starting. Sgt. Smith says he will relay the information and have additional patrols sent to monitor speed. Mayor Haight asks if there are any questions for Sgt. Smith and the Sheriff's Dept. There are no questions. The Council thanks the Sheriff's Dept. for all they do.

Citizens Comments: There are no comments.

Allyson explains that the information she had received from Justin Ruen at the AIC suggests that the best plan forward would be to ask the voters for the 2 year Temporary Override again, as was asked and placed on the ballot in May. The difference being that this Override would be specifically for and designated to the roads and would dedicated as such. There is some discussion of this.

Enter Public Hearing for Proposed Streets Property Tax Levy at 7:25 pm.

Mayor Haight addresses those in attendance and explains the purpose of the Public Hearing and how the Hearing will proceed. Mayor Haight then asks that if anyone would like to speak, they must sign the papers either for, neutral, or against.

Mayor Haight asks if anyone in attendance would like to speak for the proposed Streets Property Tax Levy.

Tim Hale: Tim states he is for the proposed streets property tax levy. He states that as he drives around town and looks at the roads, he can see a lot of damage. He can see that a lot of fixing needs to be done and it will be expensive.

Mayor Haight asks if anyone who is neutral would like to speak.

Kent Clark: Kent begins by asking a question. He asks who on the Council knew about the Public Hearing and who had asked to have it placed on the agenda. There is some discussion of this. Noel states that the Council has been discussing the issue since June and had stated their desire to have the issue placed on the ballot again in November. Kent then asks who on the Council had made the motion to have a public hearing. There is discussion of this. Kris states that he cannot find any state code or statute stating that a public hearing has to have a motion to be placed on the agenda. Kris also states that in order to have the issue placed on the ballot he cannot find any statute stating that there has to be a public hearing.

Danielle Andrew: Danielle states that she has been to most meetings and was surprised to show up to the meeting and discover there was a public hearing scheduled. She further stated that she does remember the issue being discussed, but found that the public hearing seemed rushed.

Mayor Haight asks if anyone would like to speak against the proposed Streets Property Tax Levy.

Gary Maples: Gary stated that he is against the issue being placed on the ballot. He further stated that his heart is in the community and that he had served 8 previous years on the Council because of his love of Menan. He states he is frustrated with the roads and the degradation. He then stated that people love Menan and the look of it. He also stated that he received a letter from the County saying his home value went up, so his taxes will too. He liked the idea of a designated road levy, but felt like all the facts aren't together to be presented. He made a suggestion to get with the ITD to write grants for the funds for the roads.

Rand Watson: Rand stated that he is against. He then stated that in regards to people not showing up to past public hearings, they may not attend because they feel the Council is not listening to them. He further stated that he was appalled that the Council would consider placing the issue on the ballot again as the citizens rejected it in May. He further stated that the Council is not listening to the citizens. He then says that the Idaho Department of Commerce has grant money but no one has contacted them. He stated that he had given the Mayor the number to a contact at the Department but the Mayor has never called. He then states that grants would be best. Other small cities have applied for and received large grants for fixing their roads. He reiterates applying for the grants available, not increasing taxes.

Caroline Watson: Caroline states she is against. She states she loves the town and wants to see it improved. She also states that she can see why everyone is upset. She further states that the Council should go after grant money as the grants in question do not need a match from the City.

Bill Hartleben states that the City should look into the grant money.

Matt states that if anyone knows of any grants to let him know as he is always looking for grants to help with the City projects.

Close Public Hearing at 8:02 pm.

Mayor Haight asks the Council what their thoughts are. Ron Jones thanks those in attendance for coming to the meeting to be informed and engage in the business of the City. Gary states he cant understand why there aren't more people in attendance and that he can see how the Council faces a hard decision based on only 5 people. Kent suggests posting more notices in the post office and Valleywide. There is discussion of this as the Council states that has been done in the past with the same low attendance results. Rand states to keep trying to get grants. The Council discusses the issue of placing the question of the Streets property tax levy increase on the November ballot.

Brian Storms made a motion to pass Resolution 2019-2 to place the question of a dedicated Streets Property Tax Levy on the November ballot. Noel Raymond seconded the motion. Roll Call vote: Amy Gahn-aye; Ron Jones-nay; Noel Raymond-aye; Brian Storms-aye. Motion carried.

Amy Gahn reads the title of Resolution 2019-2.

Planning and Zoning Update: Allyson reports that the Planning and Zoning meeting was cancelled.

Planning and Zoning Recommendation Process:

Noel Raymond made a motion to table the item indefinitely. Ron Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discuss County P&Z Impact Area Agreement-Action: Mayor Haight informs the Council of the letter that Eric Stout from the Jefferson County P&Z sent regarding the timeline City may still need for the Impact Area Agreement. There is discussion of this. Mayor Haight also states that Lewisville's Mayor Judd is ok with the drainage ditch on 500 N. as the cut off for Menan to expand the Impact Area to include the new ground being purchased for the sewer. There is discussion of this. There is discussion of having a new map made to show the addition to the Impact Area. There is discussion of putting together an agreement with the new Area of Impact signed by both Mayors and then giving to the County P&Z. Kris then states that as soon as the ground is added to the Impact Area the City needs to annex the land. There is discussion of the concerns the Council has with the County's proposed agreement. Kris states that he would like everyone to look over the agreement and send him an electric copy of their concerns. There is discussion of holding a Special Work meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 18th at 7:00 pm to work on the agreement.

Letter for 30 ft strip-Action: Brian states he has been working on it and has met with Kris's legal assistant. He further states that he has called a title company to help with locating deeds for all of the property along both sides of both strips. He then states that this could take several months as there is a lot of properties and the title company does this work for free when they can fit it in. He states it is progressing and he will keep working on it. There is discussion of the letter to be sent to the homeowners and what the content should be.

FY 2019-2020 Appropriations Ordinance-Action:

Ron Jones made a motion to suspend the reading of the proposed ordinance three times on three separate days and have the title of the proposed ordinance read only once. Noel Raymond seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Brian Storms-aye; Ron Jones-aye; Amy Gahn-aye; Noel Raymond-aye. Motion carried.

Ron Jones read the title of Ordinance #426.

Noel Raymond made a motion to pass Ordinance #426. Brian Storms seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Noel Raymond-aye; Brian Storms-aye; Ron Jones-aye; Amy Gahn-aye. Motion passed.

Franchise Title in Menan Code-Action: The Mayor and Council look over the proposed Bill. There are a few spelling errors fixed. There is discussion of the contact for the farm ground. There is discussion of a contract for the new ground being purchased to be farmed.

Ron Jones made a motion to suspend the reading of the proposed ordinance three times and on three separate days and have the title of the proposed ordinance read only once. Noel Raymond seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Brian Storms read the title of Ordinance #427.

Noel Raymond made a motion to pass Ordinance #427, Franchise Agreements and Contracts. Ron Jones seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Parking Ordinance: The Mayor and Council look over the proposed Bill 2019-3 Kris has put together for a parking ordinance. Matt is asked to order No Parking from here to the Corner signs.

Noel Raymond made a motion to table the Parking Ordinance item until next month. Amy Gahn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Discussion: Danielle Andrew asks if it would be possible for a person to donate money to a specific line item in the budget. There is discussion of this. Allyson says she will look into it. Amy brings up a possible grant writing class offered at ISU. There is discussion of this. Amy and Brian express interest.

Maintenance Update: Matt asks if there has been any word from Lewisville on the informal rate study for the engineer. Mayor Haight states that the Mayor from Lewisville did contact him the previous evening stating that their Council had approved \$1500 for the study. He did acknowledge that the amount was not what was asked for, but the Lewisville Council felt it was fair considering if they don't end up hooking to Menan's sewer they will be out the \$1500. There is discussion of this. Mayor Haight tells Matt to have the engineer get started on the rate survey. Matt states there isn't much else going on. It has slowed down and he is still trying not to spend money. He does state he is putting culverts on the corners of the farm land to help to irrigate the areas. There is discussion of this.

Treasurers Report-Action: Allyson asks if there are any questions.

Noel Raymond made a motion to accept the Treasurers Report. Brian Storms seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Bills-Action: There is discussion of the Bills.

Noel Raymond made a motion to pay the bills for September 2019. Ron Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Minutes: There is discussion of the minutes.

Ron Jones made a motion to accept the August 8, 2019 minutes as written. Brian Storms seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Ron Jones made a motion to adjourn. Noel Raymond seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Meeting ended at 10:14 pm.

Allyson Pettingill,
City Clerk/Treasurer