**City Of Green Isle**

**City Council Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, July 26, 2016 (7 PM)**

**City Office Council Chambers**

**Call the City Council Meeting to order** Mayor ZumBerge called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

**Pledge Of Allegiance**

**Council members present** ZumBerge, Wentzlaff, Schauer, Harms, Oelfke

**City staff present** Clerk/Treasurer Panning

**Others present** Vicki Holthaus & Lelia Leonhardt (AEM Financial), Brandy Barrett (School), Jason Voigt (resident)

**Public comment period** Jason Voigt had 3 areas of concern. 1) a road closed sign tipped over behind a standing road closed sign on the west end of 4th Street. He would like it removed. 2) a bad patch of road at the intersect of Western & 4th Street due to some RS fiber work. 3) wants a map of weight limits on all streets in town. After some discussion Clerk Panning said he would pursue finding or preparing a map showing all City streets with their weight limits.

Brandy Barrett, representing the school, said that they cannot find a bus company to cover all the cities needed to be covered. She also discussed the possibility of the school purchasing or leasing a bus and said that this may require a co-signer. After much discussion it was agreed that Brandy would send the City an email with the details and Panning would then forward that information to City Attorney Arneson for review. Panning suggested that Brandy attend the next meeting where Arneson will also be in attendance to discuss this issue further. Mayor ZumBerge asked Brandy the projected attendance for this school year and Brandy said it is now at 64 students. Wentzlaff brought up the status of the $50,000.00 that the City agreed to give the school to help keep the school open. Panning said that so far the City has paid 2 invoices amounting to approximately half of the $50,000.00. Brandy also asked the status of the energy audit at the school. Panning said that the audit was performed on July 6 and is now waiting to see the report.

**Approval of the Agenda** Wentzlaff, Harms, Schauer & ZumBerge asked to be added to the Agenda.

**Motion made by Oelfke & seconded by ZumBerge to approve the Agenda with the additions. Motion carried 5/0.**

**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

1. **Approval of the minutes from the 7-12-16 meeting**
2. **Approval of the claims for 7-26-16 totalling $13,341.38**

**Motion made by Wentzlaff & seconded by ZumBerge to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried 5/0.**

**AEM Financial** Lelia and Vicki went through the 2nd Quarter Report in detail.

Checking balance 6/30/16 $527,342

Checking balance 12/31/15 $486,558

Increase of $40,784 since 2015 year end.

General fund cash balance is trending similar to previous years. The Fire Department capital fund cash balance has increased over $10,000 from year ending 2015 due to a Lions Club donation & no current capital purchases. There was a decrease in cash for funds 320 & 345 due to principal & interest payments for 2010A & 2007A bonds. We will recoup these dollars in the next cash settlement from the County. The City has spent less than anticipated for snow removal and street maintenance this year resulting in a favorable variance for highways, streets, & roads from last year at this time. Parks & recreation is also providing a favorable balance compared to 6/30/15, but the budgeted expenses may be incurred in the 2nd half of 2016. 2016A GO Refunding Bond was received and will take place of USDA loan. Was refinanced at a better interest rate. The payoff of the USDA loan also happened in the 2nd quarter.

**Speed sign update** It was agreed upon by the Council to have the sign put up on Cty road 11 coming into town from the North. It would then be moved onto State Hwy 25 coming into town from the East. The sign will be moved as needed.

**Street Sweeper (Mueller & Sons)** Clerk Panning advised that he contacted Mueller & Sons and they are still waiting a part. He asked that they keep the City advised on the progress.

**School Energy Audit** was discussed earlier in meeting

**Other Matters** Harms advised that Dan Kroells wants to be on the 8-09-16 meeting to discuss the Fire Relief Retirement fund. Panning said that he will be on the Agenda.

Wentzlaff said that the EDA met and the City Web Site was discussed. Michael Piotter advised the EDA that he is actively updating the new Web Site. Wentzlaff also said that the EDA is thinking of holding a “business night” in town where all the businesses in town would be invited to discuss any concerns they may have. Wentzlaff also said that an EDA member had some concern regarding the materials and equipment sitting on OEM’s property.

Council Member Schauer asked if the dirt piles on Cty Road 11, caused by Mathew’s repairing the storm sewer on the west end of Cleveland Ave, would be removed/leveled. ZumBerge stated that Mathew’s would clean that up after it dries a bit.

Harms asked Oelfke if he has had a chance to steam clean the ceiling at the Lions Park. Oelfke said he would get at it this week sometime. Harms also said that Scott Vos has ordered the siding that needs replacement at the Lions Park. Panning also said that the young man who was involved in the vandalism is coming to town this Saturday, under the supervision of his mother or father, to perform some much need weed whacking. He will also come another time, yet to be determined, to work off the $250.00 deductible.

**Motion made by Wentzlaff & seconded by Oelfke to adjourn at 8:05 PM. Motion carried 5/0.**

 **ATTEST**

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**Mayor ZumBerge City Clerk Panning**