**City Of Green Isle**

**City Council Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, March 8th, 2016**

**City Office Council Chambers**

**Call the City Council meeting to order** Mayor ZumBerge called the meeting to order at 7 pm

**Pledge Of Allegiance**

**City Council Members present** Mayor ZumBerge, Wentzlaff, Harms, Schauer

**Council Members absent** Oelfke

**Staff present** City Clerk Panning

**Others present** John Miller (Belle Plaine Herald)

**Public comment period** No one

**Approval of the Agenda** Schauer asked to be added to the Agenda

**Motion made by Wentzlaff & seconded by Harms to accept the Agenda with the addition. Motion passed 4/0.**

**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

1. **Approval of the minutes from the February 23rd, 2016 meeting**
2. **Approval of the claims for March 08, 2016 totalling $22,188.17**

**Motion made by ZumBerge & seconded by Schauer to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried 4/0.**

**City Attorney Arneson** Attorney Arneson explained that he proposes an amendment to the current Resolution regarding the EDS and who can be a member. Currently a member must be a resident of the City. He suggested that we expand that to include an owner, director, manager or employee of a business located in the City, owner of real estate within the City, a member of a civic or community service organization based in the City. This would include, but not be limited to, the Green Isle Fire Dept. or the Green Isle Lions Club. He also explained that a Public Hearing must be held & the suggested change must be published in the local paper for 2 weeks. Arneson will take care of getting the information published and we will hold a Public Hearing on April 12th, 2016 at 7 pm as part of the regularly scheduled Council meeting. After the Public Hearing the City Council can then approve a new amended Resolution.

Arneson also asked if Steve Hanson has cleaned up his property of tires and barrels. After some discussion, Attorney Arneson said he again would contact Mr. Hanson.

Arneson asked about the property on 331 McGrann Street. Wentzlaff commented that there appears to be more vehicles that do not have current tabs and also that his back yard is a mess. Arneson said that he has been cited in the past and that if Clerk Panning can supply him with the current status that he will again issue a letter to the owner to again get the process going. Panning said he will view the property & forward the information to Ross.

Harms said that he noticed a couch that has been sitting on the driveway at 270 Church Street for quite some time. Panning advised that he has had a discussion with Deputy Haller regarding this issue and he has spoken with the property owner. She told Deputy Haller that she has already paid to have this removed but the snow on the couch prevented this from happening. Deputy Haller is to again check this property in a few days. Panning also said that he has sent a letter to the owner for the couch and also an unlicensed pet. Harms asked about the 2 properties in town that require some curbstop work. Wentzlaff will continue to work with the owner of the property on 561 4th Street & Panning will contact Mathews Sewer to see if they have an interest in repairing the one at 350 McGrann Street.

Schauer asked the status of the alley between Pine Street & Grove Street. ZumBerge stated that in 2015 the City approved the repair of the alley behind the Fire Hall & between Center & Main and the other 2 alleys would be looked at in 2016.

Schauer also mentioned that the baseball club is going to rent a dumpster to dispose of the junk in the woods behind the ball park.

Schauer also asked if Panning would get some prices on wood chips to be used at the park at the ball park. Panning said he would get some pricing for the chips.

Schauer said that there are some street lights that need to have the bulbs replaced. Panning asked Schauer to give him some addresses & he will contact EXCEL.

Harms asked what the RS Fiber handout was all about. ZumBerge said that he attended a RS Fiber meeting and this was some information he rec’d. at that meeting. Panning advised that Toby Brummer (RS FIBER General Manager) would be at the March 22nd meeting to answer questions and give the City an update of their progress as it relates to Green Isle.

**Motion made by ZumBerge & seconded by Harms to adjourn at 7:35 pm. Motion carried 4/0.**

**ATTEST**

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**Mayor ZumBerge Clerk Panning**