

ERHARD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2024
5:30 P.M.
CITY HALL, 506 MAIN STREET

Call to Order 5:41PM

Roll Call:

Councilmen Present: Richard Bratlien, Gene Nygaard, Marty Dee Carlson, Chad Ravenscraft
Present: Gary Stadum; Mayor, Sarah Ehlers; Clerk, & LaFaye Thompson; Treasurer

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Approvals:

Agenda – “4th of July Committee permits” was added to the agenda.

Motion to approve by Gene, second by Chad - Motion carried

Minutes – Motion to approve by Marty, second by Gene - Motion carried.

Accounts Payable – Motion to approve by Gene, second by Chad - Motion carried.

Treasurers report – Motion to approve by Chad, second by Marty - Motion carried.

4th of July Committee permits:

After communication by Arlinda with the 4th of July Committee, Gary asked if anyone would like to make a motion to grant the 4th of July Committee an alcohol permit for one day and a gaming permit for one day at a total cost of \$30. Gene made said motion, seconded by Richard Bratlien – Motion carried.

Notices and Communications: Complaint of a local dog digging holes in neighbor’s yard.

Old Business:

Discuss votes received for City Logo: The Logo getting the most votes by a significant margin was option #2 in the mailing (the round one). There were some comments included with the votes. Gary plans to implement some of those suggestions, most notably the change from the Village of Erhard to the City of Erhard. Comments were made about the reason for the pickup. It is included because it is the symbol used by the 4th of July Parade which is Erhard’s claim to fame so we tried to incorporate it.

New Business:

Enforcement of dog ordinance: It was discussed that the dog catcher was called on at least one of the dogs that run loose in town. There was discussion of simply approaching local dog owners to remind them of the ordinance and to inform them that the cost is only \$5. Dogs in town must be up to date on the rabies vaccination. Also, dogs must be on a leash when they are not on your property.

Ottertail County Road Project: The county has decided to proceed with the reconstruction of the sidewalks within the city limits when the reconstruction of HWY 24 takes place. The date is yet to be determined. They have asked for a resolution from us to approve with project as per the design provided with the mailing of the letter.

Motion to approve the resolution was made by Chad, second by Marty – Motion carried.

Resolution (attached) was signed by Gary and Sarah for submission to the CO HWY DEPT.

Richard communicated that Hillbillies is considering closing the liquor store earlier during the winter months and would like to sell from the restaurant. After discussion, it was determined that current licensing requirements would not allow for sale of anything other than off sale 3/2 beer from the restaurant and another license would need to be issued if they wish to proceed.

The yearend financial statements were presented. Chad made a motion to accept it as presented, seconded by Richard – Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn was made by Gene, seconded by Chad – Motion carried at 6:24

Sarah Ehlers
City Clerk