

Regular Council Meeting July 10, 2023

Mayor Stan Townsend called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were Kathy Rupp, Darwin Sietsema, and Brian Baartman. Absent was Chris McCurdy. Also in attendance were Matt Taubert, Gary & Toni Bakker, and Darrin Haroldson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Minutes of the June meeting were approved by M/Baartman 2/Rupp/cd unanimously.

Accountant Matt Taubert from Meulebroeck, Taubert & Co. was here for Ruthton's 2022 Audit Report. The city received a clean audit opinion. The council approved the Journal Entries for the beginning of the year by M/Sietsema 2/Baartman/cd unanimously. The council accepted the 2022 Audit Report by M/Baartman 2/Rupp/cd unanimously.

Wastewater Supervisor, Darrin Haroldson gave the council his report for the month of June and answered the council's questions.

A bid proposal for the replacement of five (5) alley approaches and the fixing of one (1) alley approach from Martinez Contracting for \$14,500.00 was approved by M/Sietsema 2/Baartman/cd unanimously. Only one (1) bid was obtained.

A building permit for Stan Townsend to install a solar array of 20 panels to the roof-top of the depot at 300 Leo Avenue was approved by M/Baartman 2/Rupp/cd unanimously.

The June bills were presented and approved by M/Baartman 2/Rupp/cd unanimously.

Resolution 2023-04 to rescind Resolution 2023-02 was approved by M/Baartman 2/Sietsema/cd unanimously.

Ordinance 2023-01; An Ordinance Amending Ruthton City Code Section 91 to Allow Chickens and Amending the Master Fee Schedule to Set Permit Fees was approved by M/Rupp 2/Sietsema/cd unanimously. A Summary of Ordinance 2023-01 for publication was approved by M/Baartman 2/Rupp/cd unanimously.

Gary & Toni Bakker were here with questions for the council about the keeping of bees. The council will again review sample ordinances to come up with a plan that suits the city.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. by M/Sietsema 2/Baartman/cd.

Rochelle VanderWoude
Ruthton City Clerk/Treasurer