

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CROMWELL PAVILION
WEDNESDAY, October 17, 2018**

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Cromwell was held on October 17, 2018, at 6:00 PM at the Cromwell Park Pavilion.

The meeting was called to order at 6 PM by Mayor Sharon Zelazny.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Sharon Zelazny, Council Members Phil Lippo, Josh King-HagE, Artie Vigness. Absent: Ray Lally.

Mayor Zelazny welcomed all in attendance.

Others: Maintenance Superintendent -Tom Johnson, City Clerk – Nikkie Johnson, Liquor Store Manager – Krysta Konieska.

Motion by Vigness, seconded by King-HagE, to approve the agenda with the additions of: 7.3.a Debit card for Tom Johnson and 9.2 Canvass Election Results. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Vigness, seconded by King-HagE, to approve the consent agenda, which included the minutes from the September 19, 2018 regular Council Meeting, the November, 2018 Pavilion Calendar and scheduled events and the Northern Pine Rider's donation of \$1,000 for the Liquor Store surveillance cameras. Roll call vote: Yes: Lippo, King-HagE, Vigness, Zelazny: No: None. Motion carried.

Councilmember Lally arrived at 6:05 PM.

Motion by Lally, Seconded by Vigness, to accept the attached financial reports. Roll call vote: YES: Vigness, Lally, Lippo, King-HagE, Zelazny: NO: None. Motion carried.

The Council acknowledged a thank you note sent by the Cromwell Area Community Club for the 2018 Harvest Fest Donation, an abatement notice for 5651 Hwy 210 for failing to protect ground water and two Carlton County Public Hearing Notices to be held on October 16, 2018 at 7PM for Variance #318016 Wedlund, and Variance #318017 Nyberg.

Mayor Zelazny reported:

- Mayor Zelazny let the Council know that a previous employee that was discharged for alleged misappropriation of City funds was referred to the County Attorney for consideration of criminal charges. The individual qualified for pre-charge diversion given the fact that she had no prior criminal record.
- Mayor Zelazny provided an update on the League of Minnesota Cities meeting she attended on October 10, 2018 and shared there will be a conference in June.
- Mayor Zelazny provided an update on events scheduled to take place at City Hall and the Pavilion. She also reported on a collective effort with area organizations to pursue grants to update the Pavilion park. However the drainage issue needs to be addressed. She is working with City Engineer JPJ who provided a drainage plan. She is currently looking into grant funding options to cover engineering costs.
- The Restaurant Live Burn is scheduled to take place on October 20, 2018 and a back-up date is October 27, 2018 if it is too windy.
- Mayor Zelazny updated the Council on the City of Cromwell's request to change fiscal agents. She spoke with Gary Peterson and is hoping to move the request along.
- The Highway 210 Committee met October 8, 2018 and decided on lights and benches. MN Dot representatives will be at the November meeting to present an update.
- Mayor Zelazny reported she met with the Eilers Representative at the LMC Meeting on October 10, 2018 and discussed TIF and some of the options the City has for TIF funding.
- Mayor Zelazny reported that Air Fiber withdrew their request to put equipment on the water tower for internet service.
- Mayor Zelazny presented maps from Enbridge Representative Bruce Algren, showing the Line 3 route.

Maintenance Superintendent Tom Johnson reported:

- That his renewed MN Department of Health Water Operator Certificate is good until 2021.

- He will be attending an all-day Wastewater training in Kettle River on October 24, 2018.
- He gave an update on the portable toilets.
- There were some light poles that are not working so he marked them for Lake Country Power to service.
- A property owner who was required by the County to hook up his sewer has complied.
- JPJ, the City Engineer has been consulted regarding a plan for hooking up water at another property.
- Maintenance Superintendent Tom Johnson reported that he will fill in the ice-rink like he did last year when weather permits.
- Maintenance Superintendent Tom Johnson notified the Council that Cromwell Wright Fire Department and Lake Country Power will have to move the light pole closest to the former Country Inn on the day of the Live Burn and any costs would be incurred by the fire department. Consensus permission was granted by City Council.
- Maintenance Superintendent Tom Johnson informed the Council that Well #3 is turning on and off and it could possibly be a thermal switch or a bad pump. He is running diagnostics on it and will find the most cost effective solution to repair the problem.

Motion made by Vigness, Seconded Lally, to authorize a City debit card for Tom Johnson. Roll call vote: YES: Vigness, Lally, Lippo, King-HagE, Zelazny, NO: NONE: Motion carried.

Municipal Liquor Store Manager Konieska reported:

- The pull tab report for the month was presented.
- Two new bartenders, Johnston Westmoreland started on October 6, 2018 and Elizabeth Kabus started on October 8, 2018 and two new cleaners, Katie DeMenge and Julie Sullivan started on October 6, 2018.
- The Wounded Warriors United – Minnesota thanked the City of Cromwell and Krysta on their Facebook page for the recognition.

- The ice machine was repaired again.
- Liquor Store Manager Konieska reported the water at the Liquor store has not tasted the same since the tower was cleaned. Maintenance Superintendent Tom Johnson will install a filter to see if that will provide a solution.
- Liquor Store Manager Konieska reported she received a visit from the Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement and was advised that when the license is renewed this year, the license needs to be changed to MCMBS to signify that we are open on Sunday.
- She will be taking October 25 through October 29, 2018 off.

Joint Powers minutes were reviewed. Lally questioned their contacting the Attorney General. Mayor Zelazny will request further information.

JPJ Project Status Report

- Attend future meetings and assist the City.
- Working on developing costs for City Utility Replacement.
- Assist with funding.
- Attend Committee Meeting on October 8, 2018.

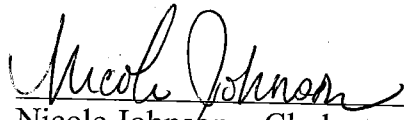
There was a discussion about moving the Regular Council Meeting in November because of the Thanksgiving Holiday but it was decided the date will remain November 21, 2018.

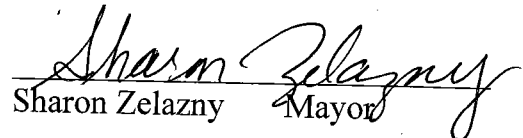
Motion made by Lally, Seconded by Vigness to adopt Resolution 18.17.10 – Resolution of the City of Cromwell Finding a Parcel to Be Occupied by a Structurally Substandard Building. Roll call vote: YES: Vigness, Lally, Lippo, King-HagE, Zelazny, NO: NONE: Motion carried.

Motion made by Vigness, Seconded by Lippo to set a special meeting on November 14, 2018 at 6 p.m. to canvass the election results. Roll call vote: YES: Vigness, Lally, Lippo, King-HagE, Zelazny, NO: NONE: Motion carried.

Motion by Lally, seconded by Lippo, to acknowledge and commend: The Cardinal Quilters for donating a new stove to the Pavilion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 PM.


Nicole Johnson Clerk


Sharon Zelazny Mayor