

ORR CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
October 10, 2017

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Orr City Council was held Tuesday, October 10, 2017, at the Orr City Hall.

Mayor Joel Astleford called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited:

Present:	Mayor	Joel Astleford
	Councilor	Tom Kennebeck
	Councilor	Lloyd Scott
	Councilor	Bruce Black
	Councilor	Ericka Cote

Also present: Clerk/Treasurer Cheri Carter; Maintenance Supervisor Paul Koch; Maintenance Assistant Rocky Hoffman; Ambulance Finance Officer Jim Gray; and Melissa Roach, *The Timberjay*.

Item E was added to the agenda: Approval of Labor Agreement between City of Orr and International Union of Operating Engineers Local No. 49.

Motion by Bruce Black, second by Lloyd Scott, to approve Consent Agenda consisting of Minutes of Regular Meeting of September 11, 2017; and expenditures in the amount of \$71,724.80. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Tom Kennebeck, second by Ericka Cote, to approve attendance of city staff for the following trainings: Paul and Rocky - MnDOT Aeronautics Fall Fly-Around for airport managers; Beth - Minnesota Clerks Region II Training, Asset Management and Your Utility; and Cheri – Minnesota Rural Water Association, Financing Your Community Projects. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Two quotes have been received to repair the asphalt on King Road: (1) Parrk Paving - \$5,530.00; and (2) C&C Winger - \$7,500.00. Motion by Bruce Black, second by Ericka Cote, to approve the quote from Parrk Paving in the amount of \$5,530.00. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Bruce Black, second by Tom Kennebeck, to have the City Clerk send notices to delinquent utility customers that unpaid charges will be assessed to county tax rolls on November 30, 2017. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Tom Kennebeck, second by Ericka Cote, to approve pre-application grant requests to the IRRRB and CDBG for sanitary sewer improvements to King Road. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Bruce Black, second by Lloyd Scott, to approve Labor Agreement between City of Orr and International Union of Operating Engineers Local No. 49 for January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2019. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Liquor Store: Liquor Store Manager Charles “Chet” Nieman was not present for meeting. Sales from this September were higher than sales from last September.

Water and Sewer: Maintenance Supervisor Paul Koch reported the generator for the water pump went out and had to be repaired. The transfer switch is not working. He is working with a local electrician to see if repair parts can be obtained. He may have to look into a call system. They will have to find a new location to apply biosolids next year. They will be working on flushing sewers and hydrants before the onset of cold weather.

Airport: Airport Manager Rocky Hoffman reported he has finished mowing for the season. They have been working on repairing and replacing bulbs for the runway lights. Fuel inventory as of September 30 was 2,114 gallons of 100LL and 1,049 gallons of Jet A.

Ambulance: Finance Director Jim Gray reported the new overhead doors have been installed and are in working order. The new radio system and tower has been installed and is a big improvement in communications. Jim noted there has been some minimal damage to the overhead doors. He has brought it to the attention of Township Supervisor Pete Glowaski. Cause is unknown and does not affect operation or safety of doors. From the 1st of the year through September 30th, the ambulance has responded to 127 calls. They have billed \$236,000 and received \$112,000 for services rendered as of 9/30/17. They have received approximately \$3,200 this year from St. Louis County for out-of-city runs. Transfers are up. They are planning on budgeting \$25,000 in capital improvements for 2018, which includes possibly purchasing another stair chair.

Fire Department: No report.

Library: No report – library is closed.

Tourist Information Center: Cheri Carter reported it has been busy with tourists looking for hiking trails and trail maps.

Comments from Council/Visitors: None.

Comments from Mayor: None.

Diana Klakoski, Ambulance Director, arrived at the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Mayor Astleford asked if there was anything she wished to discuss with the council or add to the ambulance report. She replied in the negative.

Motion by Bruce Black, second by Ericka Cote, to adjourn. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.
Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joel R. Astleford, Mayor

Cheri J. Carter, Clerk/Treasurer