City of Rogersville

211 E Center Street

Board of Aldermen Minutes

January 18, 2024

**Present: Mayor Jack Cole, Alderman Tim Clarkson**, **Alderman Kory Stucki, Alderman Lee, Attorney Jason Krebs, Administrator Chad Bybee**, **and City Clerk Glenda Stegner.**

**Alderman Janie Pyle was unable to attend.**

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Cole

**Motion to open meeting**: By Alderman Lee, seconded by Alderman Stucki, and passed by vote:

 Alderman Stucki- Aye

 Alderman Pyle absent

 Alderman Clarkson- Aye

 Alderman Lee- Aye

**Motion to approve minutes from January 4, 2024:** By Alderman Lee, seconded by Alderman Clarkson, and passed by vote:

 Alderman Stucki- Aye

 Alderman Pyle- absent

 Alderman Clarkson- Aye

 Alderman Lee- Aye

**Accounts Payable:**

**After careful consideration, questions, and review by the Board of Alderman**:

**Motion to approve GF accounts payable in the amount of $20,976.21 and WS accounts payable in the amount of $134605.01, and park for $365.22 totaling $155,946.44:**  By Alderman Stucki, seconded by Alderman Lee, and passed by vote:

Alderman Pyle- absent

 Alderman Stucki- Aye

Alderman Clarkson Aye

Alderman Lee- Aye

**Community Input:**

9 Present

Brad Anderson, 305 Jennifer

Mr. Anderson came before the board due to a dispute with his neighbor, Betty Goodwin. His claims there was theft, due to a chain link fence being removed between the property. He claims she has harassed them on parking, harassed their dogs, and watches them from her window. Brad states the other neighbors have had issues with her as well and he wants more done to stop her. Attorney Krebs told them the fence line and fence is a civil issue between property owners, and that the city can’t do anything. The harassment issue has been sent to the Webster County prosecutor.

**Guest Speaker**:

**Planning and Zoning:**

No meeting was held.

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**Administrator Update:**

1. A phase of the preliminary plat of Sawyer Creek second addition is set to build and only has one egress and ingress. Mooney Street will not hold up to the construction trucks going in and out but would be another access point for emergency vehicles. Administrator Bybee asked the board to consider using gravel to connect the phase of the subdivision but put in a gate and knox box to keep other traffic and construction equipment from going through.

**Motion to proceed with gravel, gate and knox box for an extra egress / ingress**: By Alderman Lee, seconded by Alderman Stucki and passed by vote:

Alderman Pyle- absent

 Alderman Stucki- Aye

Alderman Clarkson Aye

Alderman Lee- Aye

1. Administrator Bybee would also like to add to the code the preliminary plats need to show 2 ways to ingress / egress moving forward. The Board had a discussion over adding this to the code and decided to move forward with a public hearing to add phasing to the code in planning and zoning.

**Motion to have public hearing on phasing**: By Alderman Stucki, seconded by Alderman Clarkson and passed by vote:

Alderman Pyle- absent

 Alderman Stucki- Aye

Alderman Clarkson Aye

Alderman Lee- Aye

1. Splash pad bids came in high for the building, pad, install, and sidewalks.

Low bid was $461,000.00, High bid was $664,000.00.

1. Waiting on 2 easements on Maplewood and Dempsey Street. One of the easements, the property owner has passed away.
2. The sewer 3-month average has fallen during the extreme cold weather. The Board would like to use 3 months that don’t include the cold weather where people may have left their water dripping.
3. Jamestown is looking to start building soon. They have been working with DNR on the water line extension.
4. Chief Laughlin reports last years’ number of calls and citations. He also reported that the earlier neighbor issue of harassment has been filed with the prosecutor.

**Old Business:**

*Water Rate Study and Recommendations*

Since Alderman Pyle was unable to attend the meeting the Board tabled the discussion.

Motion to table water rate discussion until next meeting: By Alderman Lee, seconded by Alderman Stucki, and passed by vote:

Alderman Pyle- absent

 Alderman Stucki- Aye

Alderman Clarkson Aye

Alderman Lee- Aye

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**New Business:**

Police Cars

There are 2 older cruisers that are no longer in service for the police. The Administrator asked if we could take bids to sale the cars and replace them with a small truck to add to public works fleet with the funds. The Board asked the administrator to take the car to R & J to get bid on repairs and compare to bid we already received for repairs, then proceed if cost to repair is to high.

**Motion to adjourn**: By Alderman Lee, seconded by Alderman Clarkson and passed by vote:

 Alderman Pyle- absent

 Alderman Stucki- Aye

 Alderman Clarkson Aye

 Alderman Lee- Aye

The Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:55 p.m.

Minutes submitted by City Clerk, Glenda Stegner