

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
January 11, 2018

- Regular Meeting** A regular council meeting of the City of Ashby, MN was held at Ashby City Hall with the following members present: Tom Grover, Ronnie Jaenisch, Heather Rossum, Robert Grover and Wayne Stierlen. Absent: None. Also present: Clerk Schmitz, Superintendent Johnson, Attorney Walton, and Deputy Clerk Helle. Visitor's Present: Donna Jean Grover, Alden and Winnie Thompson. Mayor Grover called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
- Agenda Approval** Upon motion from R. Grover, seconded by Jaenisch and unanimously carried, the agenda was approved as presented.
- Visitors:**
Donna Jean Grover
– CVE Lots Donna Jean Grover informed the council that there is an interested party in purchasing a lot at Country View Estates with the desire to build a Shed-House. Attorney Walton stated that the plans for the requested residence should be submitted to the council for review.
- Minutes/Claims/
Consent Agenda** Upon motion from Jaenisch, seconded by Rossum and unanimously carried, council approved the consent agenda which includes minutes of the regular council meeting of December 14th, 2017, and the claims & prepaid disbursements of January 11th, 2018 as presented.
- 2018 Council
Meeting Date/Time** Upon motion from R. Grover, seconded by Jaenisch and unanimously carried, council approved to set the 2018 council meeting date and time for the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm at Ashby City Hall.
- 2018 Appointments** Upon motion by Jaenisch, seconded by Stierlen and unanimously carried, council approved to appoint Richard Walton as the City Attorney and Justin Anderson as the Assistant City Attorney for 2018.
- Upon motion by Jaenisch, seconded by R. Grover and unanimously carried, council approved to appoint the city's Official Depositories for 2018 as First State Bank, 4M Funds and Mid-Minnesota Federal Credit Union.
- Upon motion by Jaenisch, seconded by Rossum and unanimously carried, council approved to appoint the Ashby/Dalton Post as the Official Newspaper for 2018.
- Upon motion by Jaenisch, seconded by Rossum and unanimously carried, council approved to approve the Official City Web-Site as www.ashbbyminnesota.org for 2018.
- 2018 Commissions** Upon motion by R. Grover, seconded by Rossum and unanimously carried, council approved the Commissions/Committee Appointments for 2018 as presented.
- Council Report** Council discussed the issue with people parking on the bump outs. The snow does make it difficult to see where the bump outs are. The Sheriff's Department is currently giving warnings. R. Grover will talk with the Sheriff's Department and report back.
- Clerk's Report** The clerk's report was reviewed. Schmitz reported that CarlsonSV will be on-site February 12-14 for the City's annual audit.
- Public Safety -
Law Enforcement
Report** Council reviewed the log report as presented by the Sheriff's Department. Request was received from Sheriff Langlie to have two members from the City of Ashby serve on the Grant County Public Safety Committee. After discussion it was decided that Tom Grover and Wayne Stierlen will serve on the committee with the first meeting being held in February.
- Fire Department** The Fire Department Report for December was reviewed.
- Fire Department
Officer Approval
2018** Upon motion by R. Grover, seconded by Jaenisch and unanimously carried, council approved all officers and committee's for the Fire Department as presented.

New FD Members

Upon motion by Jaenisch, seconded by Rossum and unanimously carried, council approved to add Kyle Rylander and Chris Rylander as members of the Fire Department as recommended by the Fire Department and upon passing the background check.

Arrow EMS Report

Ben Johnson, Arrow EMS Instructor reported that Arrow EMS currently has 8 students in the initial EMT class. The new technology updates will be installed in the next week. This will provide the capabilities of creating online education for individuals who are not always able to attend the on-site trainings. There have been requests for Arrow EMS to provide CPR and AED training throughout the community.

Public Works Report

Superintendent Johnson reported that the aerators are working at the ponds. Public Works is currently working on regular maintenance in the water plant and snow removal as needed.

**Old Business –
Board of Appeals
Training**

Rossum, Stierlen and T. Grover have all registered to take the Board of Appeals and Equalization training on-line but are having problems with the program launching.

**New Business-
Pet License Fee**

There was discussion regarding if the city should continue to require a pet license for pet's in town. There are many unlicensed pets in the community. No action was taken to change the current policy. Notices will be posted reminding residents of the Ordinance requiring that all pets are licensed in the city.

**2018 Solid Waste
Budget**

The Grant County 2018 Preliminary Solid Waste Budget was reviewed.

Legion Sign

The Legion would like to put an electronic sign on the light pole of Larson/Main. It would be an electric scrolling sign. The Legion will be looking for businesses who are interested in having their special events and information placed on the sign and who would be willing to contribute financially to the purchase of the equipment.

Upon motion by Jaenisch, seconded by R. Grover and unanimously carried, council approved to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 pm.

ATTEST: _____
Jackie Schmitz, City Clerk

Tom Grover, Mayor