

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
November 8, 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, Heather Rossum, Ronnie Jaenisch, Wayne Stierlen and Robert Grover Absent: None. Also present: Clerk Schmitz, Superintendent Johnson, Attorney Walton and Deputy Clerk Helle. Absent: None. Visitor's Present: Dustin Steenblock, Carol Koefod, Judy Stierlen, Tim Carlson (TFC Poultry Representative), Alden & Winnie Thompson. Mayor Grover called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
- Agenda Approval** Upon motion from Jaenisch, seconded by R. Grover, and unanimously carried, the agenda was approved as presented.
- Visitors:**
Dustin Steenblock - Location of High Tunnel Dustin Steenblock, Ag Teacher for Ashby Public Schools was present to discuss the relocation of the High Tunnel that houses the school garden. The high tunnel is not able to stay on the current property. Steenblock asked the council if there were any other city locations that could be a possibility to move the high tunnel too and also potentially a Greenhouse. Council instructed Steenblock to meet with Superintendent Johnson to discuss the possibility of moving the high tunnel to Memorial Park.
- Carol Koefod – Air Quality Concerns** Carol Koefod and Judy Stierlen were present to discuss air quality concerns in Ashby that come from TFC Poultry. Tim Carlson was present to represent TFC Poultry and discussion took place regarding the recently installed Wastewater Treatment System. TFC is working on discovering the exact cause of the increased odor. The Public Works Committee met with TFC Poultry and WSN Engineer Larry VanHout on October 30th to discuss the odor problems. TFC Poultry provided the council with actions taken to help diffuse the odor problem. Council recommended that a Special Meeting be held with TFC Poultry to allow public comment and discussion with the industry itself and get their questions answered.
- Minutes/Claims/Consent Agenda** Upon motion from R. Grover, seconded by Stierlen and unanimously carried, council approved the consent agenda which includes minutes of the regular council meeting of October 11th, 2018, and the claims and prepaid disbursements of November 8th, 2018 as presented and reviewed by Council Member Stierlen.
- Mayor Report** Mayor Grover reported that he hosted the Regional Mayor's Meeting in Ashby.
- Gambling Permit Pull Tabs – Club 74** Upon motion by Jaenisch, seconded by R. Grover and unanimously carried, council approved the Lawful Gambling Permit for Club 74, allowing pull tabs at the establishment under the licensing of American Legion Post 357.
- New Business Utility Waiver Request** Upon motion from Jaenisch, seconded by R. Grover and unanimously carried, council approved a utility waiver request from Joanne Johnson, the new owner of Ashby City Restaurant/Club 74. The waiver will be up to \$200 per month for water and sewer charges for one year. All refuse, storm sewer and additional water and sewer charges are the responsibility of the property owner.
- Council Report** Council Members Jaenisch and R. Grover discussed the Public Works Committee Meeting that took place with TFC Poultry and Engineer VanHoute on October 30th. The Pre-Treatment Agreement is expected to be agreed upon and signed by the end of 2018. The existing fines were discussed in detail with the industry being instructed to present a payment plan to the council.
- Clerk's Report** The clerk's report was reviewed.
- Safety - Law Enforcement Report** Council reviewed the log report as presented by the Sheriff's Department.

Grant County Law Enforcement Agreement

Upon motion from Jaenisch, seconded by R. Grover and unanimously carried, council approved the Law Enforcement Agreement with Grant County for 2019 – 2021.

Approval: Add funds to dormant Fire Truck Fund Account

Upon motion from R. Grover, seconded by Jaenisch and unanimously carried, council approved to add \$500 to the dormant Fire Truck Fund Savings Account with First State Bank of Ashby.

Public Works

The work order report was reviewed. Superintendent Johnson reported that the fall discharge is complete and the test results look good. Johnson also reported on the Public Works meeting with TFC Poultry. TFC reported to the committee that there are new covers that will be put on the tanks inside the new building, fans will be turned down and filters will be checked in order to resolve the odor complaint issues.

New Business Resolution 2018-17 – Accepting Donations

Upon motion from Rossum, seconded by Stierlen - **Resolution 2018-17 Resolution Accepting Donations.** Roll Call Vote, those voting for: R. Grover, Jaenisch, Rossum, Stierlen, T. Grover. Those voting against: None. Carried

Resolution 2018-18 – Approving 2019 Liquor Licenses

Upon motion from Jaenisch, seconded by Rossum - **Resolution 2018-18 Resolution Approving 2019 Liquor Licenses.** Roll Call Vote, those voting for: R. Grover, Jaenisch, T. Grover, Rossum, Stierlen. Those voting against: None. Carried

Set Election Canvassing Date/Time

Upon motion from Rossum, seconded by Jaenisch and unanimously carried, council approved to meet on Tuesday November 13th at 9:00 am at Ashby City Hall as the canvassing board to canvass the election results from the November 6, 2018 General Election.

Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned.

ATTEST: _____
Jackie Schmitz, City Clerk

Tom Grover, Mayor