

**MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**March 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, Ronnie Jaenisch, and Robert Grover. Absent: Heather Rossum and Wayne Stierlen. Also present: Attorney Walton and Clerk Schmitz. Other's present: Alden and Winnie Thompson, Rebecca Froemming – Bright Beginnings Daycare, Trent and Darrin Froemming – TFC Poultry. 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:  
Rebecca Froemming  
– Bright Beginnings  
Daycare**

Rebecca Froemming was present to inform the council that she has been operating Bright Beginnings Daycare in Ashby since September. Froemming inquired if the council would consider a waiver of water and sewer fees for New Businesses. Upon motion by Jaenisch, seconded by R. Grover and unanimously carried, the council approved a waiver of water and sewer up to \$200 per month for 12 months beginning with the March billing. This is the same practice that has been approved for other new businesses when they have approached the council with the same request.

**TFC Poultry – Darrin  
& Trent Froemming**

Darrin and Trent Froemming were present to provide an update of the Pretreatment project that addresses the wastewater at TFC Poultry. The aerators were installed at the ponds December, 2017. The aerators have been working and helping with the issues. Trent reported that they have been monitoring the aerators and most recently did open up the ice a little bit to keep the water moving to increase the success of the work the aerators are intended for. The project timeline was reviewed. TFC Poultry will be meeting with Wexco within a week regarding the design of the final project. A Public Works meeting will be requested by the end of March to go over the quote and final project plan by Wexco. The results of the Public Works meeting will be discussed at the April City Council Meeting.

**Minutes/Claims/  
Consent Agenda**

Upon motion from R. Grover, seconded by Jaenisch and unanimously carried, council approved the consent agenda which includes minutes of the regular council meeting of February 8, 2018 and the claims & prepaid disbursements of March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 as presented and reviewed by R. Grover.

**Clerk's Report**

The clerk's report was reviewed.

**Public Safety -  
Law Enforcement  
Report**

Council reviewed the log report as presented by the Sheriff's Department.

Mayor Grover reported that him and Stierlen recently attended the Grant County Law Enforcement Committee meeting. The upcoming contract renewals will reflect a 3% increase in contract cost. Sheriff Langlie had made the council aware that this would most likely be the case when the city signed the original contract. Sheriff Langlie discussed that Unsightly Premises within the contracted cities in the county are best handled through the criminal process. Also, the GPS for 911 on all homes and lots in Ashby must have a house number. The City is currently the governing body responsible to ensure this is taken care of. Grant County Attorney, Justin Anderson will be drafting a document that will allow the city to sign off on the responsibility of providing house numbers and turn the responsibility over to Grant County.

**Approval – Squad  
Equipment  
Purchase  
Agreement**

Upon motion from Jaenisch, seconded by R. Grover and unanimously carried, council accepted the offer of \$3,708.38 by the Grant County Sheriff's Department to purchase equipment from the squad car and to have the Sheriff's Department pay for the re-decal of the squad once the department is finished leasing the car. The funds for the equipment will be put into the Capital Improvement Fund for future Street Projects.

**Public Works**

The work order report was reviewed.

**Old Business  
Unpaid utilities at  
407 Larson**

Council discussed the utility bill for unpaid utilities at 407 Larson Avenue from a past owner. Attorney Walton will send a notice to the responsible party and inform them that the city will seek action against the party in court to garnish wages.

**New Business  
Approval –  
Ambulance CD’s  
with MidMinnesota  
Credit Union**

Council received a request from the Ashby Ambulance Department to close out the CD’s held at MidMinnesota Credit Union and move them to First State Bank in Ashby. Upon motion from R. Grover, seconded by Jaenisch and unanimously carried, council approved the request by the Ambulance Department to have the CD’s for the Ashby Ambulance Department closed out of MidMinnesota Credit Union upon their maturity and moved to First State Bank in Ashby.

**Approval – Grant  
County Humane  
Society 2018-2019  
Contract**

Upon motion from Jaenisch, seconded by R. Grover and unanimously carried, the council approved the 2018-2019 Contract with the Grant County Humane Society.

**2018 Final Solid  
Waste Budget**

The 2018 Final Grant County Solid Waste Budget was reviewed by the council.

**Adjourn**

Upon motion by Jaenisch, seconded by R. Grover and unanimously carried, council approved to adjourn the meeting.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jackie Schmitz, City Clerk

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Tom Grover, Mayor