

**MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**July 9, 2020**

<b>Regular Meeting</b>	A regular council meeting of the City of Ashby, MN was held at Ashby City Hall with the following members present: Jeremy Obright, Carrie Obright, Tom Grover, Heather Rossum, Wayne Stierlen. Absent: None. Also present: Clerk Schmitz and Deputy Clerk Helle. Absent: Superintendent Johnson. Visitor's Present: Dean Birkland – Carlson SV, Sheriff Mark Haberer. Mayor Grover called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.
<b>Agenda Approval</b>	Upon motion from Stierlen, seconded by C. Obright, and unanimously carried, the agenda was approved with additions of re-platting Country View Estates and the possibility of adding a second emergency siren on the south end of town.
<b>Visitors: Dean Birkland – Carlson SV 2019 Audit Review</b>	Dean Birkland of Carlson SV was present to discuss the 2019 Completed Audit Report with the council. The audit received a clean opinion. Upon motion from J. Obright, seconded by Rossum and unanimously carried, council approved the final 2019 audit report.
<b>Minutes/Claims/Consent Agenda</b>	Upon motion from Stierlen, seconded by J. Obright and unanimously carried, council approved the consent agenda which includes minutes of the regular council meeting of June 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2020 and the claims and prepaid disbursements of July 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2020 as presented and reviewed by Councilmember J. Obright.
<b>Public Safety - Law Enforcement Report</b>	Council reviewed the log report as presented by the Sheriff's Department
<b>Sheriff Mark Haberer – Public Nuisance Ordinance</b>	Sheriff Haberer was present to discuss Public Nuisances in the Cities of Grant County. Sheriff Haberer is working with Attorney Justin Anderson to look at updating Public Nuisance Ordinances County wide. Haberer would like to see a county wide Pubic Nuisance system to be adopted by the Cities of Grant County. No action is being taken at present.
<b>Fire/Ambulance Report</b>	The Ambulance and Fire Report was reviewed as presented.
<b>Storm Siren – South Side of Town</b>	Council discussed looking into the possibility of a second siren for the south side of Ashby. Mayor Grover and Council Member J. Obright will start researching types of sirens and cost for an additional siren.
<b>Mayor's Report- August Meeting Change</b>	Upon motion from Stierlen, seconded by C. Obright and unanimously carried, council approved to change the August Regular City Council Meeting to Thursday, August 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2020 at 5:30 pm.
<b>Verizon Cell Phone Tower</b>	Verizon would like to put up a cell tower on property owned by Johnson-Nelson Masonry. Clerk Schmitz is communicating with the Grant County Zoning Manager to gather information. The subject was tabled until more information is obtained. The city currently does not have anything within City Ordinance that prohibits a cell tower in the city limits.
<b>Council Reports - Appreciation Days Movie Sponsorship/ Equipment Use</b>	Upon motion from J. Obright, seconded by Stierlen and unanimously carried, council approved to donate \$225 towards movie sponsorship for Appreciation Days and for use of the movie equipment contingent upon the movie being shown.
<b>Clerk's Report</b>	The clerk's report was reviewed.
<b>Pelican Lake Township Billing</b>	Council agreed to bill the township the same amount of \$1,000 as in the past for maintenance of the City-Owned Brush Site.
<b>COVID Relief Funds</b>	Council agreed to certify the monies that the state is offering as a result of the CARES Act that is being sent to the cities to assist with COVID Relief Efforts. If the monies aren't spent by November 15 <sup>th</sup> they will be returned.

**Public Works**

The Public Works report was reviewed.

**Old Business:  
Conversion to LED  
Lighting Bid  
Approval**

Upon motion from J. Obright, seconded by C. Obright and unanimously carried, council approved the bid proposal from Driggin's Electric to convert the Water Plant and City Hall to LED Lighting with the Otter Tail Power rebate.

**New Business  
Resolution 2020-08  
Classification of Tax  
Forfeit Property**

Upon motion from C. Obright, seconded by Rossum - **Resolution 2020-08 Resolution Authorizing Approval of Classification of Tax Forfeit Property.** Roll Call Vote, those voting for: J. Obright, C. Obright, Grover, Rossum, Stierlen. Those voting against: None. Carried

**Resolution 2020-09  
Public Sale of Tax  
Forfeit Property**

Upon motion from J. Obright, seconded by C. Obright - **Resolution 2020-09 Resolution Authorizing Approval of Public Sale of Tax Forfeit Property.** Roll Call Vote, those voting for: J. Obright, C. Obright, Grover, Rossum, Stierlen. Those voting against: None. Carried

**Resolution 2020-10  
Certify Delinquent  
Utilities**

Upon motion from C. Obright, seconded by J. Obright - **Resolution 2020-10 Resolution Certifying Delinquent Utilities to Property Taxes.** Roll Call Vote, those voting for: J. Obright, C. Obright, Grover, Rossum, Stierlen. Those voting against: None. Carried

**Summer Rec  
Donation**

Upon motion from J. Obright, seconded by Rossum and unanimously carried, council approved to donate \$500 towards the Ashby Summer Rec Program.

**Adjourn**

Upon motion by J. Obright, seconded by Rossum and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

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

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Tom Grover, Mayor