**Council Meeting** 01/02/2024

Minutes taken by Autumn Shreve, City Clerk

**Meeting**: Time: 7:00 pm Presiding officer: Mayor John Ryan/Anthony DaPrato

Council present: Shreve, Moore, Ball, Seals, Lister

Atty Vignery: present

Employees: D. Bretsnyder, S. Seals, A. Shreve

Visitors: per registry

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order @ 7:00pm by Mayor John Ryan.

**Reading of Minutes**

The minutes for the council meeting on 12/20/2023 were read for council approval.

➰ Motion by Seals, 2nd by Lister to accept minutes with corrections, motion carried.

**Oath of Office**

Oath for new mayor and council members were administered by Former Mayor John Ryan.

The new Mayor and council members took their place on the council.

**Council President appointment**

Moore and Lister nominated Kevin Seals for Council President.

Ball nominated Chad Moore for council president due to the concern about Seals family members being employees.

Shreve nominated Moore as well.

Mayor called for raise hands for vote. Lister, Seals and Moore vote for Kevin Seals. Ball and Shreve for Chad Moore for Council President. Mayor announced Kevin Seals will be council president.

**Police Department**

Chief Seals asked the council about posting an ad for the open police officer position.

She informed the council that she was interested in having a couple part time certified officers maybe in place of a full-time officer.

The council asked questions about the benefits of having part-time officers and asked about what surrounding cities do.

Moore suggested that Shannon take on the preliminary interviews and find some that she thinks will be good candidates then bring them to the council, so they are not just interviewing people.

They stated that she knows what is best for her department.

**Maintenance**

Dustin was present for maintenance.

The Schulte 360 water program renewal was presented to the council. Motion by Seals to renew the Schulte 360 water program for $1211.97 for 2024, 2nd by Shreve, Motion carried.

**502 N 4th St.**

Attorney Vignery spoke to the council on the current status of 502 N 4th St. She would like approval to proceed with the dangerous structure process to allow the police department access to secure the house. The council was informed of multiple issues with the property.

The council would like Tonya to proceed with the process and a resolution will be presented at the next council meeting.

**Other Business**

Seals spoke about a response on Facebook regarding the mailing of the bills stating that he thought it was snarky and that we need to be careful about how it is worded.

He also mentioned how he did not like that the website and Facebook posts were all different. He stated that he likes everything to be uniform. The Clerk asked if they are wanting Ashley to do all of the posting as she is the one who creates the posts and images.

Seals asked the council for their opinion on disposing of some old computers and servers from the police department. Seals and Chief informed the council on what happens to those devices when taken to Asset Management with the state. There was a question on the number of PC they would dispose of.

The city clerk requested time to check the city policy for equipment disposal.

Motion to approve all paid bills by Lister, 2nd by Shreve, motion carried.

Motion to adjourn at 8:04pm by Lister, 2nd by Shreve, motion carried.