

February 6, 2023

The regular meeting of the city council was called to order by Mayor Dave Witucki. Council members present were Tom Boeck, KC Reuter, Gina Massop and Tiffany Sevcik. Also present were Don Wolters, Manuel Sanders, Patty Smith, Tamara Dicks-Maple River Messenger and Maria McCarty-SEH.

Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Swearing in of Elected Official: Witucki swore in re-elected council person Gina Massop.

Minutes: A motion was made by Boeck and 2nd by Reuter to approve the minutes from the January 3, 2023, meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Bills: A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by Massop to approve the bills.

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Smith had one additional bill from Westrum Leak Detection for \$890.00. Motion carried unanimously.

RO UPDATE: Maria McCarty with SEH reported to the council that painting will continue. The 5 horse pumps for the RO system are on site and plumbers are working on connecting them to the water tower. The doors into the library are in and the area around it will still need to be finished. A pay application for \$109,658.50 was presented to council. A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by Sevcik to approve pay application 22-830-00010 for \$109,658.50. Motion carried unanimously. The change order 8 is a credit for \$9103.50 for removing the work on furnishing and installing sealer on the concrete floors. The city will complete this work. A motion was made by Boeck and 2nd by Massop to approve the change order. Motion carried unanimously. This change order does not apply to the 80/20 split as we are already over our amount; it just saves the city money on the amount that we are over the project's costs. The start up of the RO system is set for 30 days before we switch over to it. The contractor has asked if all goes well in the first couple of weeks, could we start the switch over sooner. The council will wait and see how it goes before making any decisions on a shorter start up for RO system. Council reviewed the new construction timeline. The RO system should be online April 10 – May 5. The Department of Health will not be taking any samples during our RO system start up. The new wall in the library will be flush with the existing walls. No other questions for Maria and she left the meeting.

Reports: Reports were received from public works, police and fire departments. Witucki asked Wolters about the water testing being done. Manganese, fluoride and chlorine test are being done every other day. Wolters is doing a great job. There is a lot of information to learn and will continue to add more duties to his list. There will be a maintenance schedule for the valves in town, so we know which ones need repair. I & I need to be looked at again. The city had televised sewer lines 2017 – 2020 and did repairs. Smith will have estimates for council at a future meeting. Wolters will have to look at the areas where water main repairs have been done this winter to see if more fill is needed before we have the asphalt repaired. The red tractor is inside shop again. The large pile of snow on edge of South Street and 1st Avenue needs to be moved farther west onto school property, should use red tractor or payloador to have this done before the melting snow causes an issue for the storage units nearby. Manuel Sanders is the new Amboy Fire Chief. The fire department is currently fully staffed. There may be a few that will retire this year. You can retire with full pension benefits once you have 20 years and/or 50 years old. Sanders asked Wolters about what could be done if there was a large hog barn fire

in the area to make sure we could supply water quickly. Wolters said the wells could be put on manual to run if more water is needed. A large fire would need aid from other cities and may have to use more water sources. Council thanked Sanders for coming and congratulated him on his new position.

South Street Project: To move forward with South Street connection across the school property, the city needs to obtain property from Kevin's Repair. This resolution is for a land trade as they will give the city property on east side of South Street and we will trade them for property behind their shop on the school property. A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by Boeck to approve Resolution 2023 – 1 Conveyance of Real Property Owned by the City of Amboy. Motion carried unanimously.

Nite to Unite: A request was made to have extra police officers at the annual Nite to Unite to be held on August 1, 2023. A motion was made by Boeck and 2nd by Massop to approve additional officers time, approximately an extra 2 hours for 2 officers on August 1, 2023 at Nite to Unite. Motion carried unanimously.

Open Comment: None tonight

Miscellaneous: Fire Department meeting with townships is on February 21, not February 15 as stated on the agenda.

A motion was made by Massop and 2nd by Sevcik to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Dave Witucki, Mayor

Council

ATTEST:

Patty Smith, Administrator, Clerk-Treasurer