

Truth in Taxation meeting was called to order by Mayor Robert Heid at 6:45 p.m. no one was present to speak regarding the proposed Levy for 2018. Motion by Wieshalla, second by Iten to close the Truth in Taxation meeting at 6:55 p.m. CU

The monthly Browerville City Council Meeting for December met at City Hall on December 13, 2017 and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Members Heid, Iten, Wieshalla, Fenner and Santer were present. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda:

- A) Approval of Minutes of the November 8, 2017 meeting
- B) Payment of Claims in the amount of: \$800,996.76
- C) Building Permits:

Motion by Wieshalla second by Fenner to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. CU

Department Reports:

Liquor Store: Angie Benning was present to update the Council. November was a profitable month for the Liquor Store. The bar will not be open on December 24th this year as it falls on a Sunday.

Public Works: Chuck Buhl was present at the meeting to update the Council. The new snow truck is now working properly. There were issues with the hydraulic pump for the box lift. Buhl talked to the contractor who built and installed the box and got the City a \$600.00 refund. The tractor is due for replacement in early 2018. Buhl provided quotes from Midwest Machinery in both Sauk Centre and Little Falls. The quotes were: Sauk Centre - \$32,500 Little Falls - \$31,500. Motion by Iten, second by Fenner to accept the quote from Little Falls Midwest Machinery for \$31,500.00. CU

Buhl also discussed with the Council the need to repair, clean and re-coat the water tower. It has been 20 years since the tower was built and it was some rust and dents that need repair. A three-year service contract quote from Maguire Iron, original builder of the tower, was reviewed. The contractor will provide all materials, an extended 2-year warranty and engineering services as well as providing a mixer that will be installed inside the tower at no charge. The total cost of the three-year contract is \$176,000.00. Motion by Wieshalla, second by Iten to approve the contract. CU

There was a sewer backup on 4th Street W. that appears to have been caused when a large rock fell through a void, created by slow leakage, onto a joint in the sewer main. Staff are working with the adjacent property owner.

Ambulance: Staff will begin the process of preparing specs for a replacement ambulance after the first of the new year. The current ambulance is a 2013 model and is due for replacement.

Motion by Wieshalla second by Fenner to approve Department Reports. CU

Other Business:

LMNC – Liability Coverage Waiver – motion by Wieshalla, second by Iten to not waive the monetary limits on our tort liability. CU

2018 Levy Resolution – Motion by Wieshalla, second by Iten to approve the levy for 2018 at \$198,904.70, a two percent increase due to inflation. CU

Resolution 12132017A – designating Browerville City Hall, 544 Main Street, as the City’s polling location for elections held in 2018. CU

Liquor Licenses – motion by Iten, second by Santer to approve the following beer and liquor licenses for 2018. CU

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| Browerville Vets Club | Sunday Liquor |
| Browerville Vets Club | Club Liquor |
| Casey’s General Store | 3.2 Beer |

Tobacco Licenses – motion by Wieshalla, second by Iten to approve the following tobacco licenses for 2018. CU

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| Browerville Liquor | Steve’s Country Foods |
| Casey’s General Store | Dollar General |

2017 Audit – motion by Wieshalla, second by Fenner to approve the contract proposal from Brian Koehn, CPA for audit services for the 2017 Audit in the amount of \$8,000. CU

Resolution 12132017 Accepting Donations for 2017 – motion by Wieshalla, second by Iten to approve the resolution. CU

Community Center carpeting – Council heard that there was a substantial price difference between Hennen’s Flooring and the Browerville Hardware. Council asked that a firm bid be solicited from the Hardware Store as it was somewhat ambiguous.

Safety Training – Council heard that Elite Environmental Services LLC has offered a contract to provide annual safety training and policies for the City in the amount of \$1,100 for the first year and \$1,000 per year after the initial year. Council took no action at the time of the meeting referring it to the January meeting.

Dialogue Items:

Council member Santer informed the Council that Panther Distilleries has started warehousing stock at the old Land O Lakes facility. Santer suggested renaming Creamery Ave. as Bourbon Street in honor of Panther.

Adjournment: Motion by Wieshalla second by Iten to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Lynn Fabro
City Administrator

Bob Heid
Mayor