

The City of New Boston met in regular session January 28, 2015. Mayor DeFrieze called the meeting to order at 7:00pm at City Hall. Aldermen present were Russell, Franklin, and Marston. Police Chief/Maintenance Mike DeFrieze attended also. Attendees for the meeting were Greg Parrish, Cory Cox, Mr. Cox, Kasandra DeFrieze, Steve Haring and Josh Eagle. Absent from the meeting were Ramer, Fourdyce, and Krengle. Minutes were taken by Clerk Bedford.

Marston made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Russell. All aye votes, motion carried.

Russell made the motion to approve the bills, seconded by Franklin. Roll call votes as follows: Russell-aye, Franklin-aye, Marston-aye, and Mayor DeFrieze-aye (to make the quorum.) Motion carried.

Police Chief/Maintenance Mike DeFrieze reported they are still waiting on the new lift pump. The cost to install it is \$683.00. He and Dan have hauled 95 tons of salt from Cargill at Buffalo, IA costing the city only the fuel and wages to haul it.

Mayor DeFrieze told the Council the OSLAD Grant has been put on hold by the State of Illinois until about July. He (Mayor) will send in the paper work due to the State by February 13, 2015. Mayor said all aspects of the grant are on hold and the State sent a letter saying no projects concerning the grant can be started. The Mayor had been previously told to start the archeological inspection of the site.

Kasandra DeFrieze gave a Power Point demonstration of the new website for the City. The report was very professional and informative.

Boy Scout Cory Cox gave a presentation to the council in regard to a project he wants to perform for the City to earn his Eagle Scout award. He proposes to build benches from cedar wood to place along Main Street, at the Riverfront and in the Sturgeon Bay Campground area along the future hiking trail. The benches will cost about \$150.00 each. Marston made the motion to have Cory build the benches, seconded by Franklin. Roll call votes as follows: Marston-aye, Franklin-aye, Russell-aye, and Mayor DeFrieze-aye (to make the quorum.) Motion carried. Mayor DeFrieze will give let Cory know how many benches the City will need at a later date.

Steve Haring reported the second mailing of the survey for low income counts within the city limits did not provide the percentage needed to send the results to the state. The City will need 75% of the residents to fill out the form and return it to MSA. At this date we only have 45% participation so the next step will be the door to door survey of the people who have not sent back their forms.

Mayor DeFrieze commended Cindy Marston for the good job she is doing updating the Cemetery data.

The City received a call from an outside source stating Blackhawk was not a tribal chief, but was a war chief. The Essley-Nobel Museum in Aledo will send some information that will help with the correct title of Blackhawk.

Marston made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Russell. All aye votes, motion carried.

Karen L. Bedford, Clerk

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