

The Seymour Board of Aldermen met for a regular meeting at 6:00 pm on Thursday, March 11, 2021 in the Seymour City Hall Board Room, 123 West Market Street.

At 6:00 p.m. Mayor Richard Vinson called the meeting to order.

Roll call: Jim Ashley, William Pogue, Nadine Crisp, Dan Wehmer. It is determined there is a quorum.

Also, present was City Administrator Hillary Gintz, Police Corporal Gabe Stroud, Community Development Terry Penner, City Clerk Leslie Houk.

Old Business

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Pogue/Ashley to approve the minutes. Ayes: all. Nays: none.

New Business

Approval of Bills

A motion was made by Crisp/Wehmer to approve the bills. Ayes: all. Nays: none.

Citizen Comments

Wendy Pierson with Seymour Community Development Association was approached this week about filling the concrete baskets with flowers this year. The Board agreed for SCDA to plant flowers in the concrete baskets and at the memorial triangle. SCDA will turn in their receipts for reimbursement and the city will keep the flowers watered.

Lions Club-Circus

The Lions Club is sponsoring the Circus scheduled for June 6th. July 24th the Lions Club would like to have their 80th anniversary on the square. The Lions Club would like to do Trunk or Treat October 30th on the square. A motion was made by Wehmer/Crisp to approve all three events. Ayes: all. Nays: none.

Seymour Community Library Discussion

City Administrator Hillary Gintz has been in contact with the State Library Director. Seymour Community Library is funded by a Tax Levy and by the City of Seymour. By State Statute this makes Seymour Library ran by a Governing Board. The Governing Board is a nine-member board of Seymour residents that live inside city limits. The Mayor appoints the Seymour Community Library Board, and the Board of Aldermen approve the appointments. The Library Board is responsible for the oversight of the Library. Setting hours, hiring Library staff, Library's budget. Since some of the Library Board members live outside Seymour city limits. Mayor Richard Vinson appointed Beth Porter, Jennifer Pogue, and Elisha Hastings. A motion was made by Wehmer/Ashley to approve Mayor Vinson's appointments. Ayes: all. Nays: none.

Abstain: Alderman Pogue because Jennifer Pogue is his spouse. Alderman Dan Wehmer said by State Statue Board Members cannot be related. Chris Hume is on the Library Board who is Library employee Joy Hume's son. Mayor Richard Vinson appointed Janet Mitchell to fill Chris Hume's seat. A motion was made by Wehmer/Ashley to approve Mayor Vinson's appointment. Ayes: all. Nays: none.

Cemetery Mowing Bid Opening

Four bids were received. Lansdown Mowing for 780.00 per mowing. Phil's Lawncare 700.00 per mowing. Miller Lawn Service 1250.00 per mowing. Full Property Maintenance LLC 1005.00 per mowing. A motion was made by Wehmer/Ashley to approve Full Property Maintenance, LLC's bid. Ayes: all. Nays: none.

Community Development Report

See handout.

Supervisor Report

See report.

The Sewer Department fixed sewer pipe on Cordie. The service goes another 50 feet North on the city's right away. The Sewer Department would like approval to replace this section of pipe. A motion was made by Pogue/Crisp to approve fixing the pipe. Ayes: all. Nays: none.

Police Report

See report.

City Administrator Report-Hillary Gintz

City Administrator Hillary Gintz spoke with Ken at DNR in regard to Frances Street. DNR submitted an administrative order to Hot Spot. Administrator Gintz misunderstood the Seymour Alumni Association's request. They are wanting to shut down the square for their one-day event. A motion was made by Wehmer/Ashley to allow the Seymour Alumni to close down the square with contingency that the Farmer's Market sets up in their normal place. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Webster County Clerk Stan Whitehurst cannot certify the election results until the Friday after the election. The Board agreed to move the first meeting in April to April 1. 445 AMI meters have been installed. The new picnic tables are at the park. The matting under the playground equipment will happen in May. Tammy Haney is not on Board removing the pole at the drive thru. Administrator Gintz and Tammy are trying to come up with a compromise.

Mayor's Report-Richard Vinson

Mayor Richard Vinson asked if Spring Cleanup is scheduled for the first weekend in May. Yes, it is.

Aldermen Report

Alderman Dan Wehmer said there is a motor home on W. Washington by the railroad tracks. It looks unbelievably ratty. City Administrator Hillary Gintz is aware of it. City Attorney Jason Macpherson sent a letter to them citing the ordinance violation. Administrator Gintz said Attorney Macpherson recommended an ordinance be drafted that address's no living in RV's allowed. The drafted ordinance will be ready for the next meeting to look at.

Alderwoman Nadine Crisp asked Alderman Dan Wehmer about the Plaque for the COVID testing building. Pioneer Drive has one place that could use some attention.

Alderman William Pogue asked if the water leak repair in front of Family Dollar could get filled with cold patch. City Administrator Hillary Gintz said as soon as the weather is good the plan is to concrete it.

Alderman Jim Ashley asked if Karla Eslinger is still working with DNR on Frances Street. It is believed that she is still working on this.

At 7:40 p.m. a motion was made by Pogue/Crisp to go into executive session. Ayes: all. Nays: none. The following roll call vote was recorded. Alderman Jim Ashley-yes. Alderman William Pogue-yes. Alderwoman Nadine Crisp-yes. Alderman Dan Wehmer-yes.

The reason for executive session is pursuant to section 610.021 (3) Personnel.

At 8:40 p.m. a motion was made by Ashley/Wehmer to adjourn. Ayes: all. Nays: none. The following roll call vote was recorded. Alderman Jim Ashley-yes. Alderman William Pogue-yes. Alderwoman Nadine Crisp-yes. Alderman Dan Wehmer-yes.

Mayor Richard Vinson

City Clerk Leslie Houk