

Scranton City Council Minutes August 12th, 2008

Present: Zellweger, Walker, Jacobsen, Wright, Reck
 Absent: None
 Other: Attorney David Morain

Mayor Rudolph called the meeting to order at Scranton City Hall at 7:01 PM. Bob Reck was out of town on business matters but attended the meeting by speaker phone. Iowa Code section 21.8 allows governmental agencies to hold meetings by electronic means. Motion by Walker, second by Jacobsen to approve a modified agenda removing Dona Ballantine and Tina Cathers per their request. APVA/MC

The council discussed paying monthly bills, where Wright and Walker expressed that payment to officers for RAGBRAI security was too much. Following the discussion a motion was made by Wright, second by Zellweger to approve the consent agenda which included paying monthly bills, approving minutes from July 8th, July 15th and July 22nd. APVA/MC. The consent agenda did not include a July treasurer's report due to the timing of the software conversion. The July financials will be ready for approval in September.

Kevin Stocker with MSA Professional Services presented a proposal to the council for a wastewater system evaluation at a cost of \$3,750.00. With new DNR regulations in the near future there is a concern with meeting ammonia limits. A motion was made by Walker, seconded by Wright to accept the proposal and enter into a wastewater evaluation agreement with MSA Professional Services. APVA/MC

Maintenance items discussed included equipment being repaired, trimming, street painting and replacing fire hydrants. No police report was given but the council made selections for interviews.

To begin the discussion on the school building the mayor read a letter of support from Doug Hawn. A motion was made by Reck, seconded by Zellweger for the Mayor to enter into negotiations with the school on acquiring the building. Aye: Reck, Zellweger, Jacobsen. Nay: Wright, Walker. Absent: None. Motion carried. After further discussion a motion was made by Wright, seconded by Walker to rescind the previous motion allowing the mayor to enter into negotiations with the school. Aye: Reck, Wright, Walker, Jacobsen. Nay: Zellweger. Absent: none. Motion carried. A new motion was made by Walker, seconded by Jacobsen appointing the Mayor and Doug Hawn to be the negotiating committee between the school and the council. APVA/MC. Further discussion took place about setting up a committee to perform further research. A motion was made by Zellweger, seconded by Walker to set up a steering committee with representatives selected by the involved parties, which include a member of the library board, congregate meals and the betterment committee along with one member appointed by each council member. That group will report to the negotiating committee. APVA/MC. Appointments need to be turned in no later than August 19th.

Miscellaneous items discussed included RAGBRAI and the property at 1001 Linn Street. With no further business to discuss a motion was made by Wright, seconded by Jacobsen to adjourn at 8:56 PM. APVA/MC

Approved bills:

Aaron J King	RAGBRAI	\$400.00	Kansas State Bank	pd car	\$2,553.76
Alliant	electricity	\$3,866.01	Keystone	lab testing	\$229.00
Aquila	natl gas	\$236.17	MacDonald Ins.	insurance renewal	\$34,057.19
Arcadia Limestone	fill sand	\$132.44	Marilyn Jacobsen	RAGBRAI/parks	\$351.05
Barco Municipal	st supplies	\$251.51	Melinda Hinners	RAGBRAI	\$133.50
Bee & Herald	publications	\$259.00	MET	lab testing	\$294.00
Bomgaars	supplies	\$20.96	Mills Trash Service	gb/re collection	\$4,466.31
Brown Supply	supplies	\$74.26	Municipal Supply	wa tools	\$30.29
Buckaroos	RAGBRAI	\$50.00	Nifty Biffy	RAGBRAI	\$2,000.00
Carroll Lock & Safe	locks	\$251.00	Pemble Digging	tile repairs	\$2,930.71
Culligan	fd water	\$10.59	People's Bank	fica/med/wh	\$1,827.46
Diversified Metal F	picnic tables	\$1,248.00	Rasmussen Law	legal fees	\$28.00
Dust-Tex	rugs/mop	\$83.58	Robert Reck	RAGBRAI	\$50.00
Ethel Subbert	RAGBRAI	\$150.24	Schon Lumber	tin	\$2,347.70
Greene Co. Sheriff	28E	\$450.00	Scr Journal	publications	\$122.26
Harrison RV	RAGBRAI	\$41.76	Scr Library	qtrly transfer	\$4,350.00
Hicks Well Co	main repair	\$25.18	Scr Telephone	paint	\$48.40

Hoyt Law Firm	legal fees	\$1,558.25	Scr Telephone	phone/dsl	\$179.78
IA One Call	dig notices	\$24.60	Select Office Syste	copier rental	\$125.35
IA Treasurer	withholdings	\$317.19	Shadran Industrial	gb bags	\$56.89
IDNR	npdes permit	\$210.00	Star Energy	Fuel - june	\$673.04
IPERS	retirement	\$843.95	Star Energy	fuel-july	\$966.59
Jan Christian	RAGBRAI	\$50.00	Stone	supplies	\$70.62
Jason Forkner	pk planter	\$250.00	True North	insurance	\$4.00
Jim Taylor	street repair	\$3,710.00	U S Cellular	cell phones	\$94.37
Joseph A Quandt	RAGBRAI	\$400.00	West Central	chemicals	\$93.05

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