

**CITY OF EAGLE LAKE
DECEMBER 17 2018
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER

- Mayor Auringer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

- Council Members Present: John Ries, Dennis Terrell, Clete Frederick, Ryan Short, and Mayor Tim Auringer
- Staff Present: Jennifer Bromeland, Brian Goettl, Kerry Rausch

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Estimate for Survey Work for Watermain Looping Projects
 - Bolton and Menk's estimate for topographical work for water main looping in the areas of Industrial Drive, City Hall, Maple Lane, and 598th Avenue is \$13,000 to \$17,500 dependent on snow cover.
 - Easements for Valley Lane and Maple Lane need to be verified.
 - Council Member Short moved, seconded by Council Member Ries, to approve Bolton and Menk to provide topographical work in accordance with their estimate range of \$13,000 to \$17,500. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.
2. Municipality Routine CSAH Maintenance Agreement
 - The agreement's Exhibit A states that Blue Earth County will be responsible for snow plowing of county roads within city limits.
 - Council Member Ries moved, seconded by Council Member Frederick, to authorize Administrator Bromeland and Mayor Auringer to sign Routine CSAH Maintenance Agreement with Blue Earth County. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.
3. Filling Abandoned Sewer Pipe
 - Administrator Bromeland reported meeting with the city's engineer, Owen Todd, and Ryan Thilges with Blue Earth County. Mr. Thilges expressed concerns that if not filled the pipe could collapse and damage the road. Some pricing has been received to fill the line and Dirt Merchants has recommended looking at other options.
 - Owen Todd with Bolton and Menk stated GM's bid of \$70,000 has many caveats with much liability to the city.
 - Council expressed concern with the cost and that there is no guarantee that filling the pipe will do what we need it to do.
 - Council discussion included that since Blue Earth County put the roadway above this pipe, they should assume some responsibility. Mr. Thilges has stated that the County holds no responsibility in this situation.
 - Mayor Auringer stated the contract is very clear that this pipe belongs to the City of Eagle Lake.
 - Council consensus was to obtain other quotes and to try to video line to prove that it is sound.
4. Hire Temp Agency to Provide Administrative/Receptionist Duties
 - Administrator Bromeland stated that while the administrative clerk is on leave a temp person would be able to help with the front desk and answering the telephone.
 - Council Member Ries moved, seconded by Council Member Terrell, to authorize the City Administrator to determine the best agency and best number of hours for a temporary position. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.
5. Performance Evaluation of Deputy Clerk Position
 - Ms. Rausch asked to have the meeting closed.
 - Council Member Ries moved, seconded by Council Member Short, to close the public meeting. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.

- Council Member Short moved, seconded by Council Member Terrell, to reopen the public meeting. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer.
- Council Member Ries moved, seconded by Council Member Short, to approve Eide Bailly's assistance in reconciling cash account. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

- Council Member Terrell moved, seconded by Council Member Ries, to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.

Tim Auringer, Mayor

Kerry Rausch, Deputy Clerk