

October 8, 2019
Regular Meeting

The Eaton Town Council met in regular session. Present are Blankenship, Welsh, DeWees, Hicks and Reese.

President Blankenship calls the meeting to order.

Reese moved to approve the minutes for September 25 Public Hearing and September 26 Executive meeting. DeWees seconded the motion, Motion carried.

Cull asked about the employee clothing allowance. The used it last year and was wanting it again this year. Welsh made a motion to allow up to \$200.00 for a clothing allowance. DeWees seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The dog kennel the Town has needs work. Discussion followed. Cull is to get prices on kennels.

Hunt needs to purchase a new incubator. He said if there is money left in the project it can be reimbursed. NCL \$5,835.00, USA Bluebook \$5,048.00 and Government Scientific Sources \$5,109.48. DeWees made a motion buy from USA Bluebook for \$5,048.00. Reese seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Hunt also needs to purchase a grease gun. Quotes for NAPA \$349.99 and Grainger \$413.00. DeWees made a motion to buy grease gun from NAPA for \$349.99. Welsh seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Hunt would also like to get a new office chair for the new building. Thomas Office has one for \$202.43. DeWees made a motion purchase the chair from Thomas Office for \$202.43. Welsh seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Hunt wants to take the Water Distribution Test for \$60.00 DeWees made a motion to allow him to take the test. Welsh seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Hunt would also like a plastic mat to protect the new floor from his office chair. DeWees made a motion to allow up to \$100.00 for a mat. Welsh seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Wayne Bailey with Commonwealth Engineers presented a letter to request an extension. Welsh made a motion to allow Blankenship to sign the letter. DeWees seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Rachel with Commonwealth said Divisions A and C 1 year warranty is until 9-4-20.

Welsh made a motion to sign Pay #11. DeWees seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Welsh made a motion to accept substantial completion form. DeWees seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Al Strong with Commonwealth Engineers, Inc. went over the water projects underway. Discussion followed. OCRA Project \$450,000.00 and \$150,000 match (EDIT Funds). Looks like USDA funds \$12.3 Million Grant and \$4.9 million loan (1.7%) for water lines, water tower, water wells and water treatment

plant improvements. DeWees made a motion to allow Umbaugh to do a rate study. Welsh seconded the motion. Hicks voted no. Reese voted yes. Motion carried.

Kristy Burns would like to use the facilities for the Small Town Christmas. DeWees made a motion to allow use of the community center on December 14 & 15. Welsh seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Rhonda Caldwell is having a benefit for the food pantry on Oct. 20, 2019. There will be food, games and maybe a petting zoo. Discussion followed. DeWees made a motion to allow use of the parking lot and park. Reese seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Welsh made a motion to allow Trick or treating 10/31 6pm – 8pm. DeWees seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Welsh made a motion to approve building permits for Donna Drake at 1910 E 800N and Shane Garringer 119 E South St. with the approval of Marcum. Reese seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Newby presented information about a fire territory. Discussion followed. Welsh made a motion to have Newby contact other Towns and see how they did it and what changes to taxes there was. Reese seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Waylen Wormer would like an extension on his water bill. Blankenship made a motion to allow him to pay past due by Oct. 22, 2019. DeWees seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Wayne Bailey with Commonwealth said he is ready to apply for the Grant with USDA for a mini-excavator at no charge. Blankenship made a motion to allow Mr. Bailey to apply for the grant. DeWees seconded the motion. Motion carried.


Reese brought up fire territory again. Discussion followed.

Council looked at pay rates for employees. Discussion followed. Welsh made a motion to table hiring a part-time employee for street, water and sewage. Hicks seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Welsh made a motion to sign the claim docket. Reese seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further business to be brought before the Council at this time Reese made a motion to adjourn. Welsh seconded the motion. Motion carried.


Daniel Blankenship, Council President


Bridgett S. DeWees, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer