

Finlayson City Council  
Regular Meeting  
February 14, 2022

The regular city council meeting was called to order Monday, February 14, 2022 by Tom Price, Mayor at 6:30 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Members present: Nadine Hedtke, Mike Drahosh, Jeremy Byers, and Joe Luedtke.

Others present: John Mikrot, Wyatt Lucht, Russell Lucht, Erick Blaisdell, Bill Morgan, Josh Martin, Jeffrey Flaws and Abigail DeMuth.

Addition: D: Firefighter resignations

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Hedtke to approve minutes from the January 18, 2022 regular council meeting, seconded by Luedtke with all in favor and carried.

Reports:

Fire Department: Chief Wyatt Lucht reported that January had 9 total calls, two were mutual aid fire calls, five medical, one vehicle accident and one person search for a total of 174 man hours.

John Mikrot, Water/Sewer Operator: Mikrot will be attending annual MRWA training in March and will speak with contractor available at the meetings for quotes on anything we might need coming up. Finlayson Manor had sewer issues which did not involve our lines. The current water temp is 37° so City Hall is running water to avoid freeze up.

Zoning and Planning: The Creamery building is in process of being closed up with tin and will continue when the weather permits due to high snow banks.

Nicole Bjorklund, City Administrator: Bjorklund gave an overview of the Liquor store financials stating January 2022 had a net profit of \$9,000 February not looking so good because of the bond payment and insurance coming due. The annual financial audit is still in process.

A motion was made by Drahosh to accept January financials and pay bills seconded by Byers with all in favor and carried.

Old business:

- A. Bjorklund has Summit Company for hood modification quote but is waiting on return communication. It would not require the whole kitchen to be modified, just the hood at this point.

New business:

- A. Pine County Assessors office has issued an agreement for 2023-2025 assessments. A motion was made by Byers to accept the agreement, seconded by Luedtke with all in favor and carried.
- B. Due to issues with safety concerns and traffic, the snow plowing times will be at the discretion of the plow operators.
- C. The downspout at the north east corner of the building between the off-sale and fire hall is creating a slipping issue and needs to be modified. Price to speak with Skaff about what can be done as it was previously quoted at nearly \$5000.
- D. Brenda Price and Austin Baumann have both resigned from the Fire Dept.

A motion made by Drahosh to adjourn, seconded by Hedtke with all in favor and carried.

Nicole Bjorklund, City Clerk/Administrator