

Regular Board Meeting
Vanduser City Council
August 10, 2015
7:00 P.M.

Those Present:

Kevin Burchard	Eddie Fisher	Liz Casey	Marie Bryant
Jim Murphree	Diane Verble		

Kevin opened the meeting. He introduced Marie Bryant. She had applied for the city clerk job and was there to get acquainted with the board members and clerical staff. Mrs. Bryant listed her jobs and experiences where she had worked and what her present job is. The board asked questions as did Mrs. Bryant. The work schedule was outlined as well as the times when the clerk spends extra time in the office for reports, water bills, and the needs of the board members. The work every Saturday was a problem and the Wednesday afternoon could also be. The board did say that maybe another day could be replaced for Wednesday. After a long discussion and the board's thanks, Mrs. Bryant left. Kevin will contact her again when Mike and Gary can meet with her.

The financial report was gone over with attention called to the CD that comes due at the end of the month. It was decided to let it keep on as is. A discussion on the water checking account balance and the need to collect the water bills followed. How to save money and quit spending it followed. The report was approved.

The council was told that the meeting for the city tax rate had no residents attending or calling. The new rate is listed as 0.4247 for General Revenue by the county. The council accepted the rate for the city taxes.

Liz reported on the situation with Hailie's dog barking and going after people around town and at the post office. He had gone after Liz at the City Hall. He is also chasing cars and kids on bicycles. The board will talk to Hailey about keeping him in a pen at home or something will have to be done.

David has put his trash into his hole and continues to put things from the house in it. When it is burned and ready to fill in Jim will use Jerry's backhoe to level the ground. Jerry needs to mow his property at the west end of town. Jim will talk to him.

The repeater room is finished, but not approved yet by the FCC. The lease is still at the Fireman's attorney's office. We have found out that we do not have to put a beacon or light on the tower.

The next discussion was concerning the tree trimming for the street work. Someone will have to go around checking just like we always have for the school buses. Eddie said he would help with trimming since he will be doing his neighbor's trees.

Liz has received a text stating that Bootheel and Smith and Company people will meet at the City hall at 9:30 a.m. On Friday the 28th to open bids for street paving. They stated that none of the board members need to be there. However, within several days they will have to meet to accept a bid for the paving company. Several members said they will attend the Friday meeting.

Robert is to hang the signs for the lagoon as soon as possible. Mike is taking care of getting them. Robert has a list of the culverts to be replaced or worked on before the paving. Liz will get a price list for the culverts.

Jim Murphree has been contacted by David Ruedrich concerning the fact that he did not have sewer, but paid for it for many years. In 2011 it was discovered that he was not hooked up. Robert immediately did hook up his lines to the sewer. It was decided to ask the lawyer what the situation entails and ask Smith and Company to get out the records of the installation of the sewer runs. They should have information on what happened.

Diane went over the yearly financial report then as well as the new water permit that has to be approved. At the next meeting she will have to money resources report. She will also have the USDA and State Auditors report. The budget for 2015-2016 will then have to be approved.

A motion to adjourn was made by Jim, seconded by Eddie, and approved by Kevin. Meeting adjourned