Town of North Hills

Council meeting minutes

March 28th, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pat McDonnell at the 36th street Church of Christ building in Vienna. Present: Pat McDonnell, Cheney English, Regina Smith, Kathrine Pittman, Rachel Hensley (call-in), and Fred Newberry. Absent: Don Stemple. Town residents in attendance:

Tom Zawatsky

Paul Burke

Peggy Burton-Ols

Joesph Lambert

Mary Maskell

Paul Kupferberg

Dale Baumgartner

**Minutes**

Cheney English made a motion to approve the March 14th minutes as amended, seconded by Kathrine Pittman, approved by council.

**Safety**

Pat gave a presentation on Spring yard work.

Dress appropriately.

Use the correct tools.

Mind your posture.

Be cautious with chemicals.

Stay hydrated and take breaks.

Watch out for wildlife.

Keep children and pets safe.

By prioritizing safety and following these guidelines, we can ensure that our spring yard work projects are not only productive, but also injury free.

**Recorder’s report**

Received $12,579.87 from Union Williams.

Paid $1,200 to Bowles Rice for the review of the CEC contract.

Paid $6,355.46 to Hanna & Hanna for the Northridge HOA case.

There are 14 Street user fees that have not been paid. We will place liens on these residents after April 15th. Late notices have been sent out.

A house in Brentwood that has multiple liens on it has been sold and we will be collecting the fees after closing.

The town budget for 2024 was presented to the council. Cheney English made a motion to accept the budget proposal, seconded by Kathrine Pittman, approved by council. The budget will be emailed to the state after our meeting tonight. It will also be published in the newspaper for 2 weeks per state guidelines.

**Building permits**

There is a house on North Hills Drive that is building a gazebo, and the council did not approve the structure’s original application as it was to be made from metal and did not comply with town ordinance. Just a reminder that all new structures need an approved building permit which is located on the town web page.

**Committee updates**

Union Williams will be installing risers on the Crestwood sewer drain covers.

There is a possibility of tree roots in sewer line on Crestwood drive and the pond. Union Williams to inject VEG into sewer line with a biannual treatment at a cost of $ 250. It was suggested that in the future a camera be used to look for any obstructions.

The town budget was presented to the council. Cheney English made a motion to accept the budget, seconded by Regina Smith, approved by council. The budget will be emailed to the state after our meeting. The budget will be run in the newspaper for 2 weeks as per the state guidelines.

The pool contract was presented to the council, and it was decided to wait until our next meeting for Don to give clarification and answer questions that the council has.

**Public forum**

There was a question as to the ruling on right of way access to the Northridge sewer system. The judge will present the ruling on April 11th.

Pat McDonnell and his family will be moving to Vienna and has resigned his office position as mayor. Our previous mayor Dale Baumgartner has agreed to fill this position until elections are held this fall. Cheney English made a motion that Dale would assume the position of mayor, seconded by Rachel Hensley, approved by council. We want to thank Pat for all the arduous work and wish him the best. Pat was instrumental in the Brentwood slip project repair and further negotiations in the Northridge sewer project.