

SPECIAL MEETING

January 17, 2018

ACKLEY CITY COUNCIL met in special session January 17, 2018 in the City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Erik Graham presiding. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. Council members present: Pat Daggs, Al Jones, Joe Wessels, and Judy Crawford. Absent: Pat Hurt. Quorum present.

Crawford moved, Daggs seconded, to approve the January 17, 2018 Agenda as listed. Ayes-Daggs, Jones, Wessels, Crawford. Absent-Hurt. Motion carried.

Council member Pat Hurt arrived at 5:01 p.m.

Council worked on the proposed FY19 Budget.

Hurt moved, Jones seconded, to adopt Resolution No. 18-01 Establishing On-Call Time for the Police Department. Roll call vote: Ayes-Hurt, Jones, Wessels, Crawford, Daggs. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the new sewer rates to fund the Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project. Daggs informed the Council that she had spoken to the President of the City's highest user, along with two other of the City's high users, regarding the impact that the new higher rates would have on them. To help lighten the impact to them, Daggs recommended a new rate schedule with a \$52.00 base rate. This base rate would add \$4.00-\$6.50 more to the smaller users compared to the 50/50 rate schedule Council passed in December. However, for the average and larger users, it would reduce their bills when compared to the 50/50 rate, and would definitely lighten the burden on the larger industries. Daggs stated that if the City lost their high user they would never be able to make up that revenue. Daggs moved, Hurt seconded, to change the sewer rates to a base rate of \$52.00 and a usage rate of \$4.12 and to leave the current annual increase in the new ordinance, but add that the increase will be at the discretion of the Council. Roll call vote: Ayes-Daggs, Hurt, Jones, Crawford, Wessels. Motion carried.

Wessels presented several bids to the Council for heating and cooling, electrical, and lighting work to be performed on the first floor of City Hall. Police Chief Brian Shimon asked if second floor was going to be getting new heating and cooling as well. It was noted that the second floor has repair issues that need addressed. Mayor Graham stated that he would like to see bids for heating and cooling upstairs. Wessels will contact contractors for these bids. Mayor Graham will contact the contractor that previously looked at the repairs needed upstairs, and try to get a bid on that. Mayor Graham tabled any action until further bids are received.

Crawford moved, Hurt seconded, to approve the liquor license for Dollar General Store #18911. Ayes-All. Motion carried.

With no further discussion, Jones moved, Hurt seconded, to adjourn at 9:43 p.m. Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Erik Graham, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Kelly DeBerg, City Clerk