

EMMONS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Date: October 14, 2025

Time: 7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order by the Mayor, Dave Bosma at 7:00 pm

ATTENDANCE:

Council Members: Paul Lair, Jerome Wuerflein, Eleanor Bauman; Absent: Neal Honsey

City Clerk: Lorry Zasada, ISG: Bryan Petzel, Residents: John Tidemann

Approval of the meeting Agenda: Motion made by Lair to accept the agenda, seconded by Wuerflein, carried 3/0

Approval of Minutes from previous meetings – Sep 8th

Motion made by Wuerflein to accept the minutes from both meetings, seconded by Bauman, motion carried 3/0

Financial Reports were reviewed.

Checking Balance: \$155,258.17; Savings & CDs Balance: \$ 1,392,229.18

Receipts: \$18,361 (UB \$15,971 Int \$2,320, Park Rsrv \$25, Donations \$20, Permits \$25)

Disbursements: \$22,843

Motion made by Wuerflein to accept the financial reports as stated, seconded by Lair, carried 3/0.

Bills Due:

Total Claims: \$20,868, Motion made by Lair to pay the bills, seconded by Wuerflein, carried 3/0. Clerk is authorized to transfer \$30,000 from the 4M account to the General Fund to pay the bills.

OLD BUSINESS:

ISG – Update

Council reviewed the ISG design proposal. Motion made by Wuerflein, seconded by Lair to accept the proposal, carried 3/0. City will look into a SRF Loan through Rural Water to get the project started, funds will be included in the dollars reported to the USDA for grant funding. Our IUP review has not posted yet on the USDA website due to in part to the Government shutdown. Lead Service Line report is due next week, Bryan will reach out to Danny.

Update on School Playground Project

Shelter has been completed. Council has approved Danny to order a metal mesh table and bench that will be secured to the cement pad. City will offer table and bench to be dedicated.

Update on 250 yr Celebration to be hosted by S.A.L.

John Tidemann brought the council up to date on tentative plans to order approximately 300 flag and poles to have residents put in their yards between Memorial Day and July 4th next year. Some flags may be put on utility poles. S.A.L. meets again on Monday, October 20th to further discuss plans.

Employee Benefits for 2025

Council reviewed employee benefits for 2026. Motion made by Lair to approve the benefits but leaving the annual vacation same as prior year. Seconded by Wuerflein to approve 2026 employee benefits, carried 3/0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Speed Study on County Rd 14 – Motion made by Wuerflein to approve RES 2025-009 requesting the county to perform a Speed Study on County Rd 14. City is asking the County to change and move the current speed limit sign to reduce speed gradually coming into town from the north. In addition, a new digital sign will be installed. Motion carried 3/0

Donation to Albert Lea Tribune for Chamber of Commerce

Motion made by Lair to donate \$75 for Chamber of Commerce advertising, carried 3/0

Emmons Properties scheduled for Tax Forfeiture – Council reviewed. County will post forfeitures between May and Sep next year. Once defaulted to state, city will be notified.

Part-time Law Enforcement – Alden is looking to share an officer ½ per week. Jerome Wuerflein will attend the negotiations and keep council advised of progress. Lair made a motion to have Jerome pursue the opportunity, seconded by Bauman, carried 3/0

ADJOURNMENT – motion made by Lair to adjourn, seconded by Wuerflein. Motion carried 3/0. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m. Next meeting, Monday November 10th, 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Submitted by:

Lorry Zasada
Clerk/Treasurer