

The Cannon Falls City Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, September 3, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. Present were Mayor Robby Robinson and Council Members Bill Duncan, Jay Sjoblom, Morris Mattson, Rodney Holst, LeRoy McCusker, and Merlyce Johnson. Also present were Aaron Reeves, City Administrator; Lanell Endres, Assistant City Administrator; Brenda Voshalike Ambulance Director; and Jeffrey McCormick, Police Chief.

- Call to Order Mayor Robinson called the City Council Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
- Pledge of Allegiance Mayor Robinson led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Approval of Agenda Council Member Johnson moved, seconded by Council Member Duncan to approve the agenda as presented. All members present voted aye. The motion was declared passed.
- Public input Rosie Schluter expressed concern about structuring of the farmers' market in terms of licensing or fees. She reported that she helped organize the original community market and would support organization but not excessive regulation.
- Consent Agenda
- A. Just and Correct Claims – Accounting Period Ending August 29, 2013
 - B. Meeting Minutes for August 20, 2013, City Council Meeting
 - C. St. Pius Street Closing Request
 - D. Resolution 2034, Accepting a Monetary Donation for the Fire Department
 - E. Resolution 2035, Adopting the Preliminary Tax Levy and Budget Collectible in 2014 and Setting Public Input Meeting Date
 - F. Resolution 2036, Establishing Procedures Relating to Compliance with Reimbursement Bond Regulations Under the Internal Revenue Code
 - G. Approval of the Land Reclamation Permit on Hentges Property
 - ~~H. Sewer Credit Policy Update~~
- Council Member Johnson moved, seconded by Council Member Duncan to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted, minus Item H, Sewer Credit Policy Update. All members present voted aye. The motion was declared passed.
- Sewer Credit Policy Update Council Member McCusker reported concerns related to private water and sewer hook-ups and ongoing water leak issues. He also inquired about the rule being proposed in the sewer credit policy update allowing one credit per previous billing cycle per property every five years.
- City Administrator Reeves clarified that the intent of the utility credit allowance policy was to address infrequent circumstances that occur as

a result of accidental situations and noted that the policy was not intended to be utilized on a routine basis. He stated that issues with older private sewer and water lines should be addressed on a case-by-case basis.

Council Member Sjoblom inquired about the method for determining whether a water leak empties into the sewer system. City Administrator Reeves replied that this was typically determined by the location of the leak.

It was discussed that city staff and the Public Works Commission were willing to work with property owners when questions arose.

A motion was made by Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Duncan to approve the updated Sewer Credit Policy. All members present voted aye. The motion was declared passed.

Staff Reports

Police Chief McCormick provided a reminder about safety issues with school back in session.

Mayor and Council Reports

Council Member Duncan provided an update with regard to the Public Works Commission. He reported that the Eastside improvement project was proceeding on schedule. He also stated that citizens were needed for the pool study committee. He reported that the Highway 52 project was also proceeding smoothly.

Council Member McCusker asked about the status of the Highway 19 construction project. City Administrator Reeves reported that construction would continue for at least another week or so.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Cannon Falls on the 17th day of September, 2013.

Lyman M. Robinson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Aaron S. Reeves, City Administrator