Pick City News

October 2023



**City of Pick City Final Budget Hearing. October 4, 2023**

Present: Anderson, Westman, Davis, Amy ones, Diane Johnson. Absent: Bather & Reiser.

Mayor Anderson called the hearing of the Final Budget to order at 7:01pm. Westman Motioned, second, Davis

to approve the 2024 City of Pick City budget as presented with the addition of 2.50 mills for the emergency fund and to increase the fire protection mill levy to 5.0 mills. Motion carried. Adjourned at 7:05.

**City of Pick City Meeting Minutes of October 4, 2023**

Present: Mayor, Arvid Anderson, Kel Westman, Lori Davis, Attorney Mark Kaffer, Larry & Mary Hatzenbuhler, Publi Works Jim Sailer, Vernon Herman, Odin & Maria Anderson, Accountant Amy Ones, and Auditor Diane Johnson.

Absent: Bather & Reiser.

Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Westman motioned, Davis Second to approve the consent items: Bills, agenda, meeting minutes from the Sept. 6th: with the addition to change the distribution checks recording error in Sept. the correct amount is:

Rest & Lodging $723.43, C. Conversion $941.10, C. Severance $1486.03, Highway $413.62, Revenue Sharing $ 1225.71

Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

Larry Hatzenbulher asked the council if there was any decision on the abandon street 1st Lane S. Attorney advised council to consider all avenues first before any decision is made. After some discussion, no action was taken.

**New Business:**

Council will review the preorder contract with Fitterer Oil.

Received Pledge of Securities from Union State Bank for the amount of $561,703.16

Jim let the council know the roof is leaking in the hall.

**Water:** October analysis: satisfactory.

Odin & Maria Anderson were asking the council what they have done wrong with putting a water hose connection from their mobile home buried 6” underground to supply water to their new shop. He further stated that there is no sewer drain in the shop. The Andersons disagree with the definition of “premises”, even though their property includes (2) separate parcels that are zoned R2 for their personal residence & C2 for the newly constructed building. The Andersons feel that their (2) properties should be considered (1) premise. Attorney Kaffer specifically instructed the Andersons at a previous meeting that he needs to follow the city ordinances and needs to get permission to branch any water lines. A very contentious discussion followed. Attorney Kaffer advised the Andersons to come to the next board meeting when a full council is present. No action taken.

**Sewer:** Jim will be flushing manhole and hydrants next week.

**Land Fill:** Fall cleanup will be Oct 2- Oct 7th. Land fill will be closed for the season after cleanup week.

**Distribution checks received:** Rest & Lodging $1838.98, C. Conversion $874.46, C. Severance $1835.07,

Highway $560.65, Revenue Sharing $1199.33.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:45. Next regular meeting November 1st.

The minutes being published are subject to the council’s review & revision.

Mayor Arvid Anderson Auditor Diane Johnson

**Need your assistance:**

For Pick City Residents:

-Updating for Circle Sanitation

Can you please send the office your garbage tote (totes) serial number?

Email: [pickcity@westriv.com](mailto:pickcity@westriv.com)

Call: 487-3327

Or put serial number on your next water bill postcard when remitting to city.

**Thank you for your help!**

Bills approved:

General fund

Payroll/reimb/ins. $2887.52

NDPERS- Jim’s retire. 234.00

IRS- 941 1261.10

Job Service- unemploy. 13.22

ND State Tax- 3rd Qtr 249.60

WRT- 128.99

RRE 616.65

Circle – garage 2466.50

Dust tex – rugs/mops 49.45

DOC – contract 60.64

FSG – gravel 1084.74

Hazen Star - 289.36

One Call – fee 31.20

Amy Ones – accountant 850.00

Salhus – porto potty 250.00

Swanston – part 98.38

Scott’s – gas/diesel 226.33

Water

Payroll 1263.34

WRT 41.79



RRE 275.28

**Pick City Fire Department**

**Is selling**

**Raw Honey**

**1 quart $20.00**

**Available at Scott’s /Teresa’s Grocery/**

**Dam Bar & Little’s**

**City Hall**

**Contact 487-3327**

If you are interested.

MSRWD – 686,000 gals 4344.80

Core & Main – contract 2437.42

Russ Garrett – curb stop

½ cost at Odin Anderson 912.50

Sewer

Payroll 631.66