

City of Oronoco
Special City Council Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, July 5, 2006

I. CALL TO ORDER

Bertsinger called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm

II. ROLL CALL

Members present: Bertsinger, McDermott, Novak
Hall & Keigley will be late

III. KELLY PARKER FIREWORKS REIMBURSEMENT

Tabled until the July 17th City Council Meeting so an actual dollar amount can be obtained and to see if DOGR is willing to pick up the additional cost.

IV. WAC/SAC APPROVAL BID

The Water and Sewer Committee obtained bids for a pilot project study of properties to examine NE Oronoco. They recommend that the Council go with the bid from Gopher Septic for \$1100.00. They also will have Gopher Septic give a written document of their findings and a presentation to the Water & Sewer Committee. They can receive a matching grant up to \$3000.00. They received four other bids ranging from \$2500 to \$6400. Gopher will look at 22 properties to see what type of systems can be used. Look at if they can be replaced individually or group systems. They will see if it's feasible to use alternative systems. Hall arrived at 7:11 pm. Lee Forstie brought it to council attention that Gopher would not sign the original form that was sent to residents and questioned if they would sign the new one. Bertsinger will check with Sheila Craig on the new form. The Water & Sewer Committee recommends the Gopher Septic bid for \$1100.00 and using the matching grant for \$550.00. **Bertsinger motioned to approve the bid from Gopher Septic in the NE section of the city with a presentation of written findings and a presentation to the Water & Sewer Committee, Novak second;** discussion: a letter will be sent out, Larry Stolp or a City Council member will speak with the residents. Sheila Craig will be out that day. It's for a general idea, not an inspection or test. It's a feasibility study; their bid is low so may be able to do all four study areas. Study is MN Ave and all the property along 1st Ave NE, 22 land owners, 24 – 25 properties. McDermott questioned if it would come out of the WAC & SAC Fund. Bertsinger recommends that is does. **All in favor, motion carried.**

V. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Discussion: Planning & Zoning minutes have not been received yet. Novak and Bertsinger have made changes so it doesn't talk all about municipal systems. Biggest issues on how to approach a municipal system, not after a city wide municipal system focus on alternative systems. Planning & Zoning reworded with the opening statement changes. Council discussed what changes were wanted; taking out R3, softening the opening letter, and the biggest concern is changing the municipal water and sewer wording to alternative systems. The Comp plan should be a general guideline for the city and should be revisited often as the city grows. It is easier to add things later on than it is to remove items. All the committees almost unanimously support the Comp Plan. Bertsinger; should develop a priority list annually. Novak; hopefully this balances out, won't please everyone. Hall; once Hwy 52 is done, things will change, this is a good start.

Bertsinger called for a 5 min. recess at 8:10 pm.

Bertsinger called back to order at 8:20 pm.

Lee Forstie; let the Council know that the city has a plan and he thinks they should adopt it. Council agrees there needs to be plan. McDermott concerned that the Chairman of P & Z voted against this and that Tom Canan had some concerns in his letter, (no priority and fire safety wasn't addressed). **Keigley arrived at 8:50 pm.** Discussion continued on possible changes to finish the Comp Plan. Keigley; sounds like it's getting close, not looking to vote in good faith, would like to see a final document to vote on. Bertsinger will work on it the next couple of days, highlight changes, request ideas, and will present it at the Regular July City Council Meeting. Hall will show it to Planning & Zoning next week.

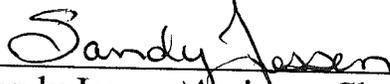
VI. ADJOURNEMENT

Bertsinger motioned to adjourn at 9:15 pm, Hall second; All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:



Joy Bertsinger, Mayor



Sandy Jessen, Assistant Clerk