Mitchellville City Council Proceedings
Regular Meeting – March 17, 2014

The Mitchellville City Council met in regular session at 7:00 pm in the council chambers of City Hall, 204 Center Ave. N., pursuant to notice.

Mayor Filbert called the meeting to order, roll call, members present: McGhee, Crook, Thomas, Zook and Engler.

A motion by McGhee to approve the tentative agenda, second by Zook. Motion carried unanimous

A motion by Engler to approve the consent agenda paying claims of $84,619.12 includes 1 regular payroll, and 3-3-14 council minutes, second by Crook. Motion carried unanimous.

Public Audience: None

A motion by Zook to approve Resolution 2014-18, allowing for the sale of single cemetery lots, increasing the single cemetery lot fee to $250.00 and adding an interment rights contract for cemetery lot purchasers, second by Crook. Roll call vote, Ayes: Engler, Zook, Crook and Thomas, Nays: McGhee.

A motion by McGhee to table the asbestos bid until the April 7, 2014 meeting, second by Zook. Motion carried unanimous.

Council member Engler requested more information from Chief Twohey on the current EMS billing process. The billing and reporting is done monthly and their current charge is $25.00 per patient billed. The aging summary report shows almost $60,000 in unpaid accounts over 180 days old. Council member Crook asked about amount of over $28,000 under private accounts, Chief Twohey said those were uninsured patients. Engler ask how old the accounts over 180 days were, the Chief stated when he started with the current company everything that was 4 years or less was sent in. The Chief said he was satisfied with the bill company but not the collections company and would like to look at other options. Engler ask the Chief how much time he spent on the billing and he was not sure. He said he was working on delegating some of the duties. Council if member Zook ask the Chief if he felt some of the $28,000 under the uninsured accounts would be collected or did they need to be written off. The Chief said he was not sure but to date none of the accounts had ever been written off. Chief Twohey will do some checking and get better numbers for the council on how old the accounts over 180 days really are.

Updates from department heads, council members and mayor were given.

Public Audience: Jon Woods, 204 Third St. NE, stated he attended the Metro Waste meeting and the City of Mitchellville has saved over $12,000 in fees with the limit of one garbage tote per resident and the added bonus is recycling has gone up 10%.

Work session was to discuss how the council meeting will run. Engler questioned when should there be a discussion of an agenda item. After some discussion as to whether it should be after the first and second motion or before. Mayor Filbert will run the meetings to allow for a discussion before the motions and if wanted a discussion after the motions are made and before roll call.

Motion by McGhee to adjourn the meeting, second by Thomas. Motion carried unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.

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Jeremy Filbert, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ruth Norton, City Admin/Clerk