

May 2021

City Newsletter

City Council Briefs: Meeting Date: April 12, 2021
 Council Present: Gruendemann, Scharfencamp, Mumme, Wiese, R. Kokesch
 Staff Present: K. Kokesch, Radermacher, Wiese, and McCorquodale.
 Guests: K. Hoffman-Distad, D. Prescott, J. Clobes
 Regular Meeting called to order, Pledge and Roll Call.

1. Approved minutes of 3/8/2021.
2. Approved consent agenda: bills of \$49,451.41; cash receipts of \$28,625.23; five past due utility accounts; one zoning permit issued to J. Robertson to build a 10x16 shed at 140 3rd Ave E.
3. Public Hearing Variance request of W. Lund for third accessory building at 225 3rd Ave W; planning commission recommended approval with owners knowledge of shed being placed in an area prone to flooding; council tabled approval until May to have correct wording on Resolution.
4. J. Clobes set Spring Clean up day for June 9th. Box, bag or bundle loose items!
5. K. Hoffman-Distad and D. Prescott are finalizing plans for the assisted living facility. Address for the new facility will stay the same as the old Church. Tax abatement process was discussed. A variance request must be made and public hearing must be held before breaking ground.
6. Department Heads: McCorquodale reports of winning radio bid and inactivating an EMT still employed with the city. Wiese reported 3 fire personnel completing the classroom section of fire training. Fire and Ambulance departments to make a spread sheet of radio inventory. K. Kokesch reported a broken pump at the nursing home lift station and reported the need to get the lift station vacuumed out; street sweeping starting well; asked about giving R/S Fiber a key to water tower, council would like to wait until the need comes; sand collecting in water valves, need to be cleaned; curb replacement estimate for 15-20 feet of curb for \$1225, approved; questioned how much gravel to bring in this spring, tabled until May. Radermacher brought the community center lease agreement to the councils attention and the need to revisit the terms; questioned who does inspections after rentals, Mayor Gruendemann to take over inspections; asked about having an one of the extra ambulance radios at City Hall, will revisit once all essential personnel have one; \$2 an hour rate increase for City Hall and Fire Hall cleaning; more Corona Virus Funding coming with more details to come.
7. Tennis court demo and reseeding quote/bid awarded to Got Dirt for \$3750.
8. Bolton and Menk and Area 2 representatives to look at the issues with the Storm Sewer wash out.
9. Dust sealing contract for 2021 approved.
10. Radermacher to post an advertisement for a bid request for interior painting at the community center.
11. Liquor license renewal application request for AJs Longbranch Saloon and DM Depot approved.
12. Opening parks for the 2021 season was discussed and tabled until May in hopes more COVID guidelines available.
13. Boat landing porta potty approved for the 2021 season. Picnic table reservation requests to be made through City Hall. Broken outlet at Community Center fixed. Deputy Hussman to enforce ordinances and cleaning up the town.
14. The bills authorized for payment are as follows:



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Salaries	Net	\$9,071.77	Xcel	Electric	\$981.42	Praxair	Oxygen	\$105.64
PERA	Retirement	\$1,609.19	Standard-Gazette	Printing	\$21.90	Stryker	Supplies	\$932.92
MN Dept. of Rev.	Withholding	\$432.25	MNRWA	Dues	\$325.00	Sheriffs Dept	Contract	\$13,076.18
IRS	Withholding	\$2,687.49	Runnings	Supplies	\$139.25	Auditor Treasurer	Taxes	\$2,999.00
SW/WC-Coop	Insurance	\$4,554.00	Gopher State	Locates	\$4.05	MVTL	Lab	\$360.46
Ren-Sibley Coop.	Electric	\$52.90	One Office	Supplies	\$79.98	MN Valley Tele	Phones	\$264.68
Heiman	Name tags	\$81.32	C Kokesch	Cleaning	\$145.00	Wex Bank	Fuel	\$392.60
K Kokesch	Phone	\$118.48	Pollution Control	Dues	\$1,450.00	Winsted Solar	Electric	\$2,399.48
Automatic Systems	Maintenance	\$1,585.90	Core & Main	Supplies	\$194.60	McGowan	Snow	\$75.00
VISA	Supplies	\$817.57	Community Health	Camping	\$115.00	Walton Law	Legal	\$211.00
Clobes	Garbage	\$2,863.14	Expert T	Billing	\$58.00	Franklin Fire Releif	Flo Thru	\$1,000.00
Marco	Printing	\$163.35	B McCorquodale	Training	\$20.00	Madison National	Insurance	\$39.90

City Clean Up

Wednesday, June 9, 2021

Have your household items to the curb by 7 a.m. for curbside pick up of household items that can go to the landfill for free.*

You must bundle, bag or box your loose items.

Large furniture items cost \$25 each, Mattresses cost \$45 each and must be prepaid at City Hall for pick up.

*No hazardous materials, garbage, appliances, batteries, bulbs, or tires

Let's clean up Franklin!!

Electronics and Appliance Recycling

2nd Wednesday of each month

April– October, 2:00-6:00 PM

Renville Co Fair Grounds, Bird Island

Most electronics and appliances recycled for free!

For more info., Call 800-366-8665 or visit www.swrecycling.com



Community Calendar May 2021

- May 6 Legion Meeting, 7 PM
May 9 Happy Mother's Day!
May 10 Lions Club, 6 PM, Community Center
City Council, 7 PM, Community Center
May 11 Curbside Recycling
May 20 Ambulance Meeting, 6:30 PM, Fire Hall
Fire Meeting, 7 PM, Fire Hall
May 25 Curbside Recycling
May 31 Memorial Day
Legion Memorial Day program
9:30 am Community Center

2021 Curbside Recycling:



May 11 & 25

June 8 & 22

Mosquito Spraying Schedule

(Subject to change due to weather conditions):

June 1, 15, 29; July 13, 27; August 10, 24; Sept. 7



Pet Licenses expired April 30th. The license fee is \$10 per pet. You have until May 31st to license your pet; after May 31 there is an additional \$25 late fee. You must provide proof of current vaccinations for each pet and for dogs you must provide proof of at least \$50,000 liability insurance. Each premise is limited to two dogs or three cats in any combination not to exceed four.

****Please be a good neighbor & pick up after your pet****

**Reminder— DO NOT mow your grass clippings onto the street! The clippings plug the storm sewer. Doing so is a violation of city ordinance!*



*Watch the City Facebook page and the public access channel for updates on the upcoming city wide garage sale weekend.



American Red Cross

Thank you to all the donors who came to the special April 2nd Bloodmobile in Franklin. Many regions have had to cancel drives and you helped build back the Red Cross reserves. 21 units were collected! Please continue to support the Red Cross when they return in June!

Thanks!

**Franklin Community Blood Drive
Community Center**

Thursday June 3, 2021

12:00– 6:00 p.m.

Appointment Only!

Sign up at www.redcrossblood.org