

**The Greenbush City Council's regular meeting was held on February 16, 2021, at 5:30 pm. This meeting was conducted in person and via electronic methods due to the Governor's Emergency Declaration concerning the COVID Pandemic.**

Council Present in Person: Eric Etherington, Dennis Filer, Christine Foss, Shawn Walsh, Josh Kern

Council Present via Electronic Methods: None

Others Present in Person: Anita Locken

Other Present via Electronic Methods: Ryan Bergeron

### **Burkel Chicken Request**

Cari Burkel has contacted the city to request that she be able to have chickens in the city. She contacted the city office shortly before this meeting to let the council know that she could not attend it. Previous council discussions on a chicken ordinance were held. No decision to move forward with a chicken ordinance was after those discussions. The zoning ordinance does allow chickens under a conditional use permit. The council would like Mrs. Burkel to fill out the conditional use permit application before the next council meeting. They will review the application at that time. A public hearing for the application would need to be held before the council could approve the application.

### **Potentially Freezing Water**

Since we have hit a cold snap in the weather, some residents are concerned about their water lines freezing. There have been approximately seven people called the city asking for their water temperature to be checked. Water temperatures that fall below 38 degrees should be watched so they do not freeze. The last time council gave a blanket credit to run water was in 2014 when over 20 water lines froze. Since then, credits to run water have been handled on a case-by-case basis. The council will ask that people make requests, and then they will review those requests on a case-by-case basis. Council was given information on a new water meter that can also read water temperature, turn water services on and off or restrict water flow to a building. These meters could be beneficial in the case of a house that needs to monitor its water temperature. More information is to be gathered and brought to the council.

### **Main St Water Project**

The engineers would like the council to pick a stain color for the stamped concrete on Main St for this year's project. Mayor Etherington is going to reach out to the businesses to see what color they would like. It could be matched to the concrete in front of the community center. The council was also given a reminder that the crossing into the KC's Country Market empty lot will be removed as part of this project. The owners have another purpose for that lot besides parking.

### **COVID-19**

The case numbers in the county have spiked a little in the last week.

### **City/County Shop**

A meeting with the county was held. The city and county attorneys are working on updating the agreement. The updates would be to clarify certain areas of the agreement. One change is putting in a review point should the city's utility cost go up or down a certain percentage.

## **Blight/Nuisance Ordinance**

Tabled

## **Public Works Update**

Public Works Director Jevne provided the council with the iWorq reports to review.

## **Consent Agenda**

**M/S/P Shawn Walsh/Dennis Filer** approve the consent agenda items with revised bills and minutes (Minutes/Bills-Revised/Receipts).

**In favor:** Eric Etherington, Dennis Filer, Christine Foss, Shawn Walsh, Josh Kern

## **Upcoming Meetings:**

- Regular Council Meetings: at 5:30 pm, March 15, April 19, and May 17

This meeting was adjourned at 6:04 pm.

Eric Etherington  
Mayor

Anita Locken  
Clerk-Treasurer