

**Troy City Council
City Council Work Meeting
October 2, 2023
Immediately following 6:30 P.M. special meeting**

The City Council Meeting came to order at 6:38 pm. Present were Mayor Charles Ekstedt, Council – Dallas Carr, Jamie Shupe, Shawna Kelsey, and via Zoom TJ Boswell, and City Clerk Tracy Rebo.

Present: Ward Davis, Katie Davis, Clay Campbell, Chera Cole, Scott Hoffman, Dennis Dupuis, Heather Todd, Jim Sweet, and Blair Shupe.

PUBLIC COMMENTS-On any agenda item: None.

HOUSING GRANT PROJECTS – Heather Todd: Heather Todd wants to know if Mayor and Council would like for her to go for some housing grants. There are planning grants that help with a Needs Assessment for the City, CDBG Grants that have no match requirement. Discussion was held in types of funding and HUD requirements. Shawna Kelsey would like to go directly to the CDBG Affordable Housing Development and Rehab grants first instead of going with the planning grant. Todd will look into the different grant programs for housing.

DISCUSS COMBINING UTILITY POLICIES INTO ONE POLICY: It was explained that currently there are three different policies for the water, sewer, and electric departments. The policy would combine the three as far as the utility billing part. Operating policies as in constructing, line extension, and tapping into the lines, would remain the same. Discussion was held on disconnect fees for the water department. It was decided to add a fee of \$20.00 non-emergency shut off fee for water. All information will be at the public hearing that will be held on October 16, 2023.

DISCUSS SNOWPLOW POLICY: Public Works Director stated that they do not plow until there is approximately four to six inches of new snow on the ground. Discussion was held regarding the possible different ways to plow. It takes around eight hours to plow the entire city. The problem is the vehicles that stay on the road and get plowed in and personal plowers who plow snow back out into the roadway. Discussion on how to get the information out to have homeowners move vehicles when it snows, and if someone is plowing their drive for them that they mark the water meter pits to avoid damage to them.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: REGARDING MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA: Jim Sweet owns the old coffee shop next to the senior citizens center and would like to offer leasing the property to the city first. Mr. Sweet explained what the building is like and the benefits of it. Currently the city is doing ok with storage. It was stated that the city may be more interested in purchasing the property than

renting it. The Mayor and Council will think it over and will let him know what they want to do.

Motion to adjourn at 7:49 pm was made by Jamie Shupe, second by Dallas Carr.
Motion Carried.

Charles Ekstedt, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tracy Rebo, City Clerk/Treasurer