

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING AVOCA CITY COUNCIL May 22, 2010

Mayor Scott Pigsley called the meeting to order at 9:04 AM. Fred Miller III, Jennie Maassen, David Hoffmann and Jerry Espeseth were present. John Butcher was absent. Motion by Miller, second by Espeseth to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Espeseth, second by Maassen to approve the consent agenda consisting of: Change order #6 Elm Street Project Phase 1, Pay Estimate #10 for Elm Street Project Phase I and May 4, 2010 minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Fichter let the council and public know that the City of Avoca just received news that we have received a CDBG grant for Housing rehabilitation funds in the amount of \$378,000 with the City matching \$22,000. The applicant will receive the funds as a 5 year forgivable loan, which is forgiven in 20% increments per year. For more information on this loan process please contact the City Clerk's office after July 1st.

The Council discussed the parking issue on South Pine street and came to an agreement that they would like Mr. Fichter to get engineer estimates for Water, Sewer, Storm water improvements and widening the street to 30 feet from May Street to Union Street. A couple of items that were brought up with doing project were: Sewer line ends at May and Pine and can the residents put a gravel driveway in if there is a gravel alley.

At the May 4th council meeting the council directed Mr. Fichter to run a public notice for selling the former lot addressed as 361 S Chestnut St. in a sealed bid process. We received 2 bids that the council needs to decide on at the June 1, 2010 meeting. The first bid was from Agriland FS for \$2,500 with no improvements at the current time with the idea of maybe somewhere down the line putting in a warehouse. The second bid was Martin and Sons Construction for \$500 with the commitment of building a Construction Workshop now that would appraise between \$35,000 to \$50,000.

Motion by Espeseth, second by Miller to adjourn at 10:13 AM. Motion Carried.

ATTEST:

Teresa M Hoepner, City Clerk