The regular meeting of the Colby Common Council was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Mayor James Schmidt. On roll call: Flink, O’Brien, T Schmidt, Lynn, Oestreich, Hederer and Kaiser. Thieme was absent. Also present were Mayor James Schmidt, Clerk Connie Gurtner, DPW Harland Higley Jr, Mike Voss of MSA Engineering and citizens.

**Agenda** was posted by the clerk. The agenda will stand as the order of the meeting.

**Minutes** of the February 7th council meeting were pre-read and reviewed.

Motion was made by T Schmidt, seconded by Hederer to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Financial Statement and Bills** were discussed. Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Oestreich to approve the financial statement and bills. The amounts approved are as follows: General Fund $629,279.39; Water Department $27,864.45; Sewer Department $106,769.15; Net payroll $17,801.15. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Colby-Abbotsford Police Commission** met on February 13th.

The commission approved minutes and expenditures.

Chief Bauer was not present as he was attending the Chiefs Conference in Wisconsin Dells. Activity Report for January 2017 was presented. President Schmidt said he thought the year to date header should be clarified on the Activity Report.

**Central Fire & EMS District** met on February 23rd.

Nancy O’Brien reported on the February activities of the district.

**Mayor Schmidt:** Mayor Schmidt reported on the meeting of the Clark County Economic Development Corporation.

Mayor Schmidt appointed Donna Klemke, Deb Ivacic and Henry Sanchez to serve as election inspectors. Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by O’Brien to approve the appointments. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Mayor Schmidt reviewed the 2016 Library Annual Report.

**Harland Higley:** The following building permits were issued: none

DPW Higley reported on the wells and pumping gallons from the water department. The tractor and stainless tank are on a surplus equipment site and are doing well. The compactor washer has increased the water consumption at the sewer treatment plant, but other than that, it is working well. DPW Higley has an estimate on some LED lights for the street lights on Highway 13.

**Engineer Mike Voss:** MSA is working the WPDS Permit that is due at the end of the month. They are trying to get the economic variance for the phosphorus limits because it will save the city money to use that variance.

**Picnic License:** St. Mary’s Knights of Columbus has requested a picnic license or a fish fry/boil for March 10th, 24th and April 7th at the Colby Lion’s Shelter. Motion was made by Kaiser, seconded by Hederer to approve. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Ordinance 2016-6 Amending Regulation of Fermented Malt Beverage, Wine or Intoxicating Liquor:** This ordinance updates our ordinance to comply with statutory changes allowing the municipality to issue intoxicating cider-only licenses; allowing licensed stores to be able to offer customers small amount samples of liquor, beer or wine; and allowing for the issuance of a temporary “beer or wine walk” license. This ordinance also includes wording to allow underage persons to be present on certain temporary licensed premises for the sole purpose of serving as a designated driver; establishes closing hours for Temporary Wine licensees; and allows for temporary operator to hold two licenses per year. Motion was made by O’Brien, seconded by Flink to approve the ordinance. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Ordinance 2016-9 Ordinance Regarding Payment of Engineering, Legal and other Fees by Benefitted Parties:** This ordinance creates a new Section 3-1-20 to enable the City to better charge back to private requesting parties the cost of professional services provided by the municipal attorney, engineer, planner and other such professionals serving the community to those private parties. Motion was made by T Schmidt, seconded by Lynn to approve the ordinance. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Committee meetings for March:**  Colby-Abbotsford Police Commission will meet on Monday, March 13, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. at the Police Department. Fire & EMS will meet on March 16, 2017 at 7:00 PM at the Town of Mayville. Personnel/Labor Relations Committee will meet on April 12, 2017 at 6:00 PM. Public Works Committee will meet on March 30, 2017 at 6:30 PM. City Planning Committee will meet on March 30, 2017 at 7:15 PM or immediately following Public Works.

**Adjourn:**  Motion was made by T Schmidt, seconded by O’Brien to adjourn at 7:15 PM. Motion carried with a voice vote.  
  
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James W Schmidt, Mayor

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 Connie Gurtner, Clerk