The regular meeting of the Colby Common Council was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Mayor James Schmidt. On roll call: Solberg, O’Brien, T Schmidt, Kolden, Hesgard, Oestreich, Hederer and Kaiser. Also present were Mayor James Schmidt, Clerk Gurtner and DPW Harland Higley Jr.

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

**Minutes** of the June 5th meeting were pre-read and reviewed. Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Hesgard to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Financial Statement and Bills** were discussed. Motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Solberg to approve the financial statement and bills. The amounts approved are as follows: General Fund $273,023.76; Water Department $81,887.90; Sewer Department $87,083.62; RLF Fund $10,920.00; Net payroll $20,323.76. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Comments from the Public**: Scott Haines introduced himself to the council and asked for support as he runs for the Clark County Sherriff.

Lloyd Kuehling asked the council to keep an open mind regarding the potential to allow slip and slides at the South 6th Street Park.

**Colby-Abbotsford Police Commission** met on June 11th.

The commission approved minutes and expenditures.

Purchase Portable Radio: Chief Bauer presented the committee with a quote from Motorola for a hand held portable radio in the amount of $1,325.00. With the addition of the SRO position, the department will need another radio for that officer. Bauer stated that the department was not happy with the brand of portable radios they currently have that were purchased through a grant and suggested the Motorola because of the quality and longevity. Bauer would eventually like to see all radios replaced with the Motorola model. Bauer said the money to purchase the radio could come out of the Metal Plate Fund. The commission approved the purchase. Motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Hederer to approve the purchase of a Motorola portable radio in the amount of $1,325.00 with the funds coming from the Metal Plate Fund. Motion carried with a voice vote.

School Resource Officer Update: Chief Bauer stated that both city councils and the Abbotsford and Colby school districts have approved the SRO position. Bauer will be meeting with both school superintendents later in the month to work on a SRO job description and a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) agreement between the department and the schools. The job description and MOU agreement will be presented to the Police Commission at the July meeting. Bauer is hoping to interview for the position in August with the hopes of having someone hired by the start of the school year. Bauer stated that two officers currently with the department have shown interest in applying for the SRO position. If one of them was designated for the SRO position following the interview process, the Police Commission would then consider one of the other interview candidates to fill the position left by the officer assigned to the SRO position. Schmidt said a representative from each school district would be designated to join the Police Commission during the interview process and would participate in ranking the candidates. Schmidt said the advertisement for the SRO position should include the option of being hired for a regular patrol position.

Chief’s Report: Chief Bauer reported on the K9 activity for the month. Two of the department’s squads were repaired this month, the oldest Durango squad for radiator issues and the Expedition for other maintenance. The new squad will not be ready to go until the end of June. The equipment will be installed on June 25. Jessica Weich has been out each Wednesday documenting ordinance violations.

**Central Fire & EMS District** met on June 14th.

The minutes from the June 14th Central Fire & EMS District were in the packet.

**Joint Review Board** met on June 20th.

The Joint Review Board met to review the Annual PE-300 report and approved the resolution acknowledging filing of annual reports and compliance with annual meeting requirements.

**Public Works Committee** met on July 2nd.

Wells #9, #12, #14 Plans: Mike Voss from MSA presented the committee with plans for the well project. The plans show how the water will be transmitted from the wells to the water treatment plant to be blended with water from other wells. Blending the water at the water treatment plant will take care of the high nitrate level that is being detected at Well’s #9 & #12. The plans are submitted to the DNR but Voss stated that if needed they can be changed. MSA will also be submitting the plans to the PSC. By having the plans completed and submitted the project will be shovel ready if needed. The City will hear in August if they received money from the safe drinking water loan or CDBG grant to help fund the project. The city crew did do some re-working of the fields near the wells to try and reduce the water run-off from the fields. The work was done with hopes that this would reduce the nitrate levels at the Well’s. The committee approved the plans.

Bids for Oxidation Ditch Cover at STP: The City received two bids for the construction of the cover over the oxidation ditch at the STP. The first bid was from Structures Unlimited in the amount of $140,870. The second bid was from Greystone Construction Co. in the amount of $360,860. The price difference in the two bids comes from the type of structure that would be constructed over the ditches. MSA offered to come to the STP and give an opinion on whether something other than a cover could be done to treat the issue with the oxidation ditches. Motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Solberg to approve the bid from Structures Unlimited in the amount of $140,870.00 for the oxidation ditch cover at the Sewer Treatment Plant contingent on MSA’s site visit to see if there is another option to treat the issue with the oxidation ditches. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Request from U.S. Cellular to Place Antenna on South Water Tower: U.S. Cellular is looking to place some equipment on top of and at the base of the south water tower. The company would do a site walk to prepare for the plans on the project. A site sketch of the project would be submitted to the City for approval. An employee from Lane tank would be available during the site walk with U.S. Cellular to make sure they are ok with the plans for mounting the equipment on the tank. Lane tank would also like to do a post inspection after the project is completed to make sure everything was installed properly. The committee discussed the type of equipment that would be installed and whether it would interfere with equipment already installed on the tower. The committee also looked over the proposed rental agreement with U. S. Cellular. Proposed monthly rent would be $1,000 per month but that number is negotiable. The representatives from U.S. Cellular would like to order a title search on the property if the City has interest in this project. The committee expressed interest in moving forward with the project. The request will be discussed further at another meeting.

**City Planning Committee** met on July 10th.

The committee held a hearing to consider a conditional use permit request for a kennel license from Ryan Hesgard and Robyn Klitzman. This request would be for three dogs at 520 N 3rd Street, Colby. The committee approved the permit in a public hearing prior to the council meeting. Motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by O’Brien to approve the conditional use permit for three dogs at 520 N 3rd Street. The city will review and consider complaints in one year. If we do not hear of any complaints, the conditional use permit will continue as issued. Motion carried with a voice vote.

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

**Clerk Gurtner:** Clerk Gurtner reported that the city set up some marking information in the CCEDC tent at the Farm Technology Days in Wood County. She also reported on a grant received from the League of WI Municipalities for the purchase of ergonomic office equipment.

**Harland Higley:** The following building permits were issued: Jason Lindeman, 405 N Main St, storage units/sign; Steve Kadolph, 204 S 2nd St, re-siding, stone, eaves, sidewalk from driveway to house; Jerome Heindl, 405 N 6th St, concrete driveway; Melissa Tollin, 207 E Clark St, 12 x 24 shed; Dan Hederer, 212 S 3rd St, re-roof; Jim Rau, 500 W Dolf St, replace driveway; Don Rogalla, 207 E Graves St, new roof; Mark & Gail Pernsteiner, 210 S 3rd St, re-roof; Forward Bank, 1122 N Division St, sign; Jamie Fleming/Brock Meyer, 207 Green Acres St, re-roof; Dennis & Cindy Koch, 603 E Terrace St, 12 x 24 shed; Terry Kayhart, 501 S Main St, concrete patio in driveway; Terry Jasmer, 315 & 317 N 1st St, re-roof.

DPW Higley reported on the water pumpage and well levels. The bidding process will start for the uranium filters for Well #14.

**Library Director Update on Building, Gazebo, Amphitheater & Landscaping:** Library Director Calmes reported the two-year project of the library construction is down to a punch list at this time. The gazebo project final pledge money has been received from the Woik family in memory of Denis Woik. The amphitheater has been put to good use. The current backdrop of the amphitheater is facing the road and CRC Lumber, so the library is working on the plans for a backdrop that will be donated by the Woik family and the Friends of the Library. She also reported that the Cheese Days book sale will be help in the old library location for 2018, but then the space will be vacant.

**South Sixth Street Park Slip and Slide Usage:** Clerk Gurtner reported to the council that some individuals had used the South 6th Street park for a slip and slide without permission. They had also lied about it being a church event when it was a private event. The council discussed in great detail the pros and cons of allowing the slip and slide on the hill. Motion was made by Hesgard, seconded by Schmidt to allow to usage of the park and a slip and slide, but the renter will pay for the water usage and the city will ask them to move the slide around the hill to avoid damage. This would be the rules until the parks committee reviews this in more detail. Roll call vote: Ayes – Hesgard, Schmidt, Solberg, Noes – Hederer, Kaiser, Kolden, O’Brien, Oestreich. Motion failed. Motion was made by Kolden, seconded by Hederer not to allow the use of a slip and slide in city parks until the Parks Committee creates procedures for usage. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Hederer, Hesgard, Kaiser, Kolden, O’Brien, Oestreich, Noes – Schmidt, Solberg. Motion carried.

**Operator’s Licenses:** Motion was made by Kolden, seconded by Hederer to approve the Operator’s License list dated 7/10/2018 as follows. Motion carried with a voice vote.

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| 28 | Jade Sales | W210 Pine Rd, Abbotsford, WI | Provision |
| 29 | Jeffrey Ruge | 309 W Butternut St, Abbotsford, WI | Bowl-Winkles 2 |
| 30 | Chadwick Kayhart | 104 E Marathon St, Colby, WI | Bowl-Winkles 2 |
| 31 | Emanuel Strack | 2556 Town Hall Rd, Athens, WI | Provision |
| 32 | Lony Oestreich | 201 N 3rd St | 14 day for Pulls |
| 33 | Matthew Taves | 804 S Cedar, Marshfield, WI | Bowl-Winkles 2 |
| 34 | Zachary Brockhaus | 315 N 7th St, Colby, WI | Provision |
| 35 | Dave Smith | 812 S Division St, Colby, WI | 14 day |

**Picnic License – Colby Pullers Club 7/21-22 & 8/11-12:** Motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Kaiser to approve the Picnic License for the Colby Pullers Club on 7/21-22 and 8/11-12. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Picnic License – St Mary’s Church – Ballpark – Cheese Days 7/12-15:** Motion was made by Hesgard, seconded by Kaiser to approve the Picnic License for St Mary’s Church to use the Ballpark for Cheese Days 7/12-15. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Committee meetings for July:**  Colby-Abbotsford Police Commission met on Monday, July 9, 2018 at 6:30 P.M. at the Police Department. Central Fire & EMS will meet on Thursday, July 19, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. at Station 1. Parks/Rec/Recycling Committee will meet on July 30, 2018 at 6:00 PM. Public Works Committee will meet on July 30, 2018 at 7:00 PM or immediately following Parks/Rec/Recycling meeting.

**Adjourn:**  Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Oestreich to adjourn at 7:55 PM. Motion carried with a voice vote.  
  
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James W Schmidt, Mayor

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 Connie Gurtner, Clerk