

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- AUGUST 17, 2015

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Erickson. The following Council members were present: Ozark, Sorensen, Durell, Karst, Schoenfelder, and Carr. Those also present were City Clerk Amundson, Police Chief Barstad, Fire Chief Brunelle, and City Attorney Helland. Eli Feezell and Brian Austin were also in attendance. The media was represented by Patrick Burr of the Glasgow Courier.

Eli Feezell led the pledge of allegiance.

Public Comment on any agenda item: NONE

Council member Sorensen made a motion approving the consent agenda including; claims for August 17, 2015 in the amount of \$78,321.94, and the minutes of the August 3, 2015 Regular Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Durell and carried unanimously.

Mayor Erickson introduced and offered for adoption 1st reading of **Ordinance No. 951** – An Ordinance of the City Council of Glasgow, Montana, Amending Section 18-62 of the City Code to Revise the Maximum Parking Time & Prohibiting Parking of Camper, RV, and Watercraft from December 1st through March 31st. Council member Durell made a motion to adopt **Ordinance No. 951** for first reading. The motion was seconded by Council member Schoenfelder; whereby **Ordinance No. 951** was unanimously adopted for first reading. Second reading of **Ordinance No. 951** will be September 8, 2015.

Mayor Erickson introduced and offered for adoption **Resolution No. 1985** – A Resolution Levying A Special Assessment for Unpaid Nuisance Weed Cutting and/or Removal for the Year 2015. Council member Sorensen moved for the adoption of **Resolution No. 1985**. The motion was seconded by Council member Durell; whereby **Resolution No. 1985** was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Erickson introduced and offered for adoption **Resolution No. 1987** – A Resolution Calling for Bids for the Sale of the Glasgow Police Department 2002 Ford Mustang. Council member Karst moved for the adoption of **Resolution No. 1987**. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr; whereby **Resolution No. 1987** was unanimously adopted.

Council member Sorensen made a motion approving the Extension Letter #20 between Marco and the City of Glasgow. The motion was seconded by Council member Schoenfelder, and carried unanimously.

Council member Durell made a motion to remove the light and street maintenance assessments from tax payer id#1091387000. The motion was seconded by Council member Karst. A couple of the council members drove by the property in question and stated the closest street light is about a block away and the road is gravel and the city hasn't maintained that gravel road. All voted in favor of removing the light and street maintenance assessments starting in fiscal year 2015-2016.

Council member Ozark made a motion approving the write off of \$227.92 in past water and sewer bills. The motion was seconded by Council member Schoenfelder. City Clerk Amundson explained that she has tried to contact the accounts in question, with no response. Some accounts have been on the books since last year. The residents have moved and the house was sold before the delinquent amounts could legally be assessed on taxes. Mayor Erickson wanted to know if these could be sent to a collection agency; City Clerk Amundson had looked into it in the past and since the city was able to assess it on taxes, it wasn't necessary according to a past city attorney. All voted in favor of the above motion.

Mayor Erickson stated the council meetings in September will be Tuesday September 8th and Monday September 21st due to the Labor Day Holiday.

Old Business:

-Levee Safety Committee Report – Mayor Erickson stated there will be a meeting tomorrow, Tuesday August 18 at 2:00 p.m. at the National Weather Service and Senator Tester’s office will be on the phone to help assist with the SWIF Plan.

- Update on GNDC noncompetitive grant – Mayor Erickson has talked to Brianna Vine at GNDC and the application should be submitted by the end of September, but in the mean time the city should be establishing a housing board to review the applications for assistance when the grant is awarded.

-Renovations on the T-33 Airplane – Mayor Erickson stated she has made three (3) phone calls and has submitted a letter.

Mayor Erickson also mentioned that the Valley Court appraisal should be completed by September 1st. There will be a City Attorney Committee meeting on Wednesday, along with a budget meeting.

Department Head Reports:

Police Chief Barstad mentioned the police department will be selling the 2003 Chevy Impala and they had a going away party for Lachlan and he hopes he will return on a part-time basis next year.

Fire Chief Brunelle stated he has been receiving phone calls on the fire truck issue. Council member Carr wanted to know the status of the fire truck that is in Terry, MT. Brandon said it was supposed to be returned over the weekend and he will call the chief again. Also, Carr wanted to know what the cost would be to have a functioning ladder truck instead of purchasing a new one. Brandon said that the truck is worth about \$15,000 to \$20,000.00 in good condition with all functioning parts. It would cost approximately \$60,000.00 to repair the hydraulic system in it.

Committee Reports: Personnel – None, Cemetery – There is a meeting after the council meeting tonight. Water and Ordinance – A meeting will be set once the information for the water changes are completed and an Ordinance meeting will be set as soon as the animal information is received. Grant – Mayor Erickson said that money has been received from Northwestern Energy and Wells Fargo for a bench downtown and Candy Cane Park.

Public Comment: None

Council member Schoenfelder made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Durell; meeting adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

ATTEST:

Stacey A. Amundson
City Clerk -Treasurer

Rebecca Erickson
Mayor