

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- OCTOBER 21, 2024

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Karst. The following Council members were present: Nistler, Koski, and Austin. Council member Carr attended via cell phone. Council members Ozark and Heitman were absent. DPW Skubinna and Chief Weber were in attendance. Candy Lagerquist, Madelyn House, Tess Fahlgren and Randon Stormer were also in attendance. City Clerk Amundson, City Attorney Pekovitch, and City Grant Writer Byers attended via Google Meets. There was no media representation.

Mayor Karst led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment on any Agenda Item: Madelyn House was in attendance to talk to the council about the steps to become a Tree City USA and changing the name of the beautification committee to the beautification and tree committee. This will be discussed on agenda item #8.

Council member Nistler made a motion approving the consent agenda including the payment of claims for October 21, 2024 in the amount of \$499,852.74, the Valley Court Apartment claims in the amount of \$518.95, the minutes of the October 7, 2024 Regular Council Meeting and **Resolution No. 3182** – A Resolution Establishing Budgetary Authority in the Bulletproof Vest Program for the Receipt and Expenditure of Monies Received from The Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program. The motion was seconded by Council member Koski, and carried unanimously.

Mayor Karst introduced and offered for adoption **Resolution No. 3183** – A Resolution Establishing a Special Revenue Fund for the Skate Park. Council member Koski moved for the adoption of **Resolution No. 3183**. The motion was seconded by Council member Austin; whereby **Resolution No. 3183** was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Karst introduced and offered for adoption **Resolution No. 3184** – A Resolution Establishing Budgetary Authority in the Skate Park Fund for the Receipt of Monies Received from Siding 45 and the City of Glasgow and Expenditure of Monies on the Care, Maintenance, and End of Life Costs. Council member Austin moved for the adoption of **Resolution No. 3184**. The motion was seconded by Council member Koski; whereby **Resolution No. 3184** was unanimously adopted. Council member Koski commented on how nice the Skate Park looks.

Council member Koski made a motion approving the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Glasgow and the Glasgow Police Department for a Two-Year Period 2024-2026. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, and carried unanimously.

City Clerk Amundson explained to be able to change the name of the beautification committee to the beautification and tree committee a resolution would have to be completed. Also, within this resolution the board members and terms can be established. Madelyn said that the city would be able to get grants for trees by having this completed. DNRC would also assist in choosing what trees would work in the sidewalks. DPW Skubinna asked if he could take the place of the mayor on the board as the city representative as he would like to be involved in this process. Council member Nistler suggested that this committee should be in charge of choosing the yard of the week. She asked Mayor Karst if he would sign the mayoral proclamation for Arbor Day. The mayor then read the proclamation and signed it.

Unfinished Business – Levee Safety Committee Report –DPW Skubinna said the next quarterly meeting will be held in January, since there isn't anything to discuss this quarter. Council member Koski talked about a grant that the City of Billings had received to improve their walking trail around the entire city. It was suggested to see if there is any grant that would assist in improving the levee and including it into a walking trail. DPW Skubinna said it could be a possibility, but it would have to be looked into.

Committee Reports: There were no reports for personnel or water. Mayor Karst commented that the cemetery department hasn't had a full burial since last year, it's all been for cremains. City Grant Writer Byers updated the council on the LWCF grant and has also put another request into them for additional funding. She has also submitted a grant application for the outdoor fitness area. An ordinance committee meeting will be held following this meeting.

Department Head Reports:

DPW Skubinna said that he had met with the MT Department of Transportation and they will be working on a maintenance agreement for 1st Avenue South and the underpass. He has finished reviewing the ISO results paperwork. Montana Rural Water, Marco, Valley County DES, and the city have been working on an emergency plan for the city's water source. He informed the council that the OshKosh snow blower sold for \$5,600.00. He has given City Clerk Amundson a listing of equipment that can be declared surplus to clear up the back lot. The street shop roof should be completed today. The lead service line inventory has been submitted and Pace is in town working on sewer cleaning.

Chief Weber mentioned his department has been busy. They will be closing Aberdeen and Bonnie Street for Halloween again this year. Heather Lane will not be closed, because he did not receive a plan from the residents in

that neighborhood. There will be a DUI training held at the police department tomorrow. The following week is Red Ribbon Week so the police department will be holding assemblies in the schools.

City Attorney Pekovitch told the council that she had spoken with MMIA about the sidewalk at the Rundle. She had Code Compliance Officer Dees go spray paint the lifted areas to provide people with extra notice that there is issues with that sidewalk. She is suggesting to the council to have this item on the next agenda for them to take action on and direct them to fix their sidewalk. She will be in town on Thursday for court and will meet with the departments.

Mayor Karst mentioned after the committee reviews the Growth Policy and Downtown Revitalization Plan then the suggestions will have to go to the Planning Board for their review and approval, then a recommendation will come to the city council for the adoption of the updated city documents. City Grant Writer Byers mentioned she is working on grant applications for funding for updating the Growth Policy and the city's CIP.

Public Comment: Candy updated the council on the fall that had happened in front of the Rundle again. She also inquired on the status of the Pankratz lot.

Council member Koski made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Nistler, the meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

ATTEST:

Stacey A. Amundson

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City Clerk-Treasurer

Rod Karst
Mayor