

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- JUNE 5, 2017

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Erickson. The following Council members were present: Sorensen, Karst, Carr, and Ozark. Council Members Heitman and Schoenfelder were absent. Those also present were City Clerk-Treasurer Amundson, Police Chief Barstad, Officer Fischer, Sergeant Edwards, Street Foremen Noser, DPW Kompel, and City Attorney Helland. There was no media representation.

Mayor Erickson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment on any agenda item: NONE

Council member Carr made a motion approving the consent agenda including, the payment of claims for June 5, 2017 in the amount of \$105,009.04, the Valley Court Apartment claims in the amount of \$3,532.64, the minutes of the May 15, 2017, Regular Council Meeting, and the minutes of the May 30, 2017, Special Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Sorensen and carried unanimously.

Mayor Erickson stated that the bid opening for the city's gas and diesel will now be conducted. The following one bid was received:

Ezzie's Wholesale, Inc
No.1 Diesel \$2.193 gal
No.2 Diesel \$1.9506 gal
Unleaded gas \$2.099 gal

Council member Karst made a motion to take the bids under advisement and allowing DPW Kompel to award to Ezzie's wholesale if all calculations are correct. The motion was seconded by Council member Sorensen and carried unanimously.

Council member Karst made a motion approving to pay the new health insurance rate of \$689.00 for the new fiscal year 2017-2018; this is the employee only portion of the premium). The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, and carried unanimously.

Mayor Erickson introduced and offered for adoption **Resolution No. 2042** – A Resolution Establishing a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan. Council member Sorensen moved for the adoption of **Resolution No. 2042**. The motion was seconded by Council member Ozark; whereby **Resolution No. 2042** was unanimously adopted.

Council member Karst made a motion approving to pay membership dues for 2017 to Great Northern Development Corporation in the amount of \$3,380.00. The motion was seconded by Council member Sorensen, and carried unanimously.

Old Business:

-Levee Safety Committee Report – The next meeting will be in July. On the June 19th meeting, Larry Mires property will be on the agenda for discussion.

- Update on GNDC noncompetitive grant – There was a housing board meeting on June 1st and the first three projects have been selected. Brianna will be working on contacting those individuals and will provide letters to those who have not been selected at this time, but are still eligible for the project. City Attorney Helland mentioned he received the contract to be signed via email, so the contract should be finalized within the next few days.

-Discussion on Street Maintenance charged to residents/business owners on 1st Street North – Council member Sorensen stated she has spoken with other communities and they do not charge different for gravel vs. paved roads. Mayor Erickson asked the council if it would be ok for her to write a letter to those business owners within the 1st Street North Area to let them know the charges will remain the same.

Committee Reports: Mayor Erickson would like to set a personnel meeting for next week to discuss new hire reviews starting at 3 months and then having one each month up to their 6 month probationary period. This would affect union employees, since their probationary period is 6 months as stated in their contract. Mayor Erickson would like to set a Water Committee meeting to discuss the upcoming water line repair project. This will be set when DPW Kompel has more information. Council members Karst and Ozark met with Dan at the Cemetery to discuss the damage that had been done to a bench that was accidentally hit while mowing. Police Chief Barstad mentioned the Homeland Security Grant will now be submitted to the federal government for their review and we should know if the Police Department is awarded a monetary amount in October of this year. Also, there is no report from MBCC on the grants. There was no report for Ordinance.

Department Head Reports:

Mayor Erickson told those in attendance that she has met with the Commissioners and they would still like to give the city the Red Rock Plaza. If the city doesn't want it, they will look at selling it. They would be willing to sign an agreement making the county liable for any environmental issues that may arise.

Police Chief Barstad mentioned they went to the Irlle School and did a bike safety class for the Kindergarten through second grade classes. With the help of MDU and State Farm donating a total of \$1,000.00 they were able to purchase 30 bike helmets, training and education information, and ice cream for the kids bike ride that was held over the weekend.

Street Foreman Noser said the handicapped spaces have been repainted through town; they've been prepping the valley gutters, working on street sweeping, and will start durapatching when the valley gutters are completed.

DPW Kompel stated the two (2) other summer laborers have started, the paving project is underway, and the two (2) new water/sewer employees will start on June 21st and June 26th. He will be working with the City Attorney on new easements for the water line repair project. He also mentioned that he had a conference call with DEQ on May 22nd and they will continue the waiver for the Total Organic Compounds for the City of Glasgow.

City Clerk Amundson said budget requests will be going out to the department heads within the next couple of weeks and GNDC is starting the grant application for a planning grant to conduct a Preliminary Architecture Report for the Valley Court Apartments.

Public Comment: Council member Ozark wanted the council to consider having members at large on the council since it can be difficult getting members of the community to serve on the council. Sometimes having council wards in place makes it difficult for those who may want to serve, but do not live in the ward that is up for election.

Council member Karst made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Sorensen the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

Stacey Amundson
City Clerk-Treasurer

Rebecca Erickson
Mayor