

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Erickson. The following Council members were present: Heitman, Karst, Schoenfelder, Sorensen, Ozark, and Council Member Carr via phone. Those also present were City Clerk-Treasurer Amundson, DPW Kompel, and Police Chief Barstad. There was no media representation.

Mayor Erickson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment on any agenda item: NONE

Council member Schoenfelder made a motion approving the consent agenda including, the payment of claims for September 6, 2017 in the amount of \$64,083.18, the payment of Valley Court Claims in the amount of \$5,883.26, and the minutes of the August 21, 2017, Regular Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman, and carried unanimously.

Council member Karst made a motion approving the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year Mills in the amount of 274.13, with all being allocated to the General Fund. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, and carried unanimously.

DPW Kompel spoke about the interviews for the Street Foreman Position. Both applicants that were interviewed did very well. There was a point difference between the two. Three (3) Council members recommended Mr. DeGreek while the other two (2) recommended Mr. Ingram. One council member had to abstain from the recommendation since they were unable to participate in the interview process. Council member Sorensen made a motion approving the hire of Nicholas DeGreek for the open Street Foreman Position, and if he were to decline the offer, the position be made available to Seth Ingram. The motion was seconded was Council member Schoenfelder, and carried unanimously.

Old Business:

-Levee Safety Committee Report – There is an upcoming SilverJackets Meeting in Helena.

- Update on GNDC noncompetitive grant – The city has received three (3) RFQ's for Contractors after the second publication. An email has been sent to each one requesting additional information. A walk-through of the first project is scheduled for Thursday September 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am.

Committee Reports: There was no report for Personnel. There will be a water committee meeting on Thursday September 7<sup>th</sup> at noon. The Mayor read a letter from Judy Hueth praising the Cemetery Department on how well the cemetery looks this year. Chief Barstad mentioned his department was not awarded a grant from MDT for new speed feed signs. An ordinance committee will be set soon to discuss metal siding and quonsets in residential areas, construction projects that are not being completed, and revising the current noise ordinance.

Department Head Reports:

Mayor Erickson stated the commissioners meeting has changed from this Wednesday to next Wednesday the 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. The Police Department negotiations are currently on hold until the city hears back about the MMIA insurance. Currently, FMDH will not sign with Allegiance due to the change in medical coding with the new reference based pricing. This is being worked out. Mayor Erickson also wanted to thank Markles for creating additional parking spots downtown in one of their parking lots.

DPW Kompel passed out a memo regarding the feasibility of utilizing reclaimed reuse water at Sullivan Park. It can be accomplished, but modifications will need to be made to the Wastewater Treatment Facility that could be costly. The Recreation Board will have to discuss this to see which way they would like to go.

Police Chief Barstad said the department has been patrolling around the schools and the speed feed signs have been relocated to 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue South.

City Clerk Amundson mentioned there is an opening on the MMIA Board if anyone is interested. Also, the first preliminary budget meeting is set for Monday September 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:30.

Public Comment: NONE

Council member Sorensen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman the meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Stacey Amundson  
City Clerk-Treasurer

Becky Erickson  
Mayor