

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- NOVEMBER 16, 2020

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Erickson. The following Council members were present: Karst, Young, and Heitman. Council members Nistler, Carr, and Ozark attended via conference call. Those also present were DPW Kompel, Assistant DPW Cook, Assistant Chief Edwards, and City Attorney Sullivan. City Clerk Amundson attended via Google meets. Neil Levang from Morrison-Maierle Inc attended via conference call. There was no media representation.

Mayor Erickson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment on any agenda item: NONE

Council member Young made a motion approving the consent agenda including the payment of claims for November 16, 2020 in the amount of \$128,352.93, the Valley Court Apartment claims in the amount of \$2,793.75, and the minutes of the November 2, 2020 Regular Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman and carried unanimously.

Council member Karst made a motion approving the September 2020 Financials. The motion was seconded by Council member Young, and carried unanimously.

Mayor Erickson introduced and offered for adoption **Resolution No. 3050** – A Resolution Appointing a Firefighter of the Glasgow Fire Department for A Probationary Period of Six (6) Months – Michael Uphues. Council member Karst moved for the adoption of **Resolution No. 3050**. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman; whereby **Resolution No. 3050** was unanimously adopted.

Assistant Chief Edwards stated that Officer Weber went to Missoula to do an in person background check on a potential candidate for the open officer position. A psychological test still needs to be completed on the individual. Council member Young made a motion to approve the hiring of an officer for the open position in the Police Department contingent on the background check and psychological test. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman, and carried unanimously.

Neil Levang from Morrison-Maierle was in attendance via conference call to review the change order #4 for Sletten Construction for the Water Improvements Project. The change order in the amount of \$26,494.93. After the review Council member Young made a motion approving Change Order #4 to Sletten Construction in the amount of \$26,494.93. The motion was seconded by Council member Karst, and carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business:

- Levee Safety Committee Report – There was no report.
- Update on GNDC noncompetitive grant – No Updated Report

Mayor Erickson stated TBID has purchased 17 new hanging baskets for downtown and they have been filled with Christmas décor. She has been in contact with Richard from the Armory to schedule an appraisal; which is tentatively scheduled for January 2021. She would like the approval to purchase Chamber Bucks on the December 7th agenda for both full and part-time employees. She mentioned that the Department of Justice has contacted her and would like to set up an educational forum to discuss racial biases for members of the community. She will be out for the December 7th meeting, so Council member Karst will run the meeting.

Committee Reports: There were no reports for Personnel, Water, Grant, or Cemetery.

Council member Karst reported on the Ordinance Committee meeting that was held prior to the council meeting. They discussed the fee structure for snow removal, which will model the weedy lot ordinance and how to handle damaged or abandoned buildings.

Department Head Reports:

Assistant DPW Cook told the council that he has already mailed out letters about snow removal issues and the 5th Avenue sewer main replacement project was on hold last week due to the weather.

DPW Kompel said he will be meeting with an ISO representative on Wednesday this week.

City Attorney Sullivan said that she's been working on cases and she has been asked to talk at Montana State University.

Assistant Chief Edwards mentioned Chief Gault will be going to pick up new police cars this week, COVID replacement money will be used, and that calls for service are down.

Council member Karst stated that the pool committee has reached one million dollars in donations.

Public Comment: NONE

Council member Karst made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Young the meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

ATTEST:

Stacey A. Amundson

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City Clerk Treasurer

Rebecca Erickson
Mayor