

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- RESCHEDULED SEPTEMBER 27, 2021

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Mayor Erickson. The following Council members were present: Heitman, Ozark, Nistler, Karst, and Carr. Council member Koski was absent. Those also present were Acting Captain Weber, Officer Nolan, Officer Ames, Officer Dick, and City Attorney Sullivan. City Clerk Amundson attended via Google Meets. Gary Weber, Michael Ames, Brien Gault, Kevin Blagg, and Jake Kinder were also in attendance. The media was represented by Chris McDaniel from the Glasgow Courier.

Mayor Erickson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment on any Agenda Item: NONE

Council member Nistler made a motion approving the consent agenda, the payment of claims for September 27, 2021 in the amount of \$314,129.69, the Valley Court Apartment claims in the amount of \$3,568.49, and the minutes of the September 7, 2021 Regular Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, and carried unanimously.

Council member Carr made a motion approving the June 2021 financials. The motion was seconded by Council member Karst and carried unanimously.

Council member Heitman made a motion appointing Robert Weber to the Chief of Police position effective September 28, 2021. The motion was seconded by Council member Nistler, and carried unanimously.

Mayor Erickson then performed the oath of office for Robert Weber.

Council member Karst inquired on moving the City Judge to the Armory Building. Chief Weber mentioned additional remodeling would need to be done to have a space for the judge. The consensus was to keep the City Judge in the current location and revisit this over the next couple of years. Council member Karst made a motion to approve the City Court lease between the City of Glasgow and Valley County for a three (3) year period effective October 1, 2021 until September 30, 2024. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman, and carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business:

- Levee Safety Committee Report – No Report
- Update on GNDC noncompetitive grant – No Updated Report.

Mayor Erickson mentioned she had received a phone call from Ted Morris from Lawrence Construction and they are looking at replacing 19 wooden bridges with concrete. They will be at the Job Fair on Thursday September 30th from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. They would like to hire 25 to 35 people from the Valley County area and construction would be from May to November 2022 to 2024.

Committee Reports: There were no reports for Cemetery or Grant. A personnel committee meeting has been set for Monday October 4th following the council meeting to discuss a request from City Judge Morehouse-Mix. Mayor Erickson would like a wage compensation committee meeting to clarify Chief and Captain wages. This meeting has been set for 4:00 pm on Monday October 4th. Mayor Erickson said a water committee meeting needs to be set, but will talk with DPW Kompel to see what will work; we need to discuss funding for the water transmission main project, since the city was not awarded the competitive ARPA funding grant. An ordinance committee meeting will be set after we receive additional information on recreational marijuana laws.

Department Head Reports:

Chief Weber said the entryway remodeling is complete and is looking at holding an open house for the public around the third (3rd) week in October. The new replacement speed feed sign came in and he will get it in service and put up around the Lomond area. The newly purchased police vehicle should be here at the end of the week and the potential new hire for the police department passed the background check.

City Attorney Sullivan stated she has a number of pending court cases and has been working with the City Judge on organization and procedures. She had to evict a tenant from the Valley Court Apartments.

City Clerk Amundson told the council that two of the city's annual financial reports have been submitted to the state and she is working on the large report that is due at the end of December.

Mayor Erickson stated we will take a quick recess as we wait for the pool committee to show up to give a status report.

Public Comment: Council member Karst updated the council on the swim pool status. He said that the committee is looking into a Memorandum of Understanding between the city and county to be able to put a levy on the ballot for the public to vote on. Currently, the pool has about 1.5 million in donations and pledges, but need around 3.2 million for construction. The committee will continue to do fund raising to lower the amount that may have to be levied. The grant that was awarded will expire in 2023 if construction has not been started.

Council member Carr made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman the meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

Stacey A. Amundson

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City Clerk-Treasurer

Rebecca Erickson
Mayor