

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- June 3, 2019

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Erickson. The following Council members were present: Heitman, Carr, Karst and Ozark. Council members Nistler and Schoenfelder were absent. Those also present were Utility Billing Clerk Doke, Chief Gault, Street Foreman Runningen, and City Attorney Anna Rose Sullivan. Dan and Richard Miller and Curt Bass from Century Construction were also in attendance. There was no media representation.

Mayor Erickson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Richard Miller was in attendance to talk to the council about the water drainage issue by his house on 4th Street North. This year there was a jam and ended up flooding his basement. A file was submitted to MMIA, the city's insurance carrier, and it was denied because it was from a natural run off and not from negligence from the city. He also wanted to know if this can be addressed so it doesn't happen next year. A committee of DPW Kompel, Dan and Richard Miller, Street Foreman Runningen, Council member Heitman, and Sam Gunderman has been established to resolve this issue. Mayor Erickson asked Utility Billing Clerk Doke to be in charge of this committee.

Public Comment on any agenda item: NONE

Council member Karst made a motion approving the consent agenda including, the payment of claims for June 3, 2019 in the amount of \$185,456.63, the Valley Court Apartment Claims in the amount of \$3,490.90, and the minutes of the May 20, 2019, Regular Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, and carried unanimously.

Mayor Erickson stated the bid opening for the City's Sidewalk Concrete Project will now take place. There were three (3) bids received. One bid was actually received at 5.02 p.m. and the council voted to reject this bid, since it did not come in by 5:00 p.m. as advertised. The two (2) other bids are as follows:

Century Companies, Inc – Lewistown – Base bid - \$177,104.00 and Alternate A \$89,515.00.

Performance Concrete – Fort Peck – Base Bid - \$220,835.20 and Alternate A \$106,697.00.

Council member Carr made a motion to take the bids under advisement so DPW Kompel can review both bids and bring a recommendation to the June 17th meeting for award. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman, 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 \$2.4471 gal

No.2 Diesel \$2.1037 gal

Unleaded gas \$2.4052 gal

Council member Karst made a motion to take the bid under advisement. The motion was seconded by Council member Ozark, and carried unanimously.

Mayor Erickson explained that the city currently pays \$8,568.00 per employee towards insurance, the new rate effective July 1 will then increase to \$9,252.00 per employee, which calculates to \$17,100.00 annually for the city for all employees. Mayor Erickson asked Street Foreman Runningen to review this increase with the union members and ask to see if they would be willing to take the health insurance increase instead of an hourly rate increase. The County pays 85% of the insurance rate and the employee pays the remaining. Council member Ozark mentioned the county has a permissible levy that assists with this cost. The council is not ready to make a final decision on the rate increase and would like it on the next agenda for decision.

There were four colors for the council to choose from to recoat the Elevated Water Tower. Council member Karst made a motion to recoat the water tower in light blue. The motion was seconded by Council member Ozark. Council member Heitman voted for off white. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

-Levee Safety Committee Report – A meeting is set for June 18th at 2:00 p.m. in the council chambers. A representative from Tester's Officer will be in attendance.

- Update on GNDC noncompetitive grant – NONE

Council member Carr reported on the census training he attended. He mentioned the emphasis was on education the people on what the census is and how to fill out the paperwork. The next meeting is June 20, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in the commissioner's office.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Erickson mentioned there are a few more plants to hang downtown and the feedback from the public has been positive. The city will be taking over management of Valley Court effective July 1, 2019; we received a letter from the Housing Authority cancelling the contract. She met with the Department of Transportation today and they are ready to do the striping and signage by the end of June. The Commissioners meeting will be this Wednesday at 10:00 am.

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

Department Head Reports:

City Attorney Sullivan said she met with Jory about the Swim Team contract, which is now completed and is currently working on the Red's Baseball Contract. She will be on vacation from June 14th to the 23rd, and she is working on the Nemont Manor Contract between the City of Glasgow and Affiliated Developers.

Street Foreman Runningen told the council the painting for the crosswalks and handicapped spots were completed last week, more sweeping has been done, and starting working on pot holes today. His department is working on the Levee and an inspection was held today.

Police Chief Gault mentioned they received word from the Montana Board of Crime Control that they should be receiving additional money, but will have a phone call on June 13th to receive additional information. Kathy is also working on another grant that will be strictly law enforcement based for a three (3) year period in the amount of around \$95,000.00. The three (3) patrol cars are in Billings waiting to get the lettering put on them. The catfish days went well.

Public Comment: NONE

Council member Carr made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman, the meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

ATTEST:

Alicia Doke
Utility Billing Clerk

Rebecca Erickson
Mayor