

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- APRIL 18, 2022

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Mayor Karst. The following Council members were present: Austin, Heitman, Carr, and Ozark. Council members Koski and Nistler were absent. Also present were Captain Edwards, Compliance Officer Dees, Water/Wastewater Supervisor Dodd, Street Foreman Runningen, Dan Miller, and City Attorney Sullivan. City Clerk Amundson attended via Google Meets. Kaden Bedwell from Interstate Engineering and Preston Murch were in attendance. There was no media representation.

Mayor Karst 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 April 18, 2022 in the amount of \$112,853.95, the Valley Court Apartment claims in the amount of \$1,683.61, and the minutes of the April 4, 2022 Regular Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman, and carried unanimously.

Mayor Karst said that Amadeo Lampfier was supposed to be in attendance to update the council on the cutting of the trees in the cemetery. He mentioned that half of the trees have been cut already. Dan Miller stated that they have been cut down to 2' in height and they will spray the stumps so there is no new growth on them. Dan will be able to pull them out of the ground when he has time and will do a call before you dig because of the fiber optic cable that is buried in that area. If the city is looking at replacing those trees, he will have to run sprinkler lines out to that area so new trees could be watered.

Mayor Karst introduced and offered for adoption **Resolution No. 3093** – A Resolution Repealing Resolution No. 2008 – Authorizing and Directing the Director of Public Works to Place Traffic Control Devices at the Intersection of 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue South and 5<sup>th</sup> Street South and the Intersection of 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue South and 6<sup>th</sup> Street South and Repealing Resolution No. 3006 – Authorizing and Directing the Director of Public Works to Place Traffic Control Devices on the South Side of 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue South. Council member Ozark moved for the adoption of **Resolution No. 3093**. The motion was seconded by Council member Austin. There was discussion on Resolution No. 3006 and what traffic control device it was for. After further discussion Council member Ozark moved to table **Resolution No. 3093**. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr; whereby **Resolution No. 3093** was tabled until the May 2, 2022, Regular Council Meeting.

Council member Ozark reported on the Water Committee Meeting. The committee is recommending the continuation of the 2% base rate increase on water and sewer for another five (5) year period. Council member Carr made a motion to continue the 2% base rate increase for both water and sewer for another five (5) year period. The motion was seconded by Council member Austin, and carried unanimously.

Council member Ozark reviewed the proposed employee retention schedule. For employees with 0-5 years, it would be \$50.00 per year, 6-10 years it would be \$75.00 per year, and for 11 years and up, \$100.00 per year. Council member Heitman moved to approve the employee retention schedule. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, and carried unanimously.

Council member Ozark made a motion to hire David Hill and Adam Morehouse for the two (2) open water operator positions based on the recommendation from the water interview committee. The motion was seconded by Council member Austin, and carried unanimously.

Mayor Karst mentioned he would like to appoint Becky Erickson, Betty Stone, and Madeline House to the City of Glasgow's Downtown Beautification Committee. There is money left over from a grant to allow them to purchase flowers and plants for the hanging baskets downtown for the upcoming all class reunion.

Unfinished Business:

- Levee Safety Committee Report – Mayor Karst stated there was a meeting with DNRC and he met with Shay from FEMA. The city currently has an ordinance from 1985 that needs to be updated to be in compliance and allows the city to receive assistance from FEMA if needed. City Attorney Sullivan will update the ordinance and when that is completed an Ordinance Committee meeting will be set.
- Update on GNDC noncompetitive grant – No Updated Report.

Mayor Karst told the council that he's been meeting with department heads on Fridays when he is available.

Committee Reports: There was no report for Cemetery. Mayor Karst stated that we have one application for the DPW position and he would like to interview him. Council member Ozark suggested having the entire council interview the applicant. A water committee meeting needs to be set to discuss the bulk water rate and the job descriptions for the water department. Captain Edwards told the council the grant application for the OVW grant has been submitted. City Attorney Sullivan said she should be able to have the 1985 ordinance for FEMA assistance ready to go by next week and then set a meeting.

Department Head Reports:

Dan Miller said his summer help started today. He will also be working on trenching electrical in for the front gate, he would like to eventually have lighting installed there and at some point, have a waterfall fountain at the entrance.

Street Foreman Runningen said his department has been working on snow removal, the sander is up and going again, they have been clearing clogged catch basins, filling pot holes, and the new mowers should be delivered next week.

Water/Wastewater Supervisor Dodd mentioned she has received more information on leak detection that can be used for the transmission main to see if the leak in the line can be located. She's been dealing with issues at the treatment plant and she had ordered repair kits for the lift station pumps and motors.

Captain Edwards reported on the police department happenings and it's been business as usual.

City Attorney Sullivan mentioned she has a trial coming up next week.

Code Compliance Officer Dees stated he is working with City Attorney Sullivan on letters that can be mailed out to address abandoned houses. He has issued a couple of permits for buildings to demolished and working with Interstate Engineering on building permits.

Public Comment: None

Council member Austin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr the meeting adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

ATTEST:

*Stacey A. Amundson*

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City Clerk - Treasurer

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Rod Karst  
Mayor