

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- APRIL 19, 2021

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Mayor Erickson. The following Council members were present: Heitman, Karst, Ozark, Nistler, Carr, and Young. Those also present were DPW Kompel, Chief Gault, Captain Edwards, Officer Nolan, and City Attorney Sullivan. City Clerk Amundson attended via Google Meets. Sheriff Tom Boyer, Roy Dean Jimison, Kelly Seifert, and Stan Sonsteng were also in attendance. Chris McDaniel representing the Glasgow Courier was in attendance. Lisa Baxter called into the conference line at 5:10 p.m.

Mayor Erickson 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 19, 2021 in the amount of \$81,900.68, the Valley Court Apartment claims in the amount of \$438.61, and the minutes of the April 5, 2021 Regular Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Young, and carried unanimously.

Council member Young made a motion awarding the 2021 paving bid to Century Companies, Inc in the amount of \$225,506.00. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, and carried unanimously.

Council member Karst made a motion approving the call for bids for the City of Glasgow's Repurchase Agreement for June 1, 2021 to May 31, 2022. The motion was seconded by Council member Nistler, and carried unanimously.

Council member Nistler made a motion approving the three (3) year audit contract between Anderson Zurmuehlen and the City of Glasgow. City Clerk Amundson stated that the first year of the contract will be the same as last fiscal year at \$35,000.00 and will go up \$1,000.00 each year for the following two (2) years. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, and carried unanimously.

Council member Ozark reported on the Wage Comp Committee meeting that was held on April 5, 2021. It was decided to recommend starting summer laborers on the Wage Matrix at a 3-1, which is a wage of \$11.49 per hour. Council member Young made a motion approving the recommendation from the Wage Comp Committee to start seasonal employees at \$11.49 per hour. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman, and carried unanimously.

Council member Ozark made a motion approving the fiscal year 2021-2022 wages effective July 1, 2021. The motion was seconded by Council member Nistler, and carried unanimously.

Mayor Erickson introduced and offered for adoption at first reading **Ordinance No. 974** – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glasgow, Montana, Amending Glasgow's Building Code to Provide a Minimum Standards to Safeguard Life, Health, Property, and General Welfare of the Public by Regulating and Controlling the Methods and Procedures for Demolishing and Disposing of Buildings and Structures Thereby Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Glasgow, Montana. Council member Carr moved for the adoption of **Ordinance No. 974** for first reading. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman; whereby **Ordinance No. 974** was unanimously adopted for first reading. The second reading of **Ordinance No. 974** will be at the May 3, 2021 council meeting.

Mayor Erickson introduced and offered for adoption at first reading **Ordinance No. 975** – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glasgow, Montana, Amending Glasgow's Zoning Regulations for Home Based Occupation Thereby Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Glasgow, Montana. Council member Ozark moved for the adoption of **Ordinance No. 975** for first reading. The motion was seconded by Council member Nistler; whereby **Ordinance No. 975** was unanimously adopted for first reading. The second reading of **Ordinance No. 975** will be at the May 3, 2021 council meeting.

Mayor Erickson introduced and offered for adoption at first reading **Ordinance No. 976** – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glasgow, Montana Amending Home Occupation Licenses and Home Occupation Requirements for Home Based Businesses and Thereby Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Glasgow, Montana. Council member Nistler moved for the adoption of **Ordinance No. 976** for first reading. The motion was seconded by Council member Ozark; whereby **Ordinance No. 976** was unanimously adopted for first reading. The second reading of **Ordinance No. 976** will be at the May 3, 2021 council meeting.

Mayor Erickson stated that she would like to set a Policy and Procedure committee meeting to discuss implementing a policy to allow employees to allocate a portion of their sick leave into their deferred compensation account. City Clerk Amundson then explained that she had talked with the auditors and Britani at MMIA to see if this was possible. Britani said that they have a policy at MMIA and she emailed it to City Clerk Amundson, so the city can modify it to fit our needs if the policy and procedure committee recommends putting this into place. She also gave an example on how it would work. A meeting has been set for May 3, 2021 at 3:45 p.m.

Unfinished Business:

- Levee Safety Committee Report – There will be an in person meeting with DNRC on May 26th. They will send out additional information closer to the meeting date.
- Update on GNDC noncompetitive grant – No Updated Report

Mayor Erickson said the purchase of the Armory is moving forward. They hired Joe Herbold to do the appraisal and by the second week in June, everything should be finalized. There was a conference call with Tester's office last week to discuss funding for the infrastructure projects and the America Rescue Plan. Glasgow will be receiving approximately \$804,000.00 from this. She is still waiting to hear on the grant for the Underpass mural project that will be completed by Cat McIntyre. She also mentioned that a Valley Court Committee meeting needs to be set to address some issues. It is set for Thursday April 22, at noon. City Clerk Amundson stated that Beki Brandborg has submitted a letter of interest to acquire the apartments to the state and will apply for funding. We should have an answer by this fall.

Committee Reports: There were no reports for Personnel, Water, Cemetery, or Ordinance. Chief Gault mentioned he should know if the city has been awarded the VOCA grant by mid-June.

Department Head Reports:

City Clerk Amundson stated the league conference will be held October 6-8, 2021 in Helena at the Great Northern Hotel. She has also been working on reports requested by the Library Finance committee.

Council member Heitman said the new fire truck is almost ready to go into service.

Captain Edwards reviewed the calls for service.

City Attorney Sullivan said she has reviewed the contracts for the Red's and Kiwanis Swim Team.

DPW Kompel told the council that he has received complaints about speeding in the Aberdeen area and will check the signage for enforcement. He is also going to be looking into the complaint on motor cross bikes at the old landfill. Agri-Industries have started on the Valve Vault rehab project and there will be a 24 hour shut down period, but it will be done overnight so it doesn't affect the production of water.

Public Comment: Sheriff Tom Boyer was in attendance and mentioned he has received complaints out on Skylark Road for motor cross bikes that are speeding and riding off the paths out at the old landfill. Roy Dean Jimison, Kelly Siefert, and Stan Sonsteng voiced their concerns on this issue because of the dry tall grass that is in the area that the kids are riding through and don't want a fire to start. There was more discussion on this issue and a meeting with the Sheriff's department, city police department, property owners in the surrounding area, and the Mayor is set for Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. to talk about how to address these issues.

Council member Carr made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Nistler the meeting adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

ATTEST:

Stacey A. Amundson

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City Clerk Treasurer

Rebecca Erickson
Mayor