

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- OCTOBER 2, 2023

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Karst. The following Council members were present: Austin, Nistler, Koski, Ozark, Heitman, and Carr. Also present were Chief Weber, Water/Wastewater Supervisor Dodd, Street Foreman Runningen, and Grant Writer Ryan. Candy Lagerquist, Mike Carney, Michael and Kala Pederson, and Kaden Bedwell from Interstate Engineering were also in attendance. City Clerk Amundson and City Attorney Pekovitch attended via Google Meets. The media was represented by Michelle Bigelbach of the Glasgow Courier.

Mayor Karst led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment on any Agenda Item: There was no Public Comment.

Council member Austin made a motion approving the consent agenda including the payment of claims for October 2, 2023 in the amount of \$259,210.83, the Valley Court Apartment claims in the amount of \$1,841.70, the minutes of the September 18, 2023 Regular Council Meeting, and **Resolution No. 3146** – A Resolution Establishing Budgetary Authority in the City County Library Fund for the Receipt and Expenditure of a Donation Received from Nemont Telephone. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr and carried unanimously.

Council member Koski made a motion approving the financial for May and June 2023. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, and carried unanimously.

Mike Carney was in attendance to talk to the council about the water break that happened in August at his rental property on Aberdeen. He said a claim had been submitted to MMIA, but they would only pay up to \$5,000.00 for a no-fault claim. The cost of the repairs is a lot more than that and he would like to be compensated for it. He voiced his frustration with the city's insurance company. Mayor Karst asked City Attorney Pekovitch to contact MMIA to see if there is anything else that can be done. She will touch base with MMIA and report back.

Council member Austin made a motion approving the LSC, Inc change order in the amount of \$3,480.00 for the sewer separation project. The motion was seconded by Council member Nistler, and carried unanimously.

Council member Nistler made a motion approving the professional services agreement between the City of Glasgow and Great West Engineering in the amount of \$71,300.00 to update the city's SWIF plan. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman and carried unanimously.

Kaden Bedwell from Interstate Engineering was in attendance for the swim pool bathhouse remodel bid advertisement. He said that he had met with the committee to discuss whether or not to demolish the current bathhouse and rebuild or to just remodel the bathhouse. Plans for a new bathhouse have not been completed at this time. The swim pool committee decided that a new bathhouse would be better and would like permission for Interstate to move forward with new plans. The council agreed to have Interstate draft building plans for the bathhouse to be bid.

Mayor Karst mentioned he had received a petition to close Bonnie Street on Halloween and suggested closing Aberdeen due to the amount of people in those neighborhoods. In the petition the time suggested was from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Chief Weber thought it was a good idea and they could always try it out to see how it would work. Some of the council members suggested different times for closure. After further discussion the council would like to receive public input on this before making a final decision and want this issue placed on the next agenda.

Committee Reports: There were no reports for personnel, water, grant, or cemetery. City Clerk Amundson stated she is waiting for City Attorney Pekovitch to send her the revised ordinances for the committee's review before setting a meeting.

Department Head Reports:

Chief Weber said his department has been busy. Captain Edwards has been working on an advertisement to recruit new officers. They are in the process of getting the playground equipment installed; there was ground work that had to be completed first before the equipment can be assembled. There will also be a training done in the schools this Friday.

Water/Wastewater Supervisor Dodd talked about the water break that had happened up on Park Street. Also, since water usage is going down her department will be working on operations and maintenance items that need to be completed.

Street Foreman Runningen told the council that his department had been assisting with the Park Street water break, getting the parks mowed, and street sweeping.

Mayor Karst mentioned the next levee committee meeting will be on the 18th of October and two (2) houses within the city limits have been torn down.

Public Comment: NONE

Council member Nistler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Koski, the meeting adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

ATTEST:

Stacey A. Amundson

Stacey Amundson
City Clerk - Treasurer

Rod Karst
Mayor