

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- NOVEMBER 20, 2017

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Erickson. The following Council members were present: Sorensen, Karst, Heitman, and Ozark. Council member Carr arrived at 5:40 p.m. and Council member Schoenfelder was absent. Those also present were City Clerk-Treasurer Amundson, DPW Kompel, Sergeant Edwards, Police Chief Barstad, Street Foreman DeGreek, and City Attorney Helland. Terry and Todd Archambeault from T&R Trucking and Josh and Rocky Thompson from Thompson and Sons Trucking were also in attendance. There was no media representation.

Mayor Erickson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment on any agenda item: NONE

Council member Sorensen made a motion approving the consent agenda including, the payment of claims for November 20, 2017 in the amount of \$113,745.79, and the minutes of the November 6, 2017 Regular Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman, and carried unanimously.

The public hearing for the City of Glasgow's preliminary budget was held. There was no one in attendance for or against the proposed budget.

Mayor Erickson introduced an offered for adoption **Resolution No. 2054** – A Resolution Approving and Adopting the Budget for the City of Glasgow, Montana, for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018. Council member Sorensen moved for the adoption of **Resolution No. 2054**. The motion was seconded by Council member Karst; whereby **Resolution No. 2054** was unanimously adopted.

The public hearing for assigning zoning to Nemont Manor took place. There was no one in attendance for or against the proposed zoning. DPW Kompel did explain that in 1977 Nemont was annexed into the City Limits and zoning was not attached to it at that time.

Council member Ozark made a motion approving the Zoning Commissions recommendation to zone Nemont Manor Unrestricted E. The motion was seconded by Council member Sorensen, and carried unanimously.

Terry Archambeault from T&R Trucking was in attendance to inform the council that there is a buy/sell in place to transfer ownership of T&R Trucking to Thompson and Son's Trucking. Terry mentioned that all the services will remain the same and he will be available to assist the new owners when the contract comes up for bid again.

Mayor Erickson introduced and offered for adoption **Resolution No. 2056** – A Resolution Authorizing the City of Glasgow to make Application to the Montana Department of Commerce Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) program and Agreement to Certifications for Applications. Council member Sorensen moved for the adoption of **Resolution No. 2056**. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr; whereby **Resolution No. 2056** was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Erickson introduced and offered for adoption **Resolution No. 2055** – A Resolution Appointing a Firefighter of the Glasgow Fire Department for a Probationary Period of Six (6) Months – Adam Arneson. Council member Karst moved for the adoption of **Resolution No. 2055**. The motion was seconded by Council member Sorensen; whereby **Resolution No. 2055** was unanimously adopted.

Council member Heitman made a motion approving the Police Department's wage increase of \$.35 per hour, a \$.25 additional increase in Shift Differential, and an additional increase for advanced education. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, and carried unanimously.

Council member Karst approved the Police Department's Collective Bargaining Agreement for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018. The motion was seconded by Council member Sorensen, and carried unanimously.

Council member Sorensen made a motion approving a \$.35 hourly wage increase for the non-bargaining employees for fiscal year 2017-2018. The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman and carried unanimously.

Mayor Erickson introduced and offered for adoption **Resolution No. 2057** – A Resolution Determining the Salaries and Compensation of Elected and Appointed City Officers and Certain City Employees for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018; Revoking Resolutions in Conflict Herewith; and Establishing an Effective Date for Salaries and Compensation. Council member Ozark moved for the adoption of **Resolution No. 2057**. The motion was seconded by Council member Karst; whereby **Resolution No. 2057** was unanimously adopted.

Council member Ozark made a motion approving the hiring of up to 3 temporary seasonal snow removal employees if needed. The motion was seconded by Council member Karst, and carried unanimously.

Council member Carr made a motion accepting the Personnel Committee's recommendation to change all public works job descriptions to include "Must Have a Valid Commercial Driver's License or be able to obtain one within six (6) month of hire." The motion was seconded by Council member Heitman, and carried unanimously.

Old Business:

-Levee Safety Committee Report – Mayor Erickson mentioned she has been in contact with Tester's office to set up a meeting to ask for assistance with federal funding for the levee.

- Update on GNDC noncompetitive grant – City Clerk Amundson stated she will be speaking with Leslie from the State tomorrow to discuss more on the first project.

Committee Reports: The Mayor read the minutes from the Personnel Committee Meeting. She mentioned the DPW Kompel and her met with the public works department and discussed with them the CDL's. There was no report for Water or Cemetery. Police Chief Barstad mentioned the first drawdown request for the Victim Witness grant has been submitted to MBCC. Their department was not awarded the COPS Grant. There was some discussion on the Theo and Alyce Beck Grant. The Ordinance Committee will be meeting soon to discuss new proposals to some of the ordinances. Mayor Erickson also mentioned that a member of the community would like to meet with the committee to discuss having chickens in town.

Department Head Reports:

Street Foreman DeGreek told the council that the gravel is stockpiled and ready for winter; they've trimmed some trees that would interfere with snow removal, and are filling pot holes as needed.

Police Chief Barstad told the council he had met with some of the downtown business owners to discuss the parking issues. It was decided to form a committee to see what can be done to address some additional issues.

City Clerk Amundson mentioned the city's Annual Financial Report is completed and will be working on the non-competitive grant paperwork.

Council member Heitman reported for the Fire Department. Chief Brunelle has ordered an Air Compressor for approximately \$28,000.00 and 10 Radios were also ordered with a majority of the cost being paid for from grants and the department's fund raising money.

Mayor Erickson stated she would like to see money being spent locally if at all possible. She does understand that some equipment may not be able to purchased locally, but for all departments to start here before purchasing elsewhere.

DPW Kompel said that his building permits are increasing, he reported on the St. Mary's Working Group Meeting, the levee inspection with the Corps went well and they are pleased to see the city making progress on the levee. He also stated that the Corps met with BNSF to address their issues along the levee; and the BNSF and the Corps will work directly with each other, so the City is not the go between.

A Union Negotiation meeting was set for Tuesday November 28, at 5:30 p.m. to review the counter offer from the union and have a response back to them from the council.

Public Comment: NONE

Council member Ozark made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

Stacey Amundson
City Clerk-Treasurer

Rebecca Erickson
Mayor