

The regular Beulah City Council meeting of February 4, 2019 was called to order at 7:00 pm at Beulah City Hall by Mayor Travis Frey.

Present: David Czywczynski, Loren Daede, Kathy Kelsch, Kelsey Timmer, Clyde Schulz, Eric Hoffer, Gary Miller

Absent: David Ripplinger

Also Present: Assistant City Attorney Jennifer Gooss, City Coordinator Russell Duppong, City Engineer Charlie Hankins, Police Chief Frank Senn, Beriah Smith, Toni Moore, Kate Johnson

Pledge of Allegiance

Kelsch made a motion seconded by Daede to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting on January 21 and approve as furnished to the Council by email. Roll call vote found Czywczynski, Schulz, Timmer, Daede, Kelsch, Hoffer and Miller in favor.

Hankins commented on estimates for the Gateway Addition. The pipes that exist are made for a two-year event. He presented three options of protection that would cover a 25, 50 or 100-year event. The main issue is the slope in this area. The pipe he has in the estimates is reinforced concrete, but a corrugated HDPE option would be less expensive. Hankins recommended the 50-year event size of pipe. He would like to look at the grade of the area. Hankins questioned if Council wanted to do this project at the same time as the 12th Street project and if he should move forward with putting specs together for a bid. Frey commented each project would be assessed as separate districts and funded by different parts of the town. Czywczynski commented a meeting would be set to put together the area that needs to be assessed. Duppong commented he sent the information to our attorney to review as a storm water project. It will need to be advertised and put into a resolution. Hankins is looking at March for bids. Kelsch questioned if combining this project will delay the 12th Street project. Hankins stated it is not guaranteed but he doesn't think so. Schulz questioned if the residents have seen the estimates. Frey stated no. He questioned how much money does the City spend before we get an opinion from the residents in the area. Hoffer questioned the size of the district. Duppong stated we don't have a rough number of homes at this time. Discussion followed on whether residents could opt out. Duppong stated the attorney is reviewing this. Hankins stated those residents are contributing to the problem even if they are not affected.

Frey appointed Autumn Kus to the Hospitality and Lodging Tax Advisory Committee. Czywczynski made a motion seconded by Miller to approve the appointment of Autumn Kus as presented. Roll call vote found Czywczynski, Schulz, Timmer, Daede, Kelsch, Hoffer and Miller in favor.

Frey stated he listened to the legislative update call on Friday. He submitted his opposition to the bill requiring those running for city office to declare a political party. NDLC Celebrate Cities Day is on March 1 at the State Capital and he plans to attend that. He also plans to attend the March Madness Conference. Frey commented on Council size options if the Council was reduced and if wards were eliminated or reorganized. He discussed the other cities in North Dakota that have wards. For a city of our size, the lowest we could go down to would be five council members and a mayor. Frey stated he is also still looking at a full home rule charter.

Czywczynski commented streets look very good after snow removal.

Daede commented on some problems with the water towers with the cold weather.

Schulz made a motion seconded by Hoffer to accept the municipal court report. Roll call vote found Czywczynski, Schulz, Timmer, Daede, Kelsch, Hoffer and Miller in favor.

Schulz commented the West River Transit quarterly meeting was two weeks ago. They have ordered the bus for Beulah. The Pool Board has another application for a vacant board position and they are advertising for a pool manager.

Miller commented P&Z sent out an email on the County marijuana ordinance. P&Z is considering adopting this ordinance. Hoffer questioned if adopting the same ordinance as the County would eliminate any possibility of having one within city limits. Miller stated yes. Hoffer stated he thinks that is a giant mistake. Duppong commented on the location regulations of the ordinance. Schulz questioned if the County has adopted it yet. Duppong stated he is going to the County meeting to confirm it.

Timmer commented the library is advertising for a Library Director.

Kelsch commented on city spraying services. Local contractors that we know of were contacted to submit a bid. She commented on the many locations in town that need spraying and that the spraying will be done twice per year. Kelsch made a motion seconded by Schulz to accept the spraying bid from Joe Green Lawn Care in the amount of \$31,112.50. Hoffer commented it seems pretty fair that his prices are not increasing. Roll call vote found Czywczynski, Schulz, Timmer, Daede, Kelsch, Hoffer and Miller in favor. Kelsch stated the job opening for Economic Development Director closed on January 31 and we will set up interviews soon. Kelsch stated the DOT will move over to the west side of the Civic Center and the asbestos abatement will take place next week.

Hankins commented he will meet with Czywczynski to review annual street repairs. The bike path bid results will come in February 8.

Duppong stated the clinic has been moved to the new area of the building. He gave an update on a house on 3rd Ave with deficiencies. He stated he is planning to go to a legislative hearing on Thursday on unsafe structures.

Gooss introduced a new attorney in their office. Beriah Smith commented he grew up in Connecticut and he has been practicing in Bismarck the last two years. Frey appointed Beriah Smith as Assistant City Attorney. Schulz made a motion seconded by Daede to accept the appointment. Roll call vote found Czywczynski, Schulz, Timmer, Daede, Kelsch, Hoffer and Miller in favor.

Senn stated an exit interview was conducted for Zazeski on Friday.

Ferebee presented a Special Event Permit for the Main Bar for the Roughrider Motorcycle Biker Bash at Riverside Park on June 15, 2019. Hoffer made a motion seconded by Miller to approve the special event permit as presented. Roll call vote found Czywczynski, Schulz, Timmer, Daede, Kelsch, Hoffer and Miller in favor.

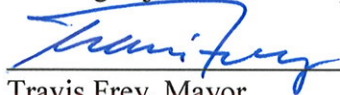
Ferebee presented a local permit for a 50/50 raffle for the Beulah Lion's Club at Alibis on February 23, 2019. Hoffer made a motion seconded by Schulz to approve the permit as presented. Roll call vote found Czywczynski, Schulz, Timmer, Daede, Kelsch, Hoffer and Miller in favor.

Frey commented on the Extra Mile Awards and Service Awards presented at the Employee Appreciation.

Hoffer commented he likes the idea of reducing the council size but doesn't see if there would be a benefit if we would have a hard time getting a quorum. Frey stated only two of the eight council members ran for their position. Timmer commented it could discourage shift workers from running for Council. Schulz stated it has been on the ballot in the past, but it should be researched. He agrees it should be reduced but we shouldn't get rid of wards. Daede would agree to reduce the size and believes there should be a representative from each ward, but each ward should be voted on city wide. If you live in Ward 2, you can vote for someone running in Ward 3. There wouldn't be a need for four different ballots. Frey stated we researched at the County and they don't keep any demographics on voting population for the wards. Schulz stated Vanguard may be able to provide some demographics on areas in town.

Schulz made a motion seconded by Kelsch to pay the bills as presented. Roll call vote found Czywczynski, Schulz, Timmer, Daede, Kelsch, Hoffer and Miller in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.



Travis Frey, Mayor



Heather Ferebee, City Auditor

The following bills were approved and paid in January:

Check Range: 37463 to 37560, -99842, -99841, -99835

Payroll Check Range: -78593 to -78529

Employees	69,950.61
FIT	11,488.97
SIT	2,618.73
Unemployment	171.02
FIT	11,766.61
New York Life 457b	3,711.40
ND Child Support	226.62
MN Child Support	347.01
NDPERS	24,388.52
ALFAC	508.02
ND Child Support	226.62
MN Child Support	347.01
North Dakota Tax Commissioner	9.68
City of Beulah	38.63
EFTPS	14762.89
Bronson's Marketplace	81.06
ND League of Cities	2346.00
Mercer County Treasurer	116907.50

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North Dakota Dept of Health	64.00
Mercer County Treasurer	5192.81
Beulah Lumber Company	455.30
BHG, Inc.	1555.06
NAPA Auto Parts	711.14
First Security Bank West	61413.99
MDU	15439.43
MailFinance	441.87
Downtown Gas & Auto	4641.45
Cardmember Service	110.24
Lignite Tire	1071.47
Midco	119.28
West River Telephone	1692.67
West River Transit	8500.00
NDACo Resources Group, Inc.	338.88
Roughrider Electric Coop Inc	4355.35
Solem Law Office	2674.22
Interstate Engineering, Inc	1458.00
Information Technology Dept	244.45
AmeriPride Services Inc.	359.89
Farmers Union Oil Company	3577.09
New York Life	1513.68
Mainstay Funds	5877.74
Millennium Express	33.35
Verizon Wireless	431.82
Convention & Visitors Bureau	37318.89
Convention & Visitors Bureau	13104.42
Dickinson Press	167.00
Bismarck Tribune	377.00
Kapco	120.32
Creative Product Source	190.41
Beulah Chamber of Commerce	55.00
Marc Kus	57.94
Jerusha Seal	26.00
Black Sands Golf Course	12000.00
Beulah Electric	7000.00
Solem Law Office	2500.00
Sanitation Products	315.91
Fireside Office Products Inc	240.00
MFOA	60.00
MARC	1966.57
J-S Sanitation	297.50
Sanford Health Occup Medicine	35.00

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Uline	106.30
DirectMED	39.46
Butler Machinery Company	2309.80
Powerplan	37.20
Neuberger Oil Co.	830.00
West River Telephone	96.23
Department of Health	1414.74
New York Life	50.45
Mainstay Funds	162.88
Midwest Tape	1110.45
Gale/CENGAGE Learning	18.74
BHG, Inc.	157.50
I-State Truck Center	15481.96
US Bank	273.57
J & M Hardware Inc	773.41
Beulah Airport Authority	5066.02
Beulah Senior Center	3618.59
Beulah Park District	33517.81
Beulah JDA	8596.54
Beulah Park District	18816.65
Beulah Airport Authority	8596.54
The Hub Convenience Stores	7.99
Dennis Bauer	3143.64
Coal Country CHC	26.00
MDU	59.26
Creative Product Source	191.50
Gumdrop Books	380.00
True Grit ND, Inc	1995.00
Frank Senn	176.00
Colonial Research Chemical Corp	177.29
Mid-States Org Crime Info Center	100.00
Auto Value Beulah	15.98
ICC - International Code Council	135.00
Hot Shot Plumbing & Heating LLC	463.00
North Dakota Planning Association	55.00
Ingram Library Services	252.29
Marco Tech	903.97
Mercer County Historical Society	25.00
Secretary of State	25.00
Barnes & Noble Inc	95.98
First Security Bank West	75.00
Postmaster	354.56

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