

The regular Beulah City Council meeting of January 21, 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, Eric Hoffer, David Ripplinger

Absent: Clyde Schulz, Gary Miller

Also Present: City Attorney Scott Solem, City Coordinator Russell Duppong, Public Works Superintendent Kenny Yeager, Police Chief Frank Senn, 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 7 and approve as furnished to the Council by email. Roll call vote found Ripplinger, Czywczynski, Timmer, Daede, Kelsch and Hoffer in favor.

Frey appointed Amy Prince and Tonya Unruh to the Pool Board. Czywczynski made a motion seconded by Timmer to approve the appointments to the Pool Board. Roll call vote found Ripplinger, Czywczynski, Timmer, Daede, Kelsch and Hoffer in favor. Frey stated JDA met on Wednesday. Olheiser's resignation was accepted. Officers elected were Nathan Richter as Chairperson, Jerry Isaak as Vice Chair, Michael Woods as Treasurer, and Travis Frey as Secretary. Frey commented Shopko has declared bankruptcy and with that designation there's no longer means for negotiation until they are through with bankruptcy proceedings. The City spoke with Shopko and the building owner to see what the city or county could do to save Shopko. We have pledged our support that if Shopko can't be saved, we'll try to fill that spot with another retailer if need be. March 1 is Celebrate Cities Day. NDLC has March Madness conference at the end of March.

Kelsch commented the painting is almost complete at the Civic Center. The panels and sound system are complete and it is really nice. The lights were replaced. The air conditioning and furnace will be done in the spring so a concrete slab can be poured when the ground is not frozen. Kelsch commented on the restroom improvements. She feels it is responsibly progressive for the City to take care of the building. Kelsch made a motion seconded by Timmer to give approval for the bathroom project to start with the additional funding of \$30,000 coming from the Public Building fund and \$50,000 from the Sales Tax fund. With those two figures added on to what we have budgeted, it is enough to cover the estimates received. Roll call vote found Ripplinger, Czywczynski, Timmer, Daede, Kelsch and Hoffer in favor.

Czywczynski commented on the estimates for the Gateway Addition. He stated Hankins put the estimates in place and they can be reviewed. Duppong commented on the 12th Street project. Hankins is working on the square footage of drainage or water runoff of the properties involved. If the projects can be put together, the cost of mobilization could be less. Frey commented Hankins would like direction to move forward. Czywczynski commented he attended the CVB meeting and stated that the Big Buck Contest went well.

Daede commented the pumps have been installed at Lift #3.

Timmer commented the Library Director has resigned. They will be advertising for a Director.

Hoffer commented the garbage truck is back and is working well.

Ferebee presented a local permit for a raffle for the Beulah Park District at the Beulah Civic Center on April 27, 2019. Hoffer made a motion seconded by Ripplinger to approve the permit as presented. Roll call vote found Ripplinger, Czywczynski, Timmer, Daede, Kelsch and Hoffer in favor.

Ferebee presented a Special Event Permit for Bronson's Marketplace & Liquor at the Beulah Civic Center for the Lion's Club Night at the Races event on March 2, 2019. Hoffer made a motion seconded by Czywczynski to approve the special event permit as presented. Roll call vote found Ripplinger, Czywczynski, Timmer, Daede, Kelsch and Hoffer in favor.

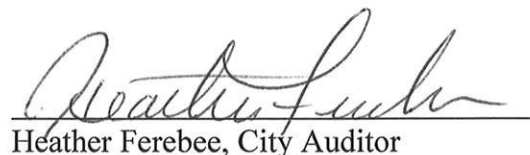
Ferebee presented a Special Event Permit for Sportsman's Bottleshop at B'Dolces on February 14, 2019. Hoffer made a motion seconded by Kelsch to approve the special event permit as presented. Roll call vote found Ripplinger, Czywczynski, Timmer, Daede, Kelsch and Hoffer in favor.

Ferebee presented the 2018 financial reports, transfers and amendments. Hoffer made a motion seconded by Kelsch to approve the 2018 year-end financial reports. Roll call vote found Ripplinger, Czywczynski, Timmer, Daede, Kelsch and Hoffer in favor. Czywczynski made a motion seconded by Daede to approve the 2018 fund transfers and amendments. Frey stated this is an annual process to get funds allocated to the proper areas. Roll call vote found Ripplinger, Czywczynski, Timmer, Daede, Kelsch and Hoffer in favor.

Duppong commented P&Z is in the process of reviewing some zoning issues including fences. They may propose an amendment to the ordinance. They are also looking at permit fees. Duppong commented on the marijuana laws and what the County has done. The City will need to adopt something similar. Duppong commented he submitted the grant for the RV park storm shelter. The cost of the project is estimated at \$98,595 and the City would pay 25%. Council discussed that the City would be willing to accept the 25% expense with approval of the grant for the storm shelter. Duppong stated the spraying contract is coming up and we are reviewing the areas listed. The air compressor at the Water Plant is going to be repaired or replaced and we are looking at the cost.

Senn commented Kurt Zazeski has verbally resigned as of February 3. He is requesting to advertise for a Police Officer. Kelsch made a motion seconded by Timmer to advertise for a Police Officer position. Senn will go back into rotation and try to keep overtime at a minimum. Roll call vote found Ripplinger, Czywczynski, Timmer, Daede, Kelsch and Hoffer in favor. The remodel is just about complete in the Police Department. Senn commented on issues with the battery being charged in one of the vehicles and that they are working on it.

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm.


Travis Frey, Mayor
Heather Ferebee, City Auditor