

CITY OF BEULAH

July 15, 2019, 7:00 pm

Beulah City Hall Council Chambers

The regular meeting of the Beulah City Council was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Travis Frey with Council Members Clyde Schulz, Gary Miller, Loren Daede, David Ripplinger, David Czywczynski, and Kathy Kelsch present. Kelsey Timmer and Eric Hoffer absent.

Also Present: City Assistant Attorney Beriah Smith, City Engineer Charlie Hankins, City Coordinator Russell Duppong, Public Works Superintendent Kenny Yeager, Police Chief Frank Senn, Economic Director Granville Brinkman, City Auditor Heather Ferebee, John Phillips and Kate Johnson

Pledge of Allegiance

MINUTES

Kelsch moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting on July 1 and approve as furnished to the Council by email. Miller seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

A moment of silence was taken for the passing of former Mayor Darold Benz.

PUBLIC INPUT

John Phillips

The Hospitality and Lodging Tax Committee recommendation for a Beulah Traveling Basketball funding request of \$750 was presented. The 3 on 3 basketball tournament was run very well with the hope to continue it. Czywczynski moved to approve the request of \$750 to Beulah Traveling Basketball. Miller seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

COUNCIL PORTFOLIOS

Council Member Daede

The Civic Center had a sewer backup on Friday. The manhole was full and needed maintenance. We will need to look at putting in another line so it drains freely. It was cleaned out that night.

Council Member Schulz

JDA and West River Transit both meet this week. Schulz moved to accept the Municipal Court Report. Kelsch seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

Council Member Kelsch

After receiving group life insurance quotes from a number of insurance companies in Beulah, Principal Life Insurance through Voegele Insurance was the lowest. Kelsch moved to approve Principal Life Insurance through Voegele Insurance for group life insurance for city employees. Schulz seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

Mayor Frey

Preliminary Budget information was presented. The preliminary budget will need to be approved at the next Council meeting. The current taxable valuation was discussed and the mill levy proposed. The MIF (Municipal Infrastructure Fund) will be distributed the fourth quarter of 2020 and the second quarter of 2021. The funds can be placed in an interest-bearing account until they are used in the appropriate area. If not used in the correct category, we would become ineligible for the next distribution.

CITY PERSONNEL

Public Works/Water Dept.

Lift #1 was cleaned out. Lift #5 pump has been having problems. A new pump has been ordered.

City Auditor

Schulz moved to approve the June Financial Reports. Kelsch seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

Kelsch moved to approve the Special Event Permit for Sportsman's Bottle Shop at the Rodeo Grounds for the Demolition Derby on August 17, 2019. Daede seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

Economic Development Director

BND storm water applications were denied. They have requested more information on the city sidewalk and 12th Street repair projects. The Home Rule Committee will meet on July 24.

City Engineer

Storm Sewer Improvements (District #2 and #3) – A preconstruction meeting was held and District #2 has a change order. A manhole will be added. The net increase is \$5,726.50 for Change Order #1 on STS District #2. Czywczynski moved to approve the change order as presented. Daede seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

Fire Hall Curb & Gutter – The contractor is working with M Construction to complete the repair.

City Wide Patching Project – The contractor should be here in August.

Items being looked into are the North Lagoon Aeration System Repair, 7th Street Inlet & Culvert Repair, 16th Street Culvert Washout Concerns, and Keller Drive Culvert Concerns.

Sanitary sewer televising will be looked at to add to the budget for next year.

City Coordinator

The 7th Street washout and 16th Street culvert were explained. The forestry grant approval was received today. Dollar General is moving fast and inspection reports were sent to the company. Assessment worksheets are set up and the Assessment Board will meet tomorrow. Discussion followed on the progress of the South Lagoon Lime Removal Project. Storm sewer areas will be reviewed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm.



Travis Frey, Mayor



Heather Ferebee, City Auditor