

CITY OF BEULAH

June 3, 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 Kelsey Timmer, Clyde Schulz, Gary Miller, Loren Daede, David Ripplinger, David Czywczynski and Kathy Kelsch present. Eric Hoffer absent.

Also Present: City Attorney Scott Solem, 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, Cindy Zahn and Kate Johnson

Pledge of Allegiance

BID OPENING

Bid Opening for the Storm Sewer Project which includes two Improvement Districts:
STS Dist. #2 – 12th Street & STS Dist. #3 – Gateway Addition

Schulz moved to close the acceptance of bids. Daede seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

Wagner Construction – STS #2 \$405,115.75, #3 \$304,342.92 - \$709,458.67 total base bid
Unlimited Excavating – STS #2 \$419,500, #3 \$379,965 - \$799,465 total base bid
BEK Consulting – STS #2 \$439,353, #3 \$321,490 - \$760,843 total base bid

Czywczynski moved to accept the low bid from Wagner Construction of \$709,458.67 contingent on the review of bonding. Kelsch seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

MINUTES

Schulz moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting on May 20 and approve as furnished to the Council by email. Miller seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

PUBLIC INPUT

Cindy Zahn of WARC – gaming funds are used for the shortfall of grants that have been cut from the state and federal government. Funds are also used to provide a food pantry. Client intake has increased countywide since last year. Schulz moved to approve the site authorization for WARC at the Nite Owl Bar and the Main Bar July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. Timmer seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

COUNCIL PORTFOLIOS

Council Member Timmer – The assessment board is in need of another member.

Council Member Kelsch – The Employee Relations Committee has met several times to determine if the city should switch to NDPERS. Currently the plan is through NY Life. There are some plan fees and the employees are required to have life insurance. NDPERS is administered by the legislative body and they can set the return. There are two separate categories: the public employee plan and the public safety plan for law enforcement. If a change is made, existing employees can choose to keep their old plan, but new employees would be required to participate in NDPERS. The committee is recommending to switch to NDPERS. Information will be sent out before the next meeting to summarize the plans. A group life insurance policy and AD&D would also be included with the NDPERS option. Employees could still contribute to a 457b plan through NDPERS, but there would not be a match from the city.

Council Member Czywczynski – Street repairs are taking place.

Council Member Daede – The South Lagoon Lime Removal project is in progress. There was a sewer plug north of Lift #1 in the ravine. It took some effort, but it was cleaned out.

Council Member Schulz – The pool is being filled today. The leak was repaired and the plaster will be put on as the lazy river fills because it cannot dry out.

Council Member Miller – P&Z met on May 16 and the discussion was on lot lines and fences. The church has been moved off the Dollar General lot. Merlin Dahl has resigned from P&Z.

Mayor Frey – NDLC Annual Conference is in September. The Prairie Dog bill was passed. Beulah will receive one million dollars for essential infrastructure. This would be for construction in 2021 on water, sewer or streets. A fund will need to be created to keep the money separate. Budget items will need to be addressed so the preliminary budget can be complete.

CITY PERSONNEL

Economic Development Director – There is a letter of intent regarding the Shopko building. The anticipated closing would be in August if the sale is signed. The Home Rule Charter was discussed with the option to amend it and adopt a full home rule charter. Kelsch moved to amend our current charter to be a full home rule charter. Daede seconded. Information has been sent out to Council regarding the benefits of becoming a full home rule charter city. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor. Century Code requires a committee to be created.

It was discussed that Interstate Engineering could create a citywide corridor plan by putting together all current projects and prioritizing those projects with estimates. Schulz moved to approve the proposal as presented. Czywczynski seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

BND Loan option: Our projects are on the SRF list and we are encouraged to apply for funding for the storm sewer project. The BND Loan would cover the remaining portion of the plan that SRF does not cover. Czywczynski moved to proceed with the BND Revolving Loan Fund for the storm sewer project and other projects needed. Miller seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

City Engineer – City Wide Street Repair Updates: The concrete crew has been moving through town. Crack sealing is complete.

Quote for Concrete at Dairy Queen Intersection: Czywczynski moved to approve the repair as presented with an estimate of \$37,170. Schulz seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

Undermining of Pavement on 2nd Street NW, between 3rd and 4th Ave NW (Jason Fernow residence): The service line went out on the property. Water had been leaking for awhile and a void was created under the driveway as well as under the sidewalk going down the hill.

Manhole lining: The lining of the two remaining manholes north of Lift #1 will start in about two weeks.

City Coordinator – The Beulah Park Board will put together a plan for an access road at the Wellness Center. The Coal Country Clinic is close to completion. Tall grass and dandelions are a problem right now. The Land Use Plan was requested to be sent out again to Council.

City Attorney – Annual Resolution 2019-02 setting the auditor's bond at \$2 million dollars, which is through the ND Bonding Fund. Schulz made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-02 setting the auditor's bond. Daede seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

Police Chief – There is a request from the Fire Department to do some landing zone training for helicopters. The Civic Center Parking lot was used last time.

Public Works – The Water Dept. is out flushing sewers and hydrants. Mitchell Mattheis started at the Water Plant last week. Public Works is trying to keep up with mowing.

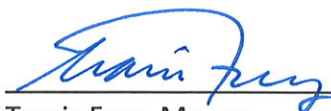
City Auditor – Special Event Permit for Sportsman's Bottle Shop at the Mercer County Fairgrounds July 11 – 14, 2019. Schulz moved to approve the special event permit as presented. Kelsch seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

Kelsch moved to approve the Beulah Lion's Club use of the rodeo grounds again for the demolition derby on August 17, 2019. Schulz seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

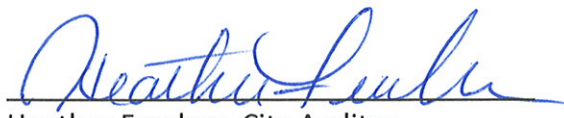
APPROVAL OF BILLS

Schulz moved to pay the bills as presented. Miller seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.



Travis Frey, Mayor



Heather Ferebee, City Auditor

The following bills were approved and paid in May:

Check Range: 37856 to 37972

Payroll Check Range: -78316 to -78248, 37853 to 37855, 37909, 37947, 37948

Employees	72,988.46	Donovan Eslinger	26.59
FIT	12,555.44	Larissa Bitner	75.00
FIT	11,452.79	Starboard	50.00
New York Life 457b	4,185.38	Stephanie Deutsch	50.00
ND Child Support	226.62	Jessica Diederich	50.00
MN Child Support	347.01	Mitch Usselman	50.00
NDPERS	23,743.76	Paramount NDT	50.00
ALFAC	487.28	Tina Steffenson	50.00
ND Child Support	226.62	Beth Schettler	50.00
MN Child Support	347.01	Kathy Ramsden	50.00
West River Telephone	106.86	Gayleen Briggs	15.00
Bronson's Marketplace	54.21	Credit Bureau of Bismarck	31.10
Mercer County Treasurer	6541.62	Eggers Electric Motor Co	753.84
BHG, Inc.	713.58	Brock White Company	901.80
Beulah JDA	689.82	Ashley Nordstrom	41.76
MDU	14623.67	Granville Brinkman	209.00
Downtown Gas & Auto	5496.49	BNSF Railway Company	2420.12
Midco	119.28	Sanford Health Occup Med	102.00
West River Telephone	1639.41	Uline	1387.33
Beulah Airport Authority	689.82	CNA Surety Direct Bill	50.00
North Dakota One Call Inc	56.50	Neofunds	1000.00
Roughrider Electric Coop Inc	4961.92	Ecolab Pest Elim Div	161.63
AmeriPride Services Inc.	367.39	Powerplan	644.11
Department of Health	343.68	Productivity Plus Account	214.68
NDACo Resources Group, Inc.	338.88	Swanston Equipment Corp.	812.61
Information Technology Dept	245.37	Share Corp	2044.15
Ingram Library Services	662.46	North Dakota Dept of Health	64.00
The Hub Convenience Stores	768.90	Beulah Lumber Company	14.37
American Express	1802.22	Solem Law Office	3749.68
Waste Management	466.96	CDS Administrative Services	1450.00
Farmers Union Oil Company	1088.70	Interstate Engineering, Inc	4000.30
New York Life	1344.34	Solem Law Office	2500.00
Mainstay Funds	5436.32	Midwest Tape	104.97
Verizon Wireless	259.65	Frank Senn	200.00
Darla Knutson	15.65	Sanitation Products	5663.12
Municipal Gov Academy	510.00	Beulah Police Dept	30.00
Tyler Leingang	4.73	West Dakota Utility Services	462.00

LIGNITE ENERGY COUNCIL	775.00	Nancy Bickerstaff	21.94
Vision West ND	150.00	Travis Frey	93.00
Ashley Nordstrom	47.04	Kameron Plienis	217.27
Dakota Screen Arts, Inc	77.00	Jessie Mann	93.00
Coal Country CHC	26.00	Smart Apple Media	760.09
Core & Main	1202.09	Interstate Engineering, Inc	6229.58
William Elmore	166.97	Interstate Engineering, Inc	15211.74
B&G Electric	1355.16		
Beulah Drug	21.34		
Alva Plastics	391.00		
Neutron Industries	348.44		
Clay's Plumbing & Heating Inc	3064.94		
Hot Shot Plumbing & Heating	85.00		
Timothy Morton	159.50		
Stein's Inc	465.07		
Service Plus	979.20		
Brady, Martz & Associates,PC	14000.00		
Quill Corporation	413.56		
Mercer County Sheriff's Dept	75.00		
Colonial Research Chem Corp	1922.09		
AED Everywhere	400.20		
Industrial Chem Labs	150.11		
Dakota Pump & Control, Inc	3280.71		
Uniform Center	1874.49		
Frank Senn	21.00		
Butler Machinery Company	2837.54		
Petty Cash	126.33		
Beulah Park District	36319.68		
NAPA Auto Parts	1240.31		
Sweeney Controls Company	5280.32		
AmeriPride Services Inc.	17.43		
Jessie Mann	12.00		
SennSational Paint Inc.	2175.00		
Bismarck Tribune	323.64		
Hot Shot Plumbing & Heating	85.00		
SPEE-DEE Delivery Service	27.54		
Dakota Fire Extinguishers	47.24		
J & M Hardware Inc	1216.45		
Quill Corporation	88.56		
Secretary of State	36.00		
Postmaster	368.17		
US Bank	3272.61		
Coal Country CHC	52.00		

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