

CITY OF BEULAH

March 18, 2019, 7:00 pm

Beulah City Hall Council Chambers

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Travis Frey with Council Members Kelsey Timmer, Clyde Schulz, Gary Miller, David Ripplinger, David Czywczynski, Loren Daede, 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, City Auditor Heather Ferebee, Kent Ritterman, Thomas Klabunde, Cal Wagner, Julie Lenzen, Gordon Hilz, Toni Moore, Kate Johnson

Pledge of Allegiance

MINUTES

Kelsch moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting on March 4 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

Gateway Addition Project: Cal Wagner questioned special assessments and discussion followed. Wagner questioned if the 12th Street project is taking priority over the Gateway project. It was stated the city is trying to complete both projects together without earmarking one as a priority. The hope is to find one contractor to win both bids and save on mobilization. Wagner questioned if there was flooding on 12th Street and it was confirmed there was flooding. Both areas have been looked at for quite some time. The city is making a conscious effort to not put it all on the homeowners in the area. The city right-a-way is an impervious area and will contribute to the runoff and the city plans to cover that portion. Julie Lenzen questioned who would be assessed and stated the water crosses 10th Street. Discussion followed and it was stated that the border is based on topography and anything that would feed into it would be part of the district for each project. The boundary includes those that are contributing to the problem. Wagner commented on water crossing 10th Street. The City Engineer will look into what it would take to convey that water.

Lime Removal Project at the South Lagoon: Kent Ritterman of Moore Engineering stated the preconstruction meeting is being scheduled in the next couple weeks. Moore Engineering will be at the water plant tomorrow for some training and support and is available if more help is needed.

COUNCIL PORTFOLIOS

Mayor Frey - The date for the Board of Equalization meeting will be Tuesday, April 23 at 6:00 pm.

Council Member Daede - Frost is deep and there were a couple water breaks in town. There are some residents with frozen service lines. There are three bills from Sletten for water breaks, two are city water mains and one is a service line. The city will pay the service line bill to Sletten since

the city called them in for an emergency repair and then invoice the property owner for the service line. Daede moved to approve payment of the three bills to Sletten with the total amount of \$34,719.98. Schulz seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

Council Member Schulz - The Pool Board hired a manager and the pool leak will be repaired this spring. There was discussion at the Pool Board meeting on a lining that would take care of leaking for the pool in the future. The Police Officer position has been offered to Adam Baker. Schulz moved to hire Adam Baker as a Police Officer and to give him two months to relocate to Beulah. Kelsch seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

Council Member Timmer - Jessie Mann was hired as the Beulah Library Director.

Council Member Kelsch - Civic Center bathroom renovation update. The Economic Development Director position has been offered to Granville Brinkman with a start date of April 1. Kelsch moved to hire Granville Brinkman as Economic Development Director. Schulz seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

Council Member Czywczynski - MDU is changing street lights in town.

CITY PERSONNEL

City Engineer - Citywide street maintenance project bids were sent out.

City Coordinator - Solem Law will attend the P&Z meeting at 5:00 on Thursday to discuss the marijuana ordinance. The river seems to be moving fine right now, but it will be monitored.

City Attorney - Regarding the two storm water projects, there will be resolutions needed to direct the engineer to prepare the plans and specs and to approve the plans and specs. Later there will need to be resolutions for the financing.

Public Works - The water plant employees are working on water leaks and cleaning up the plant.

City Auditor - Special Event Permit: Nite Owl Bar at the Beulah Civic Center for the Wellness Center Adult Prom on April 27, 2019. Kelsch moved to approve the Special Event Permit as listed. Schulz seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Kelsch, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm.


Travis Frey, Mayor


Heather Ferebee, City Auditor