

## **CITY OF BEULAH**

**November 18, 2019, 7:00 pm**

**Beulah City Hall Council Chambers**

### **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

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, David Czywczynski, Gary Miller, David Ripplinger and Loren Daede present. Eric Hoffer and Kathy Kelsch absent.

Also Present: City Attorney Scott Solem, City Engineer Charlie Hankins, Economic Director Granville Brinkman, Police Chief Frank Senn, Public Works Kenny Yeager, City Auditor Heather Ferebee, Carmen Reed, Mark Aure, Joey Haukos, and Editor Amy Nash

Pledge of Allegiance.

Schulz moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting on November 4 and approve as furnished to the Council by email. Miller seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

### **PUBLIC INPUT**

#### **Pipe Detectives**

Presentation on Sanitary Sewer televising and cleaning. Diamond maps mapping system can be used for mapping fire hydrants and water mains in addition to sewer lines. A service program could be done in sections over a few years. Cameras can be fed up sewer lines in problem areas to see if roots are in the lines and to view manholes. The company is based in Jamestown, but they were in western North Dakota most of the time this year. Pricing is approximately \$1.80 per foot.

#### **Carmen Reed – Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan (MHMP) five-year update**

The mitigation plan needs to be updated. A representative from the city will need to be at two meetings. There is a grant being applied for that would pay 75% of the cost of putting together the plan update. Schulz moved to continue with the five-year extension of the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan with Mercer County Emergency Management. Timmer seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

### **COUNCIL PORTFOLIOS**

#### Council Member Daede

Water Plant Pump House Improvements pay estimate to American General Contractors, Inc. for \$29,641.77. Daede moved to approve the pay estimate as presented. Timmer seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

A meeting took place with the County regarding the landfill accepting the lime sludge. The landfill cannot accept the lime sludge. Pace sent another letter and is requesting to be removed from the contract. The city needs to respond to Pace regarding the letters they have sent.

#### Council Member Schulz

The Vision West meeting was an informational meeting for the community.

#### Council Member Timmer

The Library Board met last Wednesday.

#### Mayor Frey

City Hall has a leak in the roof and we will be looking into it. The Sun Valley RV Park may only have one person this winter and it was discussed whether it should remain open over winter. The County has the lot auction tomorrow regarding the lots that have gone back to the County for unpaid taxes.

### **CITY PERSONNEL**

#### City Attorney

The Home Rule Charter was approved. It will be sent to Council along with a draft of the new ordinance for sales tax for a first reading. A letter will be prepared to send to Pace.

#### Police Chief

The Security Systems Permit is ready and could start January 1. The opinion is to waive the first year fees and then the permits can be renewed after that. The Police Department has received some donated money and they are planning to purchase eight turkey dinners to distribute to some older residents.

#### Public Works Superintendent

The Water Department is finished discharging both lagoons and are transferring from Cell 2 to Cell 3 at both lagoons. The pump house will have siding put on tomorrow and pumps will be installed on Wednesday. Public Works will put up Christmas decorations. The metal crushers are at the Transfer Station. Alternatives are being looked into for cardboard recycling.

#### City Auditor

Special Election on the Home Rule Charter was held on November 5. The Canvassing Board met on November 14 and the official results are 246 "yes" votes and 80 "no" votes. 75% of the votes were "yes". The Home Rule Charter passes.

Beulah Chamber local permit for chili bingo has a date change to November 22, 2019. Schulz moved to approve the date change as presented. Ripplinger seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

Local Permit for a 50/50 raffle for the Beulah Education Foundation at the Beulah High School Gym from December 17, 2019 to February 28, 2020. Miller moved to approve the raffle permit as presented. Czywczynski seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Daede, Timmer, Schulz, Czywczynski and Ripplinger in favor.

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

Economic Development Director


The Canvassing Board was thanked. The Library Board is in the process of creating a 501(c)(3) to apply for grants and property acquisition. Vision West was hosted by Beulah with good presentations by businesses. A childcare survey will be distributed to find out the needs of the community. A cab service is interested in coming to Beulah. There have been communications with USDA and Lewis & Clark regarding a need for low income assistance in Beulah. Beulah doesn't qualify because our per capita income is too high, but there are those in our community with lower incomes.

City Engineer

Clean Water SRF forms are due in December and will be prepared.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

  
Travis Frey, Mayor

  
Heather Ferebee, City Auditor