

City of Taylor, North Dakota
June 4, 2013 at 7:30 pm at City Hall

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Russ Myran.

Council Members present: Ray Fettig, Aaron Gjermundson, Daryl Jurgens, Ron Luff

The minutes of the May 7, 2013 regular City Council meeting were approved as read, with the following corrections:

Motion to allow TCA use of the City Park at Main & Elm during Horse Fest made by *Ray Fettig*

Correct typo of bill amount under Building & Devel – *MDU \$1,308*

Visitors: Ken Christianson, Gayle Elkin, Glenn Gullickson, Craig Kubas – K L J, Jerome Reinhaert & Ryan Rudolph - Valtex, Mel Zent – Dakota West Inspection Services, Kevin Zillich.

Craig Kubas was present primarily to observe. After answering some questions from the Council regarding the City's water distribution system, Craig offered to provide the Council with an analysis of the water storage system at no charge to the City. The report will be presented at the next Council meeting.

Russ informed the Council of his conversations with Valtex regarding reimbursement of gravel purchased by the City to repair East Main Street. Discussion followed.

Motion to invoice Valtex for \$750 as reimbursement for the gravel used on East Main Street:

Moved by Daryl Jurgens, seconded by Ron Luff, motion carried unanimously.

The MGM Sanitation contract issue was tabled as the interested parties were not present.

A member of Council will contact Pump Systems about the status of the pump house project approved at the April 2nd meeting.

An application with payment was received from the Sit-n-Bull bar to renew its 6-month Liquor License.

Motion to approve a 6-month Liquor License for the Sit-n-Bull bar for the period 7/1/2013 to 12/31/2013:

Moved by Aaron Gjermundson, seconded by Ray Fettig, motion carried unanimously.

As the contracted Building Inspector for the City, Mel Zent requested a change to the process of issuing building permits. In the future the Council will review the initial application for a construction project, to be known as the Zoning Approval. Once the project is approved, a full set of construction drawings will be submitted to Mel for his review. Mel's report (including the number and cost of inspections) and any modifications/corrections to the construction plans will become part of the permit application. The Auditor will be notified of the Building Inspector's approval and will issue the Building Permit and collect the fees from the applicant.

Mel also informed the Council of some of the difficulties experienced by contractors in obtaining the services of the State Plumbing Inspector, and asked for the City's approval of Dakota West Inspection Services to provide plumbing inspections in Taylor.

Motion to contract with Mel Zent of Dakota West Inspection Services to perform plumbing inspections on new residential and commercial construction for the City of Taylor:

Moved by Daryl Jurgens, seconded by Aaron Gjermundson, motion carried unanimously.

The Council discussed the 30-day notice received from the Sievers terminating the maintenance contract with the City, effective June 8, 2013. Notices about the open maintenance position have been posted to the City's website, to online classifieds in Dickinson and Bismarck, with an ad placed in the Richardton Merchant. There has been some interest, both locally and from outside of the area, but no decisions have been made to date.

Pat Wilson requested that the Council set the amount for the 2014 Bond for City Officials issued by the State Insurance Fund (NDCC 40-13-02).

Motion to set the 2014 Fidelity Bond for City Officials at \$100,000:

Moved by Ron Luff, seconded by Ray Fettig, motion carried unanimously.

Pat Wilson requested that the Council designate the official newspaper for the City of Taylor (NDCC 40-01-09).

Motion to designate the Richardton Merchant as the official newspaper for the City of Taylor:

Moved by Ray Fettig, seconded by Daryl Jurgens, motion carried unanimously.

The May 2013 financial report was accepted as presented.

The Council discussed a number of items including work that needs to be done at the lift station, semis using gravel roads rather than city streets, culverts/drainage issues, storage for City equipment/supplies, and ordinance revisions.

Bills submitted for payment –

General Exp: Vernell Sievers \$1,583.75; Pat Wilson \$495; Pat Wilson – reimb \$472.60; MDU \$321.06

Water Dept: Southwest Water \$1,659; Vernell Sievers \$970; Pat Wilson \$175; MDU \$163.97; Ed Boelter \$77.25

Sewer Dept: Vernell Sievers \$825; Pat Wilson \$150; MDU \$199.92

Garbage Dept: MGM Sanitation \$2,097.92; Pat Wilson \$125

Street Dept: Vernell Sievers \$156.25

Motion to pay the bills: Moved by Ron Luff, seconded by Aaron Gjermundson, motion carried unanimously.

The next regular City Council meeting is at 7:30pm on Tuesday, July 2nd at City Hall.

Moved by Aaron Gjermundson, seconded by Daryl Jurgens, and carried to adjourn.

Russ Myran, Mayor

Patricia Wilson, Auditor