

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 August 6, 2013 regular City Council meeting were approved as read.

Visitors: Charlie Elkin, Gayle Elkin, Glenn Gullickson, Brooklyn Haag, Pat Kuntz, Ryan Rudolph – Valtex.

Pat Kuntz inquired about the width of alleyways and setback requirements for the same, as there are persons interested in purchasing his property south of the railroad tracks. Aaron Gjermundson will contact Pat with the information.

Charlie Elkin is concerned about the drainage issues at 2nd St. & Chestnut Ave. and asked the City to look into installing a culvert to help direct water to the drainage ditch. Ray Fettig will research what needs to be done.

Brooklyn Haag expressed her concerns about the number of stray cats around her property and the area in general. The City continues to look into ways to abate the situation.

Valtex has been in contact with Southwest Water about capacity issues related to the Prairie East subdivision. Ryan Rudolph presented an email memo received from Southwest Water for the Council to review. Discussion followed regarding water/lagoon capacity and the need for an engineering analysis, project funding, and planning. Council members will do further research and bring additional information to the next Council meeting.

Ron Luff updated the Council about his work on the City's Ordinances. He reported that there is a penalty/fine structure in place for non-compliance and, in the absence of a municipal judge, the City could bring cases to civil court. It was again brought up that a property owner is not in compliance with Ordinance 108.0423.

Motion to send a Notice of Non-Compliance to the property owner of Lots 13-15, Block 24 with a deadline for compliance and the penalty incurred for failure to comply:

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

Application and \$40 fee was received from Mike Hildebrand for a storage shed permit.

Motion to approve the permit for a 12' x 20' storage shed at 211 Dagnault:

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

A sewer backup reimbursement request was received from Dennis & Vernell Sievers and reviewed by the Council.

Motion to reimburse the Sievers \$1,000 to cover damages:

Moved by Daryl Jurgens; motion died for lack of a second. Additional discussion followed.

Motion to reimburse the Sievers \$500 to cover damages:

Moved by Aaron Gjermundson, seconded by Ron Luff, motion carried unanimously.

Lorna O'Connor is willing to provide services to the City as Assessor.

Motion to appoint Lorna O'Connor as the City Assessor:

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

The proposal received from Sackman Electric to upgrade the electrical panel at the Lift Station was tabled. The August 2013 financial report was accepted as presented.

The 2014 Preliminary Budget was reviewed. Discussion followed.

Motion to approve the 2014 Preliminary Budget:

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

A notice will be published in the Richardton Merchant stating that the budget will be available on the City's website cityoftaylornd.net; residents may also contact the City Auditor by phone to 701 264 0920 or email to cityoftaylornd@gmail.com to make arrangements to review the document. Final approval will occur at the next Council meeting to be held at 7:30pm on Tuesday October 1st at City Hall, 1st St & Ertel Ave.

Bills submitted for payment –

General Exp: Pat Wilson \$450; Ross Myran \$675; Prairie Home Repair \$387.50; John's Sinclair \$76; Cenex \$26.01; ND League of Cities \$15; ND Assoc of Oil Producing Counties \$108.16; Ross Myran – reimb \$146.66; Russ Myran – reimb \$31.13; MDU street light replacement \$292.57; MDU \$230.25

Water Dept: Southwest Water \$2,817.50; Ross Myran \$800; Pat Wilson \$175; Ross Myran – reimb \$15.35; MDU \$149.46

Sewer Dept: Ross Myran \$400; Pat Wilson \$150; Dennis & Vernell Sievers \$500; MDU \$138.49

Garbage Dept: MGM Sanitation \$2,623.56; Pat Wilson \$125

Streets: Ross Myran \$125

Bldg & Devel: Dakota West Inspection Services \$6,100

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, October 1st at City Hall.

Moved by Daryl Jurgens, seconded by Ray Fettig, and carried to adjourn.

Russ Myran, Mayor

Patricia Wilson, Auditor