

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 November 5, 2013 regular City Council meeting were approved as read.

Visitors: Charlie Elkin, Patrick Hope, Stark County Deputies Shane Holtz and Ray Kaylor

Dep. Holtz and Dep. Kaylor presented a report of calls and policing for the month of November.

Charlie Elkin requested preliminary approval to construct a shop building on lots south of the railroad tracks.

**Motion to approve a preliminary Building Permit for a 50' x 90' commercial steel structure:**

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

Patrick Hope, an attorney with the firm Maus & Nordsven PC, presented information on services he could provide to the City of Taylor. Discussion followed.

**Motion to appoint Patrick Hope as the Taylor City Attorney:**

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

Ron Luff contacted Dakota Community Insurance and was told that the City's liability policy has coverage for damage claims resulting from a failure of the City's sewer system. In the future, all such claims will be referred to the insurer's agent and adjuster.

**Motion to discontinue the City's current policy covering sewer backup claims and to refer all future claims to the City's insurer:**

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

The City received the renewal applications for beer and liquor licenses from the Sit-N-Bull bar.

**Motion to approve the annual Retail Beer License for 2014 and a 6-month Retail Liquor License for the period 1/1/14 thru 6/30/14 for the Sit-N-Bull bar:**

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

A building permit approved on October 1<sup>st</sup> issued to Valtex, was requested in error.

**Motion to void the building permit for Prairie East Lot 19 – 205 Larsen Circle:**

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

The lift station upgrade was tabled, pending additional info from MDU. There was discussion on the status of ordinance revisions. The Nov. 2013 financial report was accepted as presented.

The auditor requested a motion to clear negative balances in the Advertising and Street Debt Service funds at year-end via transfers from the General fund.

**Motion to transfer funds from General to Advertising and Street Debt Service to clear negative balances:**

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

Bills submitted for payment –

General Exp: Pat Wilson \$450; Ross Myran \$675; Ross Myran-reimb \$10.89; Pat Wilson-reimb \$288.80; Cenex \$34.52; Jim’s Repair \$106.26; Mac’s Hardware \$16.80; Richardton Merchant \$320; MDU \$407.52

Water Dept: Southwest Water \$1,393; Ross Myran \$800; Pat Wilson \$175; HD Waterworks \$1,284.54; MDU \$198.10

Sewer Dept: Ross Myran \$400; Pat Wilson \$150; MDU \$224.08

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

Streets: Ross Myran \$125

Bldg & Devel: Dakota West Inspection Services \$3,950

**Motion to pay the bills:** Moved by Ray Fettig, seconded by Daryl Jurgens, motion carried unanimously.

The next regular City Council meeting is at 7:30pm on Tuesday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at City Hall.

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

Russ Myran, Mayor

Patricia Wilson, Auditor