City of Taylor, North Dakota

July 13, 2020 at 7:05 pm.

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Emory Vaagen.

Council Members present: Travis Christensen, Daryl Jurgens and Melissa Gjermundson.

Visitors; Sheriff’s Deputy Ray Kaylor, Reid Vaagen, Pat Marx, Coree Hofland, Vickie Solemsaas and Kenny Christianson

The minutes of the June 8, 2020 City Council meeting were approved as read.

The minutes of the June 23, 2020 Organizational City Council meeting were approved as read.

Sheriff’s Deputy Ray Kaylor gave a patrol report.

Coree Hofland had concerns regarding yield sign placement.

Vickie Solemsaas informed the Council that Dakota Community Bank windows have been pitted by Straight Line Paving as they were working on crack seal on Ertel Ave. Emory Vaagan and Vickie Solemsaas are working with the company to come up with an acceptable solution.

Pat Marx requested a yearly event liquor license. Auditor Aune will look into what other smaller towns are doing.

Melissa Gjermundson moved to approve a special event liquor license for August 29th, 2020 at Heritage Hill, seconded by Travis Christensen. MC

Travis Christensen moved to approve a special event liquor license for September 19, 2020 at the Opera House, seconded by Melissa Gjermundson. MC

Opera House will have the air conditioning system completed this week.

Lift station has new pumps now. Some wiring is still needing to be finished.

Daryl Jurgens moved to approve permit 20-07 for District 36 Republican Party, seconded by Travis Christensen. MC

Street patches will be done on three different areas, concrete will be used.

Travis Christensen moved to approve $10,000 for supplies in the City’s shop, seconded by Daryl Jurgens. MC

The City of Taylor is currently at 53.8% complete regarding residence that have completed the 2020 Census. The Board looked at different ways to help and encourage people to fill out the forms either online or by mail. Residents are asked to contact any Council member or the Auditor if they need help with this process.

Wi-fi will be installed at the Opera House.

Ray Fettig resigned from the City Board. He thanked everyone for voting him in each election.

2021 Preliminary Budget was discussed. Melissa Gjermundson and Travis Christensen will meet with Auditor Aune to have it ready on August 10, 2020 meeting.

Daryl Jurgens moved to approve $135 a month raise to Auditor Aune, seconded by Travis Christensen. MC This will set the Auditor yearly wage at $12,420. The City maintenance yearly wage will be $24,000.

A certified letter will be sent to a resident that is continually delinquent with the utility payment.

June financial report was approved as read.

Melissa Gjermundson moved to approve July bills, seconded by Travis Christensen. MC

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| **GENERAL** | 8676-8683 | Payroll  | $3,607.50  |
|  | 8684 | Richardton Merchant | $19.23  |
|  | 8685 | MDU | $75.49  |
|  | 8686 | Cenex | $39.32  |
|  | 8687 | Menards | $93.87  |
|  | 8688 | Reid Vaagen | $201.06  |
|  | 8689 | SBM | $137.05  |
|  | 8690 | ND League of Cities | $321.00  |
|  | 8691 | IRS | $1,817.14  |
|  | 8693 | SW Grain | $94.75  |
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| **Hiway** | 8685 | MDU | $91.97  |
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| **Opera Houae** | 8685 | MDU | $62.17  |
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| **Water** | 8685 | MDU | $250.55  |
|  | 8692 | SW Water | $4,334.00  |
|  | 8694 | SWDHU | $60.00  |
|  | 8695 | Pump Systems | $4,843.29  |
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| **Sewer** | 8685 | MDU | $134.93  |
|  | 8695 | Pump Systems | $38,518.76  |
|  | 8696 | Sackman Electric | $694.75  |
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| **Garbage** | 8697 | MGM Sanitation | $3,268.00  |
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The next regular City council meeting will be August 10, 2020.

Melissa Gjermundson moved to adjourn at 10:35 pm seconded by Daryl Jurgens. MC

Emory Vaagen, Mayor Lisa Aune, Auditor