City of Taylor, North Dakota

June 14, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Emory Vaagen at 6:00 PM.

Council Members present: Coree Hofland, Travis Christensen, Daryl Jurgens, Melissa Gjermundson, Mayor Emory Vaagen

Visitors; Sheriff Ray Kaylor, Russ Myran, and Reid Vaagen

Councilwoman Gjermundson moved to approve the agenda with the additions of adding mosquito fogger and grass maintenance to new business, seconded by Councilman Travis Christensen. MCU

Councilwoman Gjermundson moved to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2021 City Council meeting as corrected, seconded by Councilwoman Hofland. MCU

Councilwoman Hofland moved to approve the minutes from May 27,2021, seconded by Councilman Jurgens. MCU.

Sheriff Ray Kaylor gave a brief policing report.

City Attorney is working on contacting Charlie Lorne. Councilwoman Hofland stated that Roger Wilson would be willing to make a cover for the open cistron, but the City does not want to assume liability until the legal process is complete.

Mayor Vaagen is purchasing fire extinguishers for the Opera House. He will also be looking into an AED to purchase.

Councilman Christensen stated that three street repairs have been completed. Councilman Jurgens stated that there was one more left to do.

Councilman Christensen moved to approve the resolutions setting the Auditor’s Bond, seconded by Councilwoman Hofland: Whereas, the City of Taylor, North Dakota, is covered by a blanket bond by the North Dakota State Bonding Fund, and Whereas, the North Dakota State Bonding Fund provides fidelity coverage for city employees and city officials in dealing with public funds: and whereas, the bond is fixed by the city governing body and set by resolution as provided in North Dakota Century Code section 40-13-02: Now, therefore, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Taylor, North Dakota, that the Auditor Bond coverage by the North Dakota State Bonding Fund in the amount of $334,397.70 has been reviewed and found to be sufficient.

Reid Vaagen stated that the lagoon would bee aerated this week. He also stated Travis Sabrowski donated some lumber.

Councilwoman Hofland moved to approve the purchase of the direct deposit module for the Banyon software at the rate of $995.00 for the initial cost and $195.00 for each additional year., seconded by Councilman Jurgens. MCU

Council selected parcels that needed mowing letters sent.

Mayor Vaagen stated that Richardton Commissioner President Tom Roll had requested the use of the mosquito fogger to spray the City of Richardton. Due to the lack of spray the Council could not let Richardton use it.

Craig Jurgens sprayed the lagoon for noxious weeds and will submit a bill. Craig will be asked to spray the landfill as well.

Councilman Christensen moved to approve a building permit for 105 Ave for a 10X20 shed, seconded by Councilwoman Gjermundson. MCU

Discussion was held regarding if water meter reading dates should be on a specific date of each month or if there can be flexibility with a time period of the meter reading being at the end of the month. Auditor Aune requested the dates 28-31th of each month. Councilwoman Hofland made a motion to have the water meter readings be done on the 28th of every month, seconded by Councilman Jurgens, upon roll call vote- Christensen-nay, Hofland-aye, Jurgens-aye, Gjermundson-nay, due to tie vote Mayor Vaagen votes-aye. MC

Mayor Vaagen stated Auditor Aune to set up training for City Maintenance Reid Vaagen to do the monthly water meter reading per the city maintenance job description.

Councilwoman Hofland informed the Council that the Opera House Committee will request funds from Dunn County Commission. After further discussion on the Opera House rates the Council agreed to charge the following; $150 for the daily rate, $1000 for 3-day events, $300 deposit for events without a bar and $500 deposits for events with a bar. Event insurance will need to be purchased for each event by the renter. Cleaning personnel will need to be hired for upkeep of the Opera House.

Mayor Vaagen requested that Auditor Aune look into setting up a user-friendly website for the City.

A 1994 Chevrolet pickup was purchased from Delvin Praus for $4,500.00, to be purchased from the maintenance supply fund budget set up in 2020.

Councilman Jurgens moved to approve a Company/Financial Institution ACH Origination agreement with Dakota Community Bank, seconded by Councilman Hofland, MCU

Councilman Jurgens moved to approve the May financial report as presented, seconded by Councilman Christensen. MCU

Councilman Christensen moved to approve the June bills as presented, seconded by Councilwoman Hofland. MCU

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| **GENERAL** |   |   |   |
|  | 8867-8 | Payroll | $3,035.00  |
|  | 8869 | Consolidated Telcom | $103.73  |
|  | 8870 | Lisa Aune | $78.00  |
|  | 8871 | Delvin Praus | $4,500.00  |
|  | 8872 | MacKoff Kellogg Law Firm | $734.76  |
|  | 8873 | MDU | $95.31  |
|  | 8874 | NDIRF | $519.00  |
|  | 8875 | Reid Vaggen | $26.18  |
|  | 8876 | Newby's | $58.39  |
| **HIWAY** |   |   |   |
|  | 8873 | MDU | $122.98  |
|  | 8878 | Jurgens Operating | $1,000.00  |
|  | 8879 | Lenny's Repair | $2,715.60  |
| **Opera House** |   |   |   |
|  | 8877 | Stark County Development | $100.00  |
|  | 8873 | MDU | $172.87  |
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| **WATER** | 8873 | MDU | $235.12  |
|  | 8880 | SW Water | $2,637.60  |
|  | 8881 | ND Rural Water | $255.00  |
|  | 8882 | HR Collaborate | $50.00  |
| **SEWER** |   |   |   |
|  | 8873 | MDU | $127.36  |
|  | 8883 | NDLC | $30.00  |
|  | 8884 | Pump Systems | $1,650.00  |
| **GARBAGE** | 8885 | MGM Sanitation | $3,283.00  |

The next regular City council meeting will be moved to July 19, 2021 at 6:00pm.

Councilwoman Gjermundson moved to adjourn at 8:15 PM seconded by Councilman Christensen. MCU

Emory Vaagen, Mayor Lisa Aune, Auditor