**City of Taylor, North Dakota – December 09, 2024**

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

All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members present: Melissa Gjermundson (on a phone call), Mark Sloop, and Chase Hanson. Also present is City Auditor Lisa Aune, Secretary Nina Wolf, and City Maintenance Todd Snyder.

Councilman Sloop moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Councilman Hanson. MCU.

The Council reviewed the November 11 regular city council meeting minutes. Councilwoman Gjermundson moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilman Sloop. MCU.

**Visitors:**

Deputy Ray Kaylor – gave report.

**Maintenance Report –** Coordinating with Councilman Sloop to do water sample reports. Scheduled to attend water waste training.

**Old Business:**

Moore Engineering update – Engr. Anthony Setness gave their report as follows:

Construction Items Remaining:

* Tear down of pump house and level dirt
* Well work and valve vault
* Councilman Sloop moved to approve Contractors Application for Payment 3 amounting to $313,754.13, seconded by Councilman Hanson. MCU
* Councilman Sloop moved to approve Moore Engineering Invoice 41436 of $37,690.60, seconded by Councilman Hanson. MCU

Special Assessment:

* Already reached out to the committee. The plan is to start meeting after New Year’s and finish before summer.

Engr. Setness mentioned putting in application at the US Army Corps Engineers Construction Grant. This is for the lagoon project.

**New Business:**

2025 Taylor Community Grant – City Auditor Lisa Aune presented the idea and description for the project. It is going to be city funded that aims for community betterment. There was a discussion among the council and it was decided to table it until December 2025.

New City Hall – Mayor Rebel created a committee to start working on this project: Russ Myran, City Auditor Lisa Aune, Mark Sloop, and Chase Hanson.

Stark County Small City Infrastructure Grant – City Auditor Lisa Aune has started the process to apply for the first year amounting to $89,000.00. Councilman Sloop moved to allocate the grant money to the water project, seconded by Councilman Hanson. MCU.

Animal Ordinance Review – The council read through and reviewed the current ordinance. There was a discussion and City Auditor Lisa Aune will seek the advice of the City Attorney for revision. First reading will be on January meeting.

Water Meter Replacement – Councilman Sloop and City Maintenance Todd Snyder will look at those meters on how to replace them.

Flag Plaque – Frank Zillich donated $100.00 gift card to the city, and since the city already purchased a flag, the council decided to use the gift card to buy a plaque with his credentials for display with the flag.

Sit-N-Bull Beer/Liquor License - Councilman Sloop moved to approve the Sit-N-Bull beer license for 2025, seconded by Councilman Hanson, MCU

Councilwoman Gjermundson moved to approve the Sit-N-Bull liquor license for 2025, seconded by Councilman Sloop, MCU

**Portfolios:**

* Mayor Rebel – TCA will rent The Opera House on December 31 for their spaghetti night, from 5:00-6:30PM, and bonfire and tractor sleigh rides on the hill by the red barn. Taylor Volunteer Fire Department will do firework display at 7:00PM.
* Hanson (Water, Street) – no report
* Gjermundson (Police, Building) – no report
* Jurgens – (Police, Street) not in attendance
* Sloop – (Building, Water) no report

**Auditor’s Report:**

* November Financial Report approval – Councilman Sloop moved to approve the November Financial Report, seconded by Councilman Hanson. MCU.
* Bills to be paid approval – Councilman Sloop moved to approve the bills to be paid, seconded by Councilman Hanson. MCU.

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| **GENERAL** |  |  |  |
|  | 9773-5 | Payroll | $3,468.50  |
|  | 9776 | Richardton Merchant | $340.00  |
|  | 9777 | MDU | $221.31  |
|  | EFT | Consolidated Telcom | $118.62  |
|  | 9778 | NDLC | $50.00  |
|  | 9779 | Lisa Aune | $418.00  |
| **HIWAY** |  |  |  |
|  | 9777 | MDU | $140.23  |
|  | 9780 | Jurgens Operating | $250.00  |
| **OPERA HOUSE** |   |   |   |
|  | 9783 | Nina Wolf | $29.33  |
|  | 9777 | MDU | $285.40  |
| **WATER** |  |  |  |
|  | 9777 | MDU | $339.60  |
|  | 9784 | SW Water Authority | $2,493.31  |
|  | 9786 | SWDHU | $25.00  |
|  | ACH | DCB | $10.00  |
| **2024 Water Tower** |  |  |  |
|  | 9782 | BEK Consulting | $442,978.26  |
|  | 9785 | Moore Engineering | $37,690.60  |
| **SEWER** |   |  |  |
|  | 9777 | MDU | $157.94  |
| **GARBAGE** |   |   |   |
|  | 9787 | MGM Sanitation | $3,675.85  |

* Past due invoices – Nina Wolf reported eight accounts that are past due as of November.

**Correspondence:** No report

**Announcement:**

Next City Council meeting will be on January 13, 2025, at 6:00PM.

**Adjournment:**

Councilman Sloop moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:36PM, seconded by Councilman Hanson. MCU.

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Mayor Ross Rebel Nina Wolf, Secretary