City of Taylor, North Dakota – June 09, 2025

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Rebel at 6:02 PM.

All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members present: Melissa Gjermundson, and Chase Hanson. Also present are City Auditor Lisa Aune and Secretary Nina Wolf.

Councilwoman Gjermundson moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Councilman Hanson. MCU. Mayor Rebel approved the motion.

The Council reviewed the May 12, 2025 regular city council meeting minutes. Councilman Hanson moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilwoman Gjermundson. MCU. Mayor Rebel approved the motion.

Visitors: Jessica Deichert – Seeks help with rat infestation in her property. City Auditor Lisa Aune will look in hiring pest control. Will also send letters for property clean-up to the surrounding vacant houses.

Travis Sabrowsky for Taylor Volunteer Fire Department – Seeks approval in renewing their gaming license. Councilwoman Gjermundson moved to renew the license, seconded by Councilman Hanson. MCU. Mayor Rebel approved the motion. He also briefed the council about his ongoing project with Taylor-Richardton Elementary; asked questions about the water meter and locating the sewer line.

Old Business:

* Moore Engineering update: Anthony Setness

Water System Improvement District 2024-1

* Special Assessments is finalized. Public hearing date is set on July 08, 2025, 6PM at The Opera House. Assessment list will also be published in Richardton Merchant and The Dickinson Press.
* Councilwoman Gjermundson moved to approve Moore Engineering invoice SIN002470 amounting to $6,347.50, seconded by Councilman Hanson. MCU. Mayor Rebel approved the motion. DWR Grant will cover $1,898.25 and City/SRF will cover $4,449.25.
* Councilwoman Gjermundson moved to direct the mayor to sign the “Project Acceptance and Initiation,” seconded by Councilman Hanson. MCU. Mayor Rebel approved the motion.

Lift Station Replacement:

* Plans and specs creation ongoing, 60% complete
* Special meeting to discuss lift station design is set on June 25, 2025, 6PM at the City Hall
* Councilwoman Gjermundson moved to approve Moore Engineering invoice SIN002486 amounting to $52,650.00, seconded by Councilman Hanson. MCU. Mayor Rebel approved the motion.

Street Light Project:

* Application for the grant is completed.
* Councilwoman Gjermundson moved to approve Moore Engineering invoice SIN002487 amounting to $3,900.00, seconded by Councilman Hanson. MCU. Mayor Rebel approved the motion.
* Street Repairs – The council identified the streets that needs repairing. The city will look for a company to hire. Travis Sabrowsky will talk to his contact person, if they can possibly take on the job to work on some of these repairs.
* City Hall Building – There was a discussion to demolish the old city hall to build a new city hall. Russ Myran did a draft building design and presented it to the council. Still needs further discussion.

New Business:

* 2024 Consumer Confidence Report – Copy of the report will be posted in town and is also available to residents as requested.
* Property clean-up letters – City Auditor Lisa Aune will send out letters to five residents.
* Resolution No. 2025-01 Auditor’s Bond – Councilwoman Gjermundson moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilman Hanson. MCU. Roll call vote of 2 yes, 0 no. Mayor Rebel approved the motion.

Portfolios:

* Hanson – The water pressure is adjusted as discussed last meeting.
* Gjermundson – Speed limit and stop signs will be up soon, to be installed by 3D Specialists.
* Jurgens – not in attendance. City Auditor Lisa Aune will call Mrs. Jurgens regarding his current situation.
* Sloop – absent

Auditor’s Report:

* May Financial Report approval – Councilman Hanson moved to approve the May Financial Report, seconded by Councilwoman Gjermundson. MCU. Mayor Rebel approved the motion.
* Councilwoman Gjermundson moved to increase the sewer rate, from $15.00 to $20.00 effective June 2025, seconded by Councilman Hanson. MCU. Mayor Rebel approved the motion.
* Councilwoman Gjermundson moved to increase the garbage rate, from $24.00 to $27.50 effective June 2025, seconded by Councilman Hanson. MCU. Mayor Rebel approved the motion.
* Bills to be paid approval – Councilwoman Gjermundson moved to approve the bills to be paid, seconded by Councilman Hanson. MCU. Mayor Rebel approved the motion.

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| GENERAL |  |  |  |
|  | 9868-70 | Payroll | $3,808.60  |
|  | EFT | MDU | $103.14  |
|  | EFT | Consolidated Telcom | $118.67  |
|  | 9879 | Dakota Community Bank | $50.00  |
|  | 9878 | Lisa Aune | $106.40  |
|  | 9874 | Richardton Merchant | $379.00  |
|  | 9872 | Stark County Dev. Corp | $100.00  |
| HIWAY |  |  |  |
|   | EFT | MDU | $133.82  |
|  | 9876 | Moore Engineering | $3,900.00  |
| OPERA HOUSE |   |   |   |
|  | EFT | MDU | $145.27  |
|  | 9875 | Nina Wolf | $34.06  |
| WATER |  |  |  |
|   | EFT | MDU | $63.57  |
|  | 9873 | SW Water Authority | $4,336.89  |
|  | 9871 | SWDHU | $25.00  |
|  | EFT | DCB | $10.00  |
| 2024 Water Tower |  |  |  |
|  | 9876 | Moore Engineering | $6,347.50  |
| SEWER |   |  |  |
|  | EFT | MDU | $217.95  |
|  | 9876 | Moore Engineering | $52,650.00  |
| GARBAGE |   |   |   |
|   | 9877 | MGM Sanitation | $3,675.85  |
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* Past due invoices – Nina Wolf reported six accounts that are past due as of April 2025. A notice was written on their bill. One resident paid partial, and another resident said he will drop a check this Thursday (June 12)

Announcement: Next regular City Council meeting will be on July 14, 2025, at 6:00PM.

Councilman Hanson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:43PM, seconded by Councilwoman Gjermundson. MCU. Mayor Rebel approved the motion.

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Mayor Ross Rebel Nina Wolf, Secretary