Regular City Council Meeting

Carnegie Library

April 3, 2023

Mayor DeBoer opened the Regular City Council Meeting at 7:05pm and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Others Attending are:

Council: Linda Brunckhorst, Ken Rockeman, and Leonard Woehler. Councilman Ferguson was absent.

City Attorney: Jim Lippert

City Staff: Hope Mosness, Clerk/Treasurer, Kris Novotny, Public Works Director

City/County Staff: Alan Ronneberg, County Sheriff

Public: Christine Bakke – Sweet Grass County Chamber of Commerce, Lana King – Planning Office, and Pat Hansen

Councilman Woehler gave the Invocation.

Councilwoman Rockeman moved to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting on March 20, 2023, seconded by Councilwoman Brunckhorst. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council present.

Sheriff Ronneberg reported that there were 289 calls, 11 cases, and 23 offenses for the month of March. Deputies have been attending a lot of trainings and will continue attending trainings in April and May. Councilman Woehler asked if Sheriff’s Department has a plan in place in case of a train derailment. Sheriff Ronneberg stated that the County and City have one in their Emergency Operations Plan.

Kris Novotny, Public Works Director, reported that he met with Great West discussing the Water Phase 2 Project and have decided on replacing water mainline on four blocks on 8th Avenue from McLeod to Busha Street. The department has been busy hauling off snow from the streets. They were able to start patching potholes. The Bramble Street paving project has a start date of around the 3rd week of April. Austin, Brian, and Kris will take their Pool Operator Certification this month. Gates for the transfer station have been coated and are ready to be installed. Brian and Austin passed their CDL Class A License plus Tanker Endorsement written test. Kris took the CDL Class A and passed as well.

Kris Novotny presented the bids from the Bramble Street Paving project. Only one bid was received from Treasure State Inc from Bozeman for $284,450.38. Councilman Woehler made a motion to accept the paving bid from Treasure State Inc for Bramble Street, seconded by Councilwoman Brunckhorst. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council present.

Mayor DeBoer presented an email from Boulder River Watershed Project stating that the city can pay Tetra Tech directly for the water testing. Councilman Rockeman made a motion to approve $20,000 payment to Tetra Tech on work done on the water study up the Boulder River and that we will pay Tetra Tech directly up to $20,000 for their work, seconded by Councilman Woehler. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council present.

Christine Bakke from the Sweet Grass County Chamber of Commerce asked the city for permission to close 2nd and 3rd Street during Sweet Grass Fest on June 23rd at 5pm until June 24th at 5pm. Councilman Woehler made a motion to approve the street closures for Sweet Grass Fest on June 23rd from 5pm to June 24th at 5pm, seconded by Councilman Rockeman. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council present.

Christine Bakke also asked the city for a dumpster for this year’s trash pickup day on May 5th. Kris will order the dumpster from Republic Services. If Republic Services will not donate the dumpster, then the city will pay for it. Councilwoman Brunckhorst made a motion that Kris arrange for a dumpster for May 5th Chamber organized trash pickup, seconded by Councilman Rockeman. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council present.

Lana King from the Planning Office presented the Certificate of Survey for the Hart Street PUD and all documentation that will be filed with the County. Councilwoman Brunckhorst made a motion that we approve the Certificate of Survey for the Hart St PUD, seconded by Councilman Woehler. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council present.

Public Comment: Christine Bakke is the new Administrative and Membership Coordinator for the Sweet Grass County Chamber of Commerce. Pat Hansen asked if residents would get information about the Bramble Street paving project.

Councilman Woehler made a motion to approve the claims approval list, payroll, and overtime for March 2023, seconded by Councilwoman Brunckhorst. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council present.

There being no further business to go before the Council, Councilman Rockeman moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:47pm, seconded by Councilman Woehler. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council present.

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 Greg DeBoer, Mayor

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