

City of Lidgerwood  
Council Meeting Minutes

April 01, 2024

Council Room

7:00pm

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kevin Oster with Council members Richard Novotny, Deb Anderson, Bill Illies, and DuWayne Irwin present. Council members Dylan Anderson and Tanya Bohnenstingl were absent. Also, present were Brock & Zoe Wieber, John Popp, Tim Wisnewski, Jesse Frolek, Pam Kraemer, Darby Harles, Aaron Frolek, Ron Kill, Deputy Grenz, Gaven Steffens, and Cheryl Grenz.

The pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The council read over the minutes from March 04, 2024.

Motion by Deb Anderson to accept the minutes second by DuWayne Irwin, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Brock and Zoe Wieber approached the Council about parcel number 47-0001-03237.000 located at 202 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave SW with an interest in purchasing the property.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to sell it to Brock and Zoe Wieber for \$150.00 second by Richard Novotny, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

John Popp approached the council with information about Popp Binding business and reminded them it is still for sale.

Tim Wisnewski approached the Council about purchasing 3<sup>rd</sup> St N. The Council informed him they could not sell a street.

Jesse Frolek, Pam Kraemer, and Darby Harles talked with the council about building a twin home. The property that they are interested in is 209 1<sup>st</sup> Ave SE and the contractor would be Toby Differding with Signature Homes Inc.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to sell lots 9 and 10 of block 26 to Toby Differding for \$150.00 address of 209 1<sup>st</sup> Ave SE with a 2 year stipulation second by Richard Novotny, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Aaron Frolek presented a renaissance zone application to the council for approval.

Motion by Richard Novotny to accept the renaissance zone application for Frolek Brother's Inc at 12 Wiley Ave N second by Bill Illies, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Ron Kill gave the Judge's report.

Deputy Grenz gave the police report.

The Superintendent's report was given by Gaven Steffens. He gave the Council the bill and estimate from JBX for the demolition of the Belcher house and Bruce Lee's house.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to accept the bid for \$16,000.00 for taking down Bruce Lee's house to JBX second by Richard Novotny, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

The council discussed what funds the money should pay for the demolitions.

Motion by Richard Novotny to take the money out of the city sales tax first .5% for the demolition of the 2 houses for JBX second by Bill Illies, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

The Auditor's report was given by Cheryl Grenz.

The bills were presented to the Council.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to approve the bills with the addition of JBX for \$15,000.00 for the Belcher house second by Richard Novotny, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

The utility report was given by Cheryl Grenz. The council discussed increasing the water base rate.

Motion by Deb Anderson to raise the base water rate to an additional \$10.00 a month. The motion failed for lack of a second.

Motion by Richard Novotny to raise the base rate \$7.00 a month to \$30.00 per month second by Bill Illies, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Deb Anderson gave a report about the Airport Authority this month.

There was no report for Dakota Estates Retirement Center this month.

The report for the Housing Authority was given by DuWayne Irwin. The council was informed of the repairs being done to the apartment at 25 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave NW and that there is not enough money to pay for the repairs.

Motion by Bill Illies for \$6,000.00 to help the Housing committee to redo the apartment flooring second by Deb Anderson, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Mayor Kevin Oster would like to appoint Jesse Frolek to the housing authority.

Motion by Deb Anderson to approve the appointment of Jesse Frolek to the housing authority second by DuWayne Irwin, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Mayor Kevin Oster would like to appoint Pam Kraemer to the housing authority.

Motion by Deb Anderson to approve the appointment of Pam Kraemer to the housing authority second by DuWayne Irwin, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

There was nothing to report about the library this month.

Ordinance number 285 Governing the use of dumpsters, roll-off containers, portable storage units, or equivalent containers was presented to the Council.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin so move [to approve the first reading of Ordinance number 285 Governing the use of dumpsters, roll-off containers, portable storage units, or equivalent containers] second by Richard Novotny, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

The gaming site authorizations from the American Legion were present to the council for approval.

Motion by Deb Anderson to allow Lidgerwood American Legion Bullis Post 84 a gaming site authorization for the Lidgerwood Golf Club from April 15 through June 30, 2024, second by DuWayne Irwin, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Motion by Deb Anderson to allow American Legion Bullis Post 84 to have gaming site authorization for the American Legion, Lidgerwood Bar & Lounge, and Lidgerwood Golf Club second by Richard Novotny, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

The council was informed of the notice of application for appropriation of water for Jeremy Gleason.

Motion by Bill Illies against allowing water pumped out of Moran Lake and authorize the Auditor to send a letter second by Richard Novotny, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

The Council was reminded that election paperwork must be completed and turned in by April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024, by 4:00 pm.

The Council was reminded to get the employee evaluations within the week.

There was discussion about when to schedule a city-wide cleanup day and the cost of \$30.00 per mattress and \$40.00 per tire that Storbakken Sanitation must pay to dispose of them.

Motion by DuWayne to do clean up day May 23. Motion failed due to lack of second.

The Council was presented with 2 applications to work at the city dump.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to hire them both and let them figure out the schedule second by Richard Novotny, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to adjourn meeting at 9:09 pm seconded by Richard Novotny, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

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Cheryl Grenz  
City Auditor

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Kevin Oster  
Mayor

Minutes are subject to revision and approval and the next regular council meeting.