

City of Lidgerwood
Council Meeting Minutes

February 05, 2024

Council Room

7:00pm

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kevin Oster with Council members Richard Novotny, Deb Anderson, DuWayne Irwin present. Council members Dylan Anderson and Bill Illies were absent. Also, present were Bill Mattson, Jim, Jesse Frolek, Darby Harles, Richard Mower with Waste Management, Juli Mauch, Ron Kill, Deputy Grenz, Gaven Steffens, and Cheryl Grenz.

The pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to approve the minutes second by Tanya Bohnenstingl, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Bill Mattson talked to the Council about getting a variance to be able to do an addition to Curt Ohm house on the northside. The set back for the property will be looked into.

Jim wanted to understand what happened with Nicole Conry getting her water shut off.

Jesse Frolek approached the Council about being on the Housing Authority or some way he could help and / or work with the Housing Authority.

Richard Mower talked with the Council about the issues with not everyone's recycling not being collected. The route manager is going to follow the drive the next pick-up day and see what happens.

Juli Mauch presented to the Council the number of visitors to the website and Facebook. She reminded the Council that her 6-month contract is up at the end of March.

Motion by Richard Novotny to have Juli Mauch continue with the website and Facebook for 1 year starting April 1, 2024, second by DuWayne Irwin, 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.

The Auditor's report was given to the council. The Auditor talked to the Council about getting LED motion sensor lights for the basement.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to order the LED sensor lights second by Tanya Bohnenstingl, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

There was discussion about the highway fund being in a \$71, 529.18 deficit and how to correct the deficit. The deficit comes from all the snow removal and equipment repair and maintenance.

The bills were presented to the Council.

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

Cheryl gave the Utility report. The Council will look at Resolution 368 ESTABLISHING CHARGES FOR DELINQUENT WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNTS and discuss if there needs to be any amendments to the disconnect process.

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

Tanya Bohnenstingl gave the Dakota Estates Retirement Center report and reminded the Council the February 8th is Giving Hearts Day.

The report for the Housing Authority was given by DuWayne Irwin.

There was nothing to report about the library this month.

Deb Anderson updated the Council on the status of the Renaissance Zone Plan.

The Auditor informed the Council that she will be contacting Jackie Babbit with the Richland County Recorder's office about any easements or vacates in between 3rd St SW and 4th St SW.

The Council was informed that it is election year and paperwork may be completed and turned in by April 8th, 2024, by 4:00 pm.

The mayor reminded the Council that the City Forum is Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at 7:00 pm at the American Legion.

The Council was informed that the property they motioned to sell to Jason Neiber cannot be done the way it was because it is public property. It would need to be advertised 4 times, public hearing, and vacated and that it would be split between the property owner to the north and south.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to rescind the motion to sell the property to Jason Neiber second by Tanya Bohnenstingl, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to adjourn meeting at 10:05 pm seconded by Tanya Bohnenstingl, 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.