

City of Lidgerwood
Council Meeting Minutes

March 04, 2024

Council Room

7:00pm

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kevin Oster with Council members Richard Novotny, Deb Anderson, Bill Illies present. Council members Dylan Anderson and Tanya Bohnenstingl were absent. Also, present were John Popp, Ron Kill, Deputy Grenz, Gaven Steffens, and Cheryl Grenz.

The pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Deb Anderson to accept the minutes with the addition of Orth to Jim second by Richard Novotny, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

John Popp approached the council about Popp Binding being for sale.

The Council discussed the variance need to do an addition on Curt Ohm's house on the northside of his house.

Motion by Richard Novotny to go with the variance to allow them to go a foot and a half into the 3' side yard minimum 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. Gaven informed the Council about the current condition of the sensaphone for the alarms for the water plant. The new system is a SCADA system through Insight.

Motion by Deb Anderson to get the new alarm system from Sweeny Controls for the water plant. Motion died for the lack of a second.

The Auditor's report was given by Cheryl Grenz. The auditor talked with the Council about the unintended use of her personal cell phone being used for work related things and wondered if she could get a stipend like the City Superintendent.

Motion by Richard Novotny to pay Cheryl a stipend of \$50.00 for the use of personal cellphone for work second by Bill Illies, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

The bills were presented to the Council.

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

The utility report was given by Cheryl Grenz. The Council will look at Resolution 368 ESTABLISHING CHARGES FOR DELINQUENT WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNTS and would like the following amendments to Resolution 368: Upon the fifth delinquency with in a 12-month period water will not be turned on until the account holder attends a regularly scheduled Council meeting or has the bill paid in full with all fines and past due bills paid. The delinquent person must meet with the City Auditor or the Mayor.

Motion by Deb Anderson to amend Resolution 368 Establishing Charges for delinquent water and sewer accounts; Upon the fifth delinquency with in a 12-month period water will not be turned on until the account holder attends a regularly scheduled Council meeting or has the bill paid in full with all fines and past due bills paid. The delinquent person must meet with the City Auditor or the Mayor, with those changes made to the Resolution and effective date March 15, 2024, second by Richard Novotny, 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 Richard Novotny.

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 contacted Jackie Babbit with the Richland County Recorder's office about any easements or vacates in between 3rd St SW and 4th St SW, and the only easement was for sewer.

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

Discussion was had about the plans for the NDSTREET project to Dollar General. At the meeting with the Engineer, ND DOT, and the State it was brought up about lighting between Wolfe Ford and Dollar General.

Tanya Bohnenstingl talked to the Council via phone about the special event permit for the Corner Bar at American Legion on April 20, 2024, for a dart tournament with the proceeds going to Dakota Estates Retirement Center.

Motion by Deb Anderson to give the Corner Bar a Special Event Permit for April 20, 2024, at the Legion Hall second by Richard Novotny, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Motion by Richard Novotny to adjourn meeting at 9:00 pm seconded by Bill Illies, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

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Cheryl Grenz
City Auditor

X

Kevin Oster
Mayor

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