

City of Lidgerwood
Council Meeting Minutes

May 06, 2024

Council Room

7:00pm

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kevin Oster with Council members Richard Novotny, Bill Illies, DuWayne Irwin, Tany Bohnenstingl and Marlin Helmer present. Council members Deb Anderson was absent. Also, present were Elissa Novotny with Dovetail Development, Daniel Arrendondo with Ferguson Waterworks, Craig Lingen, Sargent Grenz, Cheryl Grenz, and Aaron Frolek.

The pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The council read over the minutes from April 01, 2024.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to approve the minutes for April 01, 2024 second by Richard Novotny, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

The Council reviewed the minutes from April 11, 2024, special meeting.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to approve the minutes with the exception of changing the date from April 1, 2024, to April 11, 2024, second by Tanya Bohnenstingl, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Mayor Kevin Oster would like to appoint Marlin Helmer to the vacant council seat.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to accept the appointment second by Richard Novotny, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Elissa Novotny with Dovetail Development approached that council for their opinion on building a 12-plex on the corner of 5th Ave SE and 2nd St SE.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to hold [the lot] contingent for Dovetail Development until next meeting second by Bill Illies, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Daniel Arrendondo, project manager with Ferguson Waterworks introduced himself to the Council.

Craig Lingen with ND Forestry, talked with the Council about the grants for tree projects to help with combating the emerald ash borer and hazardous trees.

Tom Mattson with Gast Construction applied for a building permit for a new State Shop.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to give Tom Mattson from Gast Construction a building permit to do the DOT shop second by Richard Novotny, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Diane Arth applied for a building permit to add a garage to the property.

Motion by Bill Illies to pass the building permit for Diane Arth second by Tanya Bohnenstingl, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Ken Podliska applied for a building permit to add a garage to the property.

Motion by Richard Novotny to accept Ken Podliska's building permit second by DuWayne Irwin, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Farmer's Coop Elevator applied for a building permit to add new offices and weigh room.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to give Farmer's Elevator a building permit second by Richard Novotny, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Bill Illies applied for a building permit to add a garage to the property.

Motion by Tanya Bohnenstingl to approve the building permit for Bill Illies second by DuWayne Irwin, motion carried with all in favor, Bill Illies abstained and none nay.

Christopher Kann applied for a building permit to do an addition on the east side of the house.

Motion by Bill Illies to approve Chris Kann's permit second by Marlin Helmer, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Ralph Dathe applied for a building permit to add a garage to the property.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to give Ralph Dathe a building permit second by Richard Novotny, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

The Council needs to designate an official newspaper.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to make the Monitor our official newspaper second by Tanya Bohnenstingl, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

There is no Judge's report for this month.

Deputy Grenz gave the police report.

The Superintendent's report was given by Mayor Kevin Oster. He talked to the Council about talking to Nancy Boudreau about mowing the city properties and about getting Serocki's to repair some of the potholes.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to use up to \$25,000.00 for Serocki's to fix potholes in various areas second by Richard Novotny, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

The council was informed that Nancy Boudreau put in an application to water the flowers when they are ready.

Motion by Richard Novotny to hire Nancy Boudreau to water the flowers on Wiley Ave second by Tanya Bohnenstingl, 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 second by Bill Illies, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

The Auditor informed the Council that Storbakken Sanitation will charge \$2,500.00 for citywide clean up.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to pay \$2,500.00 to Storbakken Sanitation for city wide clean up second by Bill Illies, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

The utility report was given by Cheryl Grenz.

Resolution number 373 establishing water rates was presented to the council.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to approve Resolution number 373 establishing water rates effective June 1, 2024, second by Bill Illes, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

Aaron Frolek approached the council about the bars staying open until 2:00 am, an ordinance will be drafted for the council to discuss at the next meeting. The Corner bar would like to do car shows the 1st Wednesday of the month starting June 2024 through September 2024 and would like to block that section of street between the Corner Bar and Aligned Health from Wiley Ave to the Alley way.

Motion by Tanya to allow the Corner Bar to do the car shows the 1st Wednesday of every month from June to September second by Marlin Helmer, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

There was no report about the Airport Authority this month.

Tanya Bohnenstingl gave the report for Dakota Estates Retirement Center this month.

The report for the Housing Authority was given by Richard Novotny.

Bill Illies gave the report about the library this month. The library is looking for a librarian and a board member.

There was discussion about Ordinance number 285 Governing the use of dumpsters, roll-off containers, portable storage units, or equivalent containers and the Council want to change the ordinance, so it will not pass the 2nd reading and it will not be adopted.

Jason Forster applied for a chicken permit.

Motion by DuWayne to give Jason Forster a chicken permit second by Tanya Bohnenstingl, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

The gaming site authorization from the American Legion was present to the council for approval.

Motion by Tanya Bohnenstingl to approve the gaming site authorization for the American Legion at the Golf Course second by Marlin Helmer, motion carried with all in favor and none nay.

The council was informed of the notice of application to add point(s) of diversion for Joe and Betty Wettstein.

The Council was presented with 2 applications for the City Superintendent. There will be a special meeting Thursday, May 9, 2024, starting at 7:00 pm to do the interviews.

Motion by DuWayne Irwin to adjourn meeting at 9:39 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.