

Regular Meeting, Ethan Town Board, 10-12-2020

The Town of Ethan board met in regular session on October 12, 2020, at 6:00 pm in the Ethan City Hall. Trustees present were Gregg Thibodeau, Jason Koch, Megan Perry, Lisa Hjellum and Bob Riggs. City personnel present: Betty Raymond and Dave Duba. Others present: none

Chairman Thibodeau called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. All motions were unanimously voted as aye unless stated otherwise.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved on motion by Hjellum, second by Riggs.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the September 21st special meeting were approved on motion by Perry, second by Hjellum. Minutes from the October 1st special meeting were approved on motion by Riggs, second by Koch. There were no Community Center minutes.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:

Motion by Riggs, second by Koch, to approve claims.

General, sewer, water, preservation and community center funds * employee and board wages – board wages \$738.80, Finance wages \$1124.72; Public Works wages, \$2746.70; Hanson Rural Water System, \$4643.00; SD Retirement System \$587.36; American Legal, ordinances \$1750.00; Badger Meter, \$124.95; Bender's Sewer & Drain, wet well \$516.00; Card Services \$290.86; Daily Republic, publishing \$158.98; Dakota Pump, wet well \$268.63; Davison County Auditor, patrol \$1800.00; Dept of Legislative Audit, review \$2145.00; KO Pest Control, spray buildings for bugs \$211.50; Menards, paint & supplies, \$280.72; Mike's Corner, fuel \$65.95; NorthWestern Energy, utilities \$989.06; Santel, telephone \$155.71; SD Department of Health, water tests \$196.00; Weber Sanitation, garbage service \$1442.00; John Deere Financial, tractor payment \$640.51; QuickBooks Payroll Services \$3871.42; US Treasury, payroll taxes \$1258.24; USDA, loan payment \$1023.00.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Finance Officer discussed current financials and informed council that CRF funds have been applied for. Asked council if she should order a plant for the Schoenfelder family. After discussion it was decided to order a plant for around \$50. Also discussed having the new metal letters for the Ethan Ball Park painted and installed.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Discussed water loss report. Dave stated that Logan Koch helped with painting barrier posts for the park, plus curb markings, as part of a school project. He also helped at the Community Center Library. Dave also reported that HydroKlean should be coming soon to do sewer repairs that were previously discussed. Discussed the street sign project that the City applied for with the State. Dave will follow up on that.

CITIZEN INPUT: Riggs informed that council that he will have his bottle calves outside the city limits, but would like to have a permit to allow the animals to get through to the shed which is in city limits. Approved on motion by Hjellum, second by Perry.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nuisance Follow-up: Property around town appears to be getting cleaned up. No more letters will be sent this year, but will plan on having two clean-up days again next year. Discussed putting up more notices around town for the clean-up and promoting with SlickText. People can sign up for text alerts by texting Rustlers to 888111.

NEW BUSINESS:

Building Permit: Scott Weinzetl and Roxy Peterson applied for a permit to build a new garage. Approved on motion by Riggs, second by Koch.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (per SDCL 1-25-2, 1): None

The next board meeting will be November 9th at 6:00 pm. Motion by Riggs, second by Perry, to adjourn at 6:47 pm.

Betty Raymond
Finance Officer

Gregg Thibodeau
Chairman

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