Special Meeting, Ethan Town Board, 9-23-19

The Town of Ethan board met in special session on September 23, 2019, at 6:00 pm in the Ethan City Hall. Trustees present were Lisa Hjellum, Jason Koch, Megan Perry and Nancy Schoenfelder; absent was Gregg Thibodeau. City personnel present: Betty Raymond and Dave Duba.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Added Clint Powell under new business. Motion by Perry, second by Koch, to approve as amended.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes from the September 11th meeting were approved on motion by Perry, second by Schoenfelder,

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:

Motion by Koch, second by Perry, to approve the following claims.

General, sewer, water, preservation and community center funds * Dakota Green, ECC landscaping \$2936.25; Dave Duba, mileage \$28.56; Hanson Rural Water, bulk water \$4096.50; Morgan Theeler, legal \$220.00

FINANCIAL REPORTS: None

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Discussed the Davison County Planning Meeting to be held at the Ethan Community Center at 6:00 pm on October 2nd. Discussed water leak and measures to find it. Discussed documentation of all flood related issues to submit for possible FEMA funds. Individuals are encouraged to submit information on home damage to Davison County Emergency Management. Dave reported that he is getting the lights fixed at the Water Tower Park.

CITIZEN INPUT: Discussed complaint about cats roaming free and about sump pump drainage.

OLD BUSINESS:

Budget, second reading: No corrections were found. Budget approved on motion by Schoenfelder, second by Perry.

Code Enforcement: Tabled on motion by Koch, second by Schoenfelder, until next meeting so full board can discuss.

Video Lottery: Discussed change in law that allows cities to charge up to \$50 per year for each machine. First reading of the ordinance allowing such charges was approved on motion by Perry, second by Koch.

AN ORDINANCE FOR VIDEO LOTTERY MACHINE FEES

Be it ordained by the Town of Ethan to revise Chapter 5 of the Ordinances for said Town to read as follows:

Section 5.3.1 Annual Additional License Fee for Video Lottery Machines on Licensed Premises

Any person who is licensed pursuant to SDCL 35-4-2 (4), (6), (11), (12), (13) or (16), and who is issued a video lottery establishment license pursuant to SDCL 42-7A-41 must pay an additional annual fee for locating video lottery machines on the licensed premises. The fee is established at fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each video lottery machine and the fee shall be paid at the same time and in the same manner as the fees paid on licenses issued pursuant to SDCL 35-4-2. All fees received under this section shall be deposited into the general fund of the City. (SDCL 35-4-103)

First Reading: September 23, 2019

NEW BUSINESS:

Excess Chip Rock: Council discussed the disposal of the chip rock which was removed from the streets due to citizen concern about it being plowed into their yards this winter. Rock was declared surplus on motion by Schoenfelder, second by Hjellum. Motion to set price at \$6.00 per ton was approved on motion by Perry, second by Koch.

Clint Powell: Finance Officer received a request from Mr. Powell to attend the next council meeting. He will present the council with information about possible uses of FEMA funds and about housing development funding. Council invited him to the next meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: none

The next regular board meeting is October 14th at 6:00 pm.

Motion by Schoenfelder, second by Koch adjourn at 6:40 pm.

Betty Raymond Finance Officer Lisa Hjellum Chairman

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