

CITY OF PARK RIVER, NORTH DAKOTA, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2019 AT 5:30 PM.

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The City of Park River held their regular meeting of the Park River City Council on Monday, April 8, 2019 at 5:30 PM.

Mayor Dan Stenvold called the meeting to order; upon roll call the following were present: Council members: Robert Lundquist III, Dennis Kubat, and Keith Anderson, City Attorney Tracy Laaveg, Public Works Director (PWD) Dennis Larson, Coordinator/Auditor Nancy Thompson, and Assessor/Deputy Auditor Ann Berg. By phone: Kyle Halvorson & Joe Miller. Absent: Mike Lorton. Others present: Marcus Lewis, Derek Pokrzywinski and Joe Fietek.

Additions and Changes to Agenda: Add to New Business #2 Approve NMPA Director & Alternative & #3 Toews Farm Lease. Add to Mayor's Comments Public Library.

Comments and Questions From Citizens: Joe Fietek questioned if the additional raise given to the Public Works employees was taken back when the comp hours were brought back. Halvorson explained the amount of the raise was scaled back rather than based on the comp time. Fietek questioned using City funds for donations the City has made to the daycare, after prom party and other events. Mayor Stenvold explained the funds are taken from the Municipal Utility fund, not the General Fund, and he feels the City should give back for events Fietek mentioned along with school events like the state tournaments the students participate in. Fietek questioned the health care premiums the City pays. Stenvold mentioned it would be covered later in the agenda.

Marcus Lewis from First Care Health Center announced the hospital received a \$319,000 grant from the Leona Helmsley Foundation which will be used to update the x-ray department. Lewis mentioned the hospital used a portion of their 1% sales tax funds to purchase 16 new beds for the hospital. Lewis stated they will be holding their Kid's Safety Funday again this year. He asked if 5th St E from Briggs Ave S east to the alley could be closed along with the alley. This event will include the WC Sheriff's Dept, PR Ambulance and PR Fire Dept. Lundquist moved and Anderson seconded to have PWD Larson work with Lewis on street closures for Kid's Safety Funday. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. M/C.

Approval of Minutes: Lundquist moved, and Anderson seconded to accept the minutes from the March 11, 2019 regular meeting as presented. Upon roll call vote, all present voted aye. M/C.

Unfinished Business: PWD Larson reported he checked on water and electrical meters with the City of Warren and said they are about \$350,000 to \$400,000. Some cities install the meters in their spare time and it could take up to 4 years. Miller asked if there is any salvage in the old meters. Larson said the brass in the water meters could be salvaged but there is nothing in the electric meters. Lundquist would like Larson to do more checking and get estimates with and without labor to install the meters. Miller mentioned checking into the meters that can tie in with fiber. Money would come out of the water funds to pay for the meters.

Thompson asked the Council if they would be available to attend a meeting with Dakota Dynamics to go over the survey. The dates available are Wednesday, April 24th at 6:00 PM or Thursday, May 2nd at 6:00 PM. The meeting is set for Wednesday, April 24th at 6:00 PM.

Committee Reports: *Ward Reports:* Nothing to report.

Sales Tax Recommendation: Lundquist moved and Kubat seconded to approve from Capital Improvements \$18,964.23 to St Improve Dist #7 for the City's share of the loan payment. Upon roll call vote, all present voted aye. M/C. This is the last payment on the special assessment.

New Business:

Thompson and Berg reported they along with Councilman Anderson and Patty Hensel of Consolidated Waste met with the BC/BS representative and were notified the premiums for the health insurance will increase 16.8%. Currently the City is on a "grandfathered" plan which means the City can keep their current plan as long as the contribution percent stay the same; 100% of a single plan, 92% of a single + dependent, and 65% of a family plan. The monthly premium for a family plan will increase from \$1,381.00 to \$1,612.50, the single + dependent from \$935.00 to \$1,092.10 and the single plan premium will increase from \$531.00 to \$620.20. Lundquist moved to keep the plan as is and raise the cap on the City's contribution toward the health insurance premium from \$897.65 to \$1,040.13 per month for a family plan, from \$860.20 to \$1,004.73 on a single + dependent and from \$531.00 to \$620.20 for a single plan to keep within the base established in 2009 which would keep the City's grandfathered status in effect. Anderson seconded, and upon roll call vote, all voted aye. M/C.

Lundquist introduced the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Park River is a member of the Northern Municipal Power Agency for the purpose of purchasing power to meet electricity needs for the City of Park River.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that Dennis Larson is hereby appointed to represent the City of Park River on the Board of Directors of NMPA through April 30, 2020 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Dan Stenvold is appointed as the City of Park River's representative on the Advisory Council of NMPA through April 30, 2020.

Kubat seconded the foregoing Resolution and upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Lee Toews of Larry Toews Farm LLP would like to renew the farm lease on the lagoon land for another three years for \$2,505.00 per year. Lundquist moved and Kubat seconded to renew the farm land lease for an additional three years at \$2,505.00 per year. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. M/C.

Mayor's Comments: Mayor Stenvold appointed Becky Chyle to the Special Assessment Commission. Halvorson moved and Lundquist seconded to approve the appointment of Chyle to the Special Assessment Commission. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. M/C.

The Public Library Board met and discussed breaking out the costs as requested by Superintendent Kirk Ham of the PR Area School Dist #8. Ham would like to break out costs for all the expenses incurred for the Public Library. Stenvold said Thompson, Berg and himself will meet and discuss expenses.

Public Works: Larson informed the Council that Spring clean-up will start on Tuesday, May 14th. Residential electric customers are asked to call the water plant at **284-6399** before 4:00 PM, Monday, May 13th to sign-up for pick-up.

Larson Reported Jasper Schneider is the new general manger of NMPA. He comes with a lot of experience in utilities.

Miller asked if Larson would see if the county or state are doing any paving in the area and see if the bike path could be chip sealed.

Larson mentioned the Coyote plant is down for an overhaul and found an additional \$2.5 million in additional repairs will need to be done.

Auditor & Assessor Reports:

Lundquist moved and Kubat seconded to approve payment of the following bills. Upon roll call vote, all present voted aye. M/C.

General Fund & Municipal Utilities:

35660	Postmaster	\$289.10
61	Aflac	\$151.98
62	Discovery Benefits	\$135.00
63	2016 Electrical Upgrade	\$8,000.00
64	AmeriPride Services, Inc	\$281.41
65	Banyon Data Systems, Inc	\$795.00
66	Ann E Berg	\$311.77
67	Border States Electric Supply	\$634.81
68	Cardmember Service	\$81.42
69	City of Fargo	\$28.00
35670	Productivity Plus Account	\$538.17
71	Consolidated Waste, LTD.	\$18,125.45
72	Dale's Small Engine Repair LLC	\$130.00
73	Discovery Benefits, Inc	\$11.00
74	Funded Depreciation	\$3,751.00
75	General Funded Depreciation	\$1,667.00
76	Hach Company	\$230.49
77	Hawkins Inc	\$1,654.86
78	Jim's Super Valu	\$54.73
79	Pete Kelly	\$2,300.00
35680	Kringstad Ironworks INC	\$476.82
81	Leon's Building Center, Inc	\$5,595.37
82	Liberty Business Systems, Inc	\$27.86
83	Light & Water Dept	\$4,729.74
84	Lon's Hardware	\$112.44
85	Montana Dakota Utilities	\$762.86
86	Municipal Government Academy	\$340.00
87	ND One Call Inc.	\$15.35
88	Tanner Nelson	\$55.37
89	Nodak Electric Cooperative	\$5,500.00
35690	Northdale Oil, Inc	\$1,455.09
91	North Star Coop	\$1,566.25
92	Polar Communications	\$944.33
93	420-Praxair Distribution Inc	\$194.95
94	Best Western + Ramkota Hotel	\$338.40
95	Glenn Rost	\$250.00
96	Safe T Pull	\$300.00
97	Sillers, Laaveg, & Wenzel	\$825.00
98	Sterling Carpet One	\$375.99
99	T&R Electric Supply Co. Inc	\$16,500.00
35700	Team Laboratory Chemical Corp	\$2,904.50
1	Nancy Thompson	\$70.86
2	US Bank Equipment Finance	\$166.13
3	Verizon Wireless	\$448.89
4	Wat & Sew Imprv Dist #2015-1	\$6,200.00
5	Wat & Sew Imprv Dist #2016-1	\$9,490.00
6	Water System Repair & Replace	\$4,000.00
7	Water Bond Fund 05	\$4,830.00
8	Water Rev Bond Fund Phase II	\$3,450.00
9	Water Tower Fund	\$11,315.00
35710	Water Treatment Fund	\$34,644.64
11	Walsh County Auditor	\$4,137.37
12	Walsh County Press	\$488.41
13	Tanya Wieler	\$2,500.00
14	WSI	\$23.69

15	Ye Olde Medicine Center	\$22.31
8519-37	Salaries	\$26,598.15
AW	US Treasury	\$8,613.50
AW	BC/BS of North Dakota	\$79.78
AW	NDPERS	\$0.18
AW	NDPERS	\$16.99
AW	NDPERS	\$761.00
AW	NDPERS	\$5,400.08
AW	NDPERS	\$761.00
AW	PSN (Payment Services Network)	\$4.95
AW	NMPA	\$147,233.45
AW	BC/BS of North Dakota	\$8,212.00
AW	First United Bank-ACH Chg	\$19.00
Special Fund:		
10135	ST Improvement Dist #7	\$18,964.23
Debt Service & Bond Fund:		
6169	ND Public Finance	\$18,964.23
6170	Bank of North Dakota	\$19,501.04
6171	First United Bank	\$241,478.69
6172	US Bank	\$81,228.75

Kubat moved and Anderson seconded to approve the financial reports. Upon roll call vote, all present voted aye. M/C.

Being no further business, Anderson moved to adjourned at 6:30 PM.

ATTEST:

Ann Berg, Assessor/Deputy Auditor

Dan Stenvold, Mayor