

BERESFORD CITY COUNCIL

Monday, March 15, 2021

The Beresford City Council met in regular session in City Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mayor Nathan Anderson presiding, Troy Boone, Gerald Dahlin, Troy Doeden, Art Schott, Teresa Sveeggen, Mike Tiedeman

Also Present: Elaine Johnson, Finance Officer; Tom Frieberg, City Attorney.

Absent: Jerry Zeimetz, City Administrator

Adopt Agenda: A motion to adopt the agenda as amended was made by Doeden and seconded by Sveeggen. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

Approve Minutes: A motion to approve the March 1, 2021 meeting minutes was made by Tiedeman and seconded by Dahlin. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

Visitors

Beresford Area Radio Flyers: Brad Jensen, representing the Beresford Area Radio Flyers, provided information about the organization and explained their request to increase their current flying field size by approximately 2¼ acres due to the addition of new power lines. Council is not opposed to this but requested City Administrator Zeimetz and City Attorney Frieberg to review the contract with the person renting the land adjacent to the proposed area.

Community Chip Sealing Opportunity: Street/Water/Sewer Superintendent Heidebrecht and Brosz Engineering representatives Heidi Austin and Blake Harms were present to explain a proposal for community chip sealing. Following the presentation and discussion, it was decided the Public Works Committee and Zeimetz will meet to discuss the proposal and report back at the April 5 meeting.

Public Hearings

Local Board of Equalization: Council recessed at 7:30 p.m. to meet as the 2021 Board of Equalization. Union County had three appeals (no appeals for Lincoln County). At 8:35 p.m. Council reconvened in regular session.

Committee/Mayor Reports

Beresford Volunteer Fire Department: A handout from Fire Chief Mullinix regarding an upgrade to the radio system was briefly discussed.

Electric Department Update: Finance Officer Johnson read a statement from Electric Dept. Supt. Mike Antonson regarding the power outage on March 15, 2021. Council thanked the Electric Dept. for their efforts to restore power during the storm.

Department Head and City Administrator Reports

Austin Hansen – BMTc: Hansen submitted a proposal to hire Todd Hansen as a part-time consultant to provide assistance to BMTc on an as-needed basis. A motion was made by Schott, seconded by Dahlin, to hire Todd Hansen at \$65.00/hour (maximum of \$10,000) and issue him a cell phone and provide internet service at no charge. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

Elaine Johnson – Finance Officer

- **February Financial Report:** Johnson highlighted atypical revenue and expenditures for the month of February. A motion to accept the February financials was made by Schott and seconded by Sveeggen. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried. Hansen also informed Council about a grant that was submitted that would help pay for the Fiber-to-the-Home project, if approved.
- **Update on Hourly Wage:** Due to an error in the Union book, the wage set for Tony Laurvick at the March 1, 2021 meeting was incorrect. A motion was made by Doeden to change Tony Laurvick's wage from \$26.67/hour to \$27.06/hour, effective March 8, 2021. The motion was seconded by Tiedeman and all present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

Old Business: After meeting with Lou Gerstman recently, Councilman Schott provided an update on the proposed dog park and a possible location and estimated cost. No action taken.

New Business

Change Order #1: A motion was made by Doeden, seconded by Dahlin, to approve Change Order #1 at no additional cost with IES Commercial, Inc. for the 115 kV transmission line construction. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

Pay Request #5: A motion to approve Pay Request #5 for \$122,483.25 to IES Commercial, Inc. for the 115 kV transmission line construction project was made by Schott and seconded by Doeden. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

Golf Course/Parks Hires: A motion was made by Schott, seconded by Dahlin, to hire Hayden Wilson at \$9.95/hour, Isaiah Richards at \$9.70/hour, Ashton Tjaden at \$9.95/hour and Cody Klungseth at \$9.70/hour for part-time help at the Bridges Golf Course. All present Council Members voted aye; motion carried.

Discussion & Information Items:

Rubble Site: Schott made a motion to offer free dumping at the rubble site for the month of April (excluding tires and appliances). The motion was seconded by Sveeggen and all present Council members voted aye; motion carried. Rubble site hours will switch to summer hours on April 1, 2021.

Payment of Bills: A motion to approve payment of the following bills was made by Doeden and seconded by Dahlin. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

Adtran, maint. contract, \$375.00; Alliance Comm. Corp., toll settlement, \$406.84; Appeara, service, \$1004.26; Azar Comp. Software, digital service center, \$250.00; Baker & Taylor, books, \$325.48; Banner Assoc., service, \$2721.10; Beal Dist., beer, \$2056.10; Big 10, affiliate fees, \$142.20; Blooston & Mordkofsky, legal fees, \$407.25; Border States Elec., station repair, \$2501.66; Cengage Learning, book, \$24.69; CDW Gov't, resale, \$374.05; CenturyLink, 911 circuit, \$100.54; Chesterman, supplies, \$174.00; CHS, fuel, \$1480.07; SF Public Works, tipping fees, \$3341.47; Continental Res. Corp., repair, \$2543.70

DAD's Auto Repair, headlight, \$202.54; Dakota Beverage, beer, \$1757.80; Dakota Data Shred, service, \$128.40; Dell Marketing, laptop, \$1248.00; Eastway Auto, service, \$43.94; ECHO Group, station repair, \$673.98; Express Comm., toll settlement, \$2899.26; FedEx, service, \$15.77; Fiesta Foods, resale, \$70.21; First Choice Recycling, electronic recycling, \$275.00; Fox Sports, affiliate fees, \$3479.80; Tucker Foxhoven, parts, \$7.90; Frantzen Reporting, transcription fee, \$44.00; Frieberg, Nelson & Ask, city attorney, \$3217.50; GT Golf Supplies, golf merch., \$569.13; Heggies Pizza, resale, \$123.10;

IES Comm., east substation, \$122,483.25; Interstate TRS Fund, TRS fund, \$450.63; Jack's Uniforms/Equip., equipment, \$1674.25; Jet Truck Plaza, fuel, \$279.46; Johnson Bros. Famous Brands, liquor, \$1480.93; Koth Electric, service, \$459.18; KTTW Fox 7, affiliate fees, \$27.30; Lawrenson Surveying, survey, \$650.00; Lewis & Clark RWS, water, \$18,047.14; Lumen, toll settlement, \$64.17; Mid America Comp. Corp., billing fee, \$2609.52; Midwest Alarm, alarm monitoring, \$132.00; Midwest Tape, DVDs, \$66.71; Midwest Turf & Irrigation, repair/maint., \$518.57; Muller Auto Parts, repair, \$753.03;

NY Life, insurance, \$108.00; Nexstar Broadcasting, affiliate fees, \$3366.80; Northern Plains Lumber, operating supplies, \$111.55; Olson's Ace Hardware, supplies, \$1319.95; Olson's Pest Tech., service, \$170.00; Overdrive, annual fee, \$1100.00; Patriot Comm., FTTH, \$34,796.00; Pedersen Machine, supplies, \$149.98; Pitney Bowes, postage, \$3030.00; Power & Tel, transmission equipment, \$558.33; Printing Plus, envelopes, \$1022.00; PureAg Ventures, chemicals, \$2279.00; RDO Equip., parts, \$637.91; Republic Nat'l Dist., liquor, \$1228.22; Roo's Sanitation, disposal serv., \$4800.00; SD Ret. System, fee, \$45.00

SD State Treasurer, telecom. relay service, \$89.15; SDN Comm., internet access, \$2259.67; Shegrud Backhoe, service, \$290.70; Showtime Networks, affiliate fees, \$68.40; Southern Glazer's, liquor, \$571.70; Sturdevant's Auto Parts, supplies, \$156.18; The Fillin' Station, tires, \$56.00; The Penworthy Co., books, \$646.14; Thermo King, parts, \$109.36; Toast, CC fees, \$210.68 & subscription, \$110.50; Total Stop Conv. Store, fuel, \$1883.70; UPS, shipping fees, \$165.00; US Foods, food, \$1593.22; USAC, school & libraries, \$2703.35; Vast Broadband, service, \$53.31; Vermeer High Plains, parts, \$261.68;

Walt's Homestyle Foods, resale, \$126.00; Washington Nat'l Ins., insurance, \$113.95; WESCO Dist., meters, \$5358.00; Wholesale Supply Co., supplies, \$215.15.

Adjournment: As there was no further business, Mayor Anderson adjourned the meeting at 9:06 p.m.

Elaine Johnson, Finance Officer
Recorded by Kathy Stuessi