Minutes

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

May 9, 2022

The minutes of the Froid Town Council at the Froid Community Center on May 9, 2022. Those in attendance at the time the meeting was called to order were Council Members Laurie Young, Gregg Labatte, and Tyler Harris. Also present was Mayor, Sheri Crain and Town Clerk, LeAnn Johnson. Council member Gale Strandlund joined the meeting at 6:57.

Mayor Crain called the meeting to order at 6:48 pm and recognized the guest present. Minutes from the March 7, 2022 meeting were read. Council member Laurie Young made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Tyler Young seconded the motion. Motion carried. There was no April 2022 Council meeting held.

Public Works Director Report: Odean was not present to give a public works report. Mayor Crain reported that Odean has been grading streets and started mowing today. He has also been working on removal of the dead trees north of the baseball field and moved the large “Froid” rock at the North entrance of town to a location where it can be better seen.

Roosevelt County Sheriff’s Report: There was no one present to report on behalf of the Roosevelt County Sheriff's Department. Sheri inquired about the details of the recent complaints of break-ins around Town. She will call the Sheriff’s Department to get an up-to-date report on any incidents.

Old Business:

ARPA Funds-Grant Assistance for Water/Sewer Project: LeAnn read a copy of an email she received of a conversation between Greg Lukasik of Great West Engineering and Alisha Oellerman of the Department of Commerce. The conversation was regarding the Town’s desire to utilize 20 hours of assistance from the Department of Commerce for preparing the application for the ARPA Minimum Allocation Grant. The work plan has been approved and ~~wok~~ work on the project can begin at any time. The project will consist of drawing up a map showing where the failed curb stops and valves are located as well as a description of the repairs needed within the collection system.

Public Works Director Position: Mayor Crain reported that she met with / interviewed Michael O’Toole for the Public Works Director position. She is recommending Council approval to hire him upon the retirement of Odean Kilsdonk. She has also visited with Lyle Lambert, who has agreed to help train Michael. Lyle will allow the Town to operate under his operator’s license until Michael is able to become certified. Council member Gregg Labatte made a motion to approved Mayor Crain’s recommendation to hire Michael O’Toole as Public Works Director. Tyler Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Community Center Interior Lighting/Nyquist Foundation Grant: Mayor Crain reported that the Town put in a request and was granted a $2,000 Nyquist Foundation Grant to switch the current lighting to LED lights inside the Community Center/Library/Firehall. The Town will match these funds through donations. The bulbs have been ordered and the Town will have Michael change them out.

Review of Water, Sewer, and Garbage Account Receivables: Council looked over delinquencies. Calls will be made and letters will be sent out to those on the list.

New Business:

Resolution 2022-1: Resolution Requesting Distribution of Bridge and Road Safety and Accountability Program Funds. Clerk LeAnn Johnson read aloud Resolution 2022-1 a Resolution Requesting Distribution of Bridge and Road Safety and Accountability Program Funds. Gregg Labatte made a motion to adopt the resolution as read. Gale Strandlund seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Garbage Services- Fuel Surcharge: Mayor Crain wanted to make Council aware that the Town may see a fuel surcharge added on for garbage services, as fuel prices increase. After discussion, Council agreed to table any discussion and wait to see what the Town hears from Bowker Sanitation.

Building Permits: There were no new building permits to present.

Review of Claims for Approval of Payment-April and May 2022: Mayor Crain asked Council to look over the claims for April and May. After review, Laurie Young made a motion for the clerk to remit payment on all April and May 2022 claims. Gale Strandlund seconded the motion. Motion carried.

With no further business, Mayor Crain adjourned the meeting at 8:14 pm. The next regular Council meeting will be June 13, 2022.

 Mayor: Clerk: