

KINDRED CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

4-6-2016

1. 7:00 MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Wanner called the meeting to order at 7:00pm with council members Spelhaug, Clarke, Johnson, and Amerman present. Also present were PWS Darin Laverdure, City Engineer Brandon Oye, City Attorney Sarah Wear, Deputy Rufat Agayev, and City Auditor Twila Morrison. Guests: Mark Erickson, Myles Girodat, Scott Bartram, Mark Ottis, Rodney Braaten

Mayor Wanner began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. APPROVE AGENDA

Additions to the agenda include Fire Department and museum.

MOTION, passed

Mr. Clarke moved and Mr. Spelhaug seconded to approve the amended agenda. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION, passed

Ms. Johnson moved and Mr. Amerman seconded to approve the minutes of 3-2-16. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

MOTION, passed

Mr. Spelhaug moved and Mr. Clarke seconded to approve the financials with additions. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

4. COUNCIL BUSINESS

a. Administration

Urban chickens – Mr. Amerman and Ms. Johnson have both received negative feedback about allowing chickens in town.

MOTION,

Ms. Johnson moved to keep the animal ordinance as is and not allow hens in the city. Discussion: Rodney Braaten liked the idea. It is a great learning tool for children to know where their food comes from. Hens are quiet. Mayor Wanner had mixed feelings; Mr. Clarke didn't have an opinion one way or the other. Mr. Spelhaug wanted to give it more thought. Motion died for a lack of a second.

Proclamation – Mayor Wanner announced that April 16th is “The Bankesters Day” and encouraged the community to see the concert.

Dakota Boys Ranch – They were able to negotiate a better interest rate and wanted approval from the City to make a modification to the agreement.

MOTION, passed

Mr. Amerman moved and Ms. Johnson seconded to approve the Resolution Approving a Bond and Loan Modification Agreement with the Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch Project. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Fire Dept. – The Fire Department is applying for a loan through the USDA to add on to the fire hall and they need community support.

MOTION, passed

Mr. Clarke moved and Mr. Spelhaug seconded to authorize the Mayor to sign the Certification of Significant Community Support for the Fire Department. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Museum – Don Rustad spoke with Ms. Morrison and Dean Andvik with the American Legion about the American Legion building. He said he will give the building to the city if we move it off his lot or it will be torn down. This building was first a school house north of town. Ms. Morrison said that with all the history attached to the building, it just can't be torn down. The council agreed and said we will start getting quotes. Mr. Clarke said he will be very involved in the process because the Legion will need to be cleaned out. They plan on giving Heros all the old durable medical equipment.

b. Pool

Mr. Amerman said he and Shad Stoddard are working on a gun raffle fundraiser. He asked if the City would advance the money to purchase the guns.

MOTION, passed

Mr. Clarke moved and Mr. Spelhaug seconded to approve the purchase of guns for the pool fundraiser. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

c. PWS

Mr. Laverdure said he and Mayor Wanner found a hoist for the shop. He will notify CCEC about his plans. He also has found a 2011 X739 JD mower with a 62" deck. He will sell the New Holland. The JD mower is \$5500 and the bagger system is \$1650.

MOTION, passed

Mr. Clarke moved and Mr. Spelhaug seconded to approve the purchase of the hoist and 2011 JD mower. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The street sweeper has a seal out on it. As soon as he gets it fixed he will finish sweeping the streets.

d. Engineering

Water tower- The State Water Commission approved 60% cost share for the water tower. It will go before the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District board on April 21. Mayor Wanner will attend the meeting. Mr. Oye said that any invoices he submits on this project don't have to be paid until the funding is in place. There are several reports, studies, and applications that are required that he will be working on.

Only 1 RFQ was submitted for this project – Moore Engineering. It was opened & reviewed.

MOTION, passed

Mr. Clarke moved and Mr. Spelhaug seconded to award Moore Engineering for engineering services on the water tower project. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

MOTION, passed

Mr. Spelhaug moved and Mr. Amerman seconded to approve the Letter Agreement for the water tower project. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

e. P&Z

Mr. Erickson said there was 1 building permit for \$300,000. They discussed a 50' driveway approach request from a new build. The council decided they can request a variance from the city. Mr. Erickson said they granted a rear setback variance to the fire department.

f. Police

Deputy Agayev presented the March calls for service: 6-animal calls; 2-gas drive offs; 2-welfare checks; 1-accident injury; 1-child exchange; 2-fraud. He wrote 8 citations. RDO reported vandalism. Hours spent in Kindred for January was 117; February was 141; March was 103 hours.

g. Assessor

The tax equalization meeting will be at our May meeting. Mr. Klein said to expect around an 8% increase in valuations.

h. Auditor

Ms. Morrison said that MLGC went from analog to digital on April 1st. Our community channel will no longer work unless we buy equipment at a cost of \$2000. The council did not want to buy the equipment.

Ms. Morrison said there is a grant training in Grand Forks on May 9-10 for \$425. She was given permission to attend.

Election petition deadline is 4pm on April 11th.

i. Council Report

Mr. Spelhaug said he attended the NDC in Bismarck and spoke with representatives of the congress/senate regarding support for funding our lagoon project through the USACE Section 594 grant. He will keep them up to date.

6. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION, passed

On a motion by Mr. Clarke and seconded by Ms. Johnson the meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm. On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Next regular meeting will be held on 5-4-16 at 7pm.

(Minutes subject to council approval.)
(Agenda deadline is noon Wednesday the week before the meeting.)