

City of Colfax
02/20/2017 Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Scott Gauslow at 7:00 P.M. Present were Council Members Tom Wulfekuhle, Jeff Olson, Neil Berseth and City Auditor Susan Bowman. Jody Lingen absent. Also in attendance was Kent Thoreson, Interstate Engineering; Resident Keefe Phelps; Nathan Berseth, Colfax Meadows Development.

Mayor Gauslow recognized Keefe Phelps, 203 Blaine St. He is researching putting up a fence on his property. Discussion held; any fence would need approval/permit from the City prior to installation. No further action at this time.

Kent Thoreson was recognized. He reported that the lagoon pre-construction meeting will be scheduled and he will notify the council of the date/time. After discussion and review, Tom Wulfekuhle made a motion, seconded by Neil Berseth to approve Resolution 2017-01 Resolution Providing for the issuance and sale of City of Colfax, North Dakota Wastewater Revenue Bonds, Series 2017A and related matters. Roll Call vote: Tom Wulfekuhle – yes, Neil Berseth, yes, Jeff Olson, yes, Jody Lingen absent. After review, Neil Berseth made a motion to accept the Construction Agreement, seconded by Jeff Olson. Roll Call vote: Tom Wulfekuhle – yes, Neil Berseth – yes, Jeff Olson – yes, Jody Lingen absent.

Nathan Berseth was recognized. Developer's Agreement and Engineers preliminary plat are being worked on. Mayor Gauslow and Jeff Olson will be a 2-man committee to help in completion of the agreement. Plans to have at the next council meeting for City to accept. Upon acceptance then bids can be had within 21 days, so the middle of April. Smith & Strege are the City Attorney's and will represent the City first as they currently represent both parties. Easements are being worked on by Nathan Berseth. The Lift Station will need to be a separate loan for the City and be paid for utilizing specials.

The minutes from the January 2017 meeting were reviewed. It was noted that the development to the North is Colfax Meadows and not Wild Rice Development; correction to names in minutes made. Jeff Olson made a motion, seconded by Tom Wulfekuhle to approve as amended above; motion carried.

The 2016 year-end final financial report was reviewed; Tom Wulfekuhle made a motion, seconded by Neil Berseth to approve the report; motion carried. The financial report for the month of January was reviewed; Neil Berseth made a motion, seconded by Jeff Olson to approve the report; motion carried.

The bills for the month of February were reviewed. Jeff Olson made a motion, seconded by Tom Wulfekuhle to approve the bills as presented; motion carried.

Old Business:

Water & sewer accounts – Donna Mae had requested that the water be shut off on her rental property; however, the City has been paid for the account so cannot shut off due to non-payment to Donna by renters. Mayor Gauslow contacted Kali Heyen who will issue a new check as the one received was torn in transit from the USPS. Mayor Gauslow will contact Denny Buccholz concerning the outstanding balance from the property he owns; City auditor will print off history.

Mayor Gauslow reported that he contacted the I29 Motor Sports developers and expressed the concerns of the City and residents.

City auditor reported on quotes for Umbrella Insurance; more information and quotes will be gotten for next meeting.

Tom Wulfekuhle reported that for special events at the school, the school will purchase the chemicals for vector control.

Tom Wulfekuhle reported that the "No Outlet" signs for Broadway St. S. have been purchased and are on hand for installation once weather permits.

New Business:

Continuing Ordinance book review will be on Wednesday, February 22, 2017 at 6:30 PM.

Jeff Olson brought up the repairs for Broadway St. S.; after discussion, City Auditor will work on getting a quote for the work from Comstock Construction.

Margaret Zenker drainage pipe needs to be repaired; Mayor Gauslow will coordinate.

There being no further business, Jeff Olson made a motion, seconded by Tom Wulfekuhle to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 P.M.