

City of Colfax
08/21/2017 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, Jody Lingen and City Auditor Susan Bowman. Also in attendance was Kent Thoreson, Interstate Engineering; Amy Clark, Smith & Strege; and Nathan Berseth, Colfax Meadows.

Mayor Gauslow recognized Amy Clark, Smith & Strege. Amy presented Resolution 2017-22 creating the Fund of Wastewater Treatment Improvement District No. 2017-01 Providing and Appropriating Special Assessments for the Support and Maintenance of Said Fund, and Authorizing the Issuance of an Improvement Bond Thereon. After discussion, Jeff Olson made a motion, seconded by Tom Wulfekuhle to approve Resolution 2017-22. Roll Call vote: Neil Berseth – yes, Tom Wulfekuhle – yes, Jody Lingen – yes, Jeff Olson – yes; Motion carried.

Amy Clark then presented the Improvement Bond Series 2017B Loan Agreement, Closing Certificate, and Certificate relating to Lobbying and Litigation for the second \$277,500 for signatures; loan was previously approved so Mayor Gauslow and Auditor Bowman signed agreement and certificates as required.

Auditor Bowman presented the Easements for signature by the Mayor; Amy Clark will insure they are recorded.

Tom Wulfekuhle made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-23 Appointing Mayor as agent authorized to act on the City's behalf for the Bank of North Dakota loan for the Sanitary Sewer, Water and Street Improvement District No. 2017-1. The loan will be a 30 year loan for the amount required to complete the Improvement District, inclusive of the lift station. It was noted that payments would be twice a year. After discussion, Neil Berseth seconded the motion to approve; roll call vote: Neil Berseth – yes, Tom Wulfekuhle – yes, Jody Lingen – yes, Jeff Olson – yes; motion carried.

Mayor Gauslow recognized Kent Thoreson, Interstate Engineering. Kent presented Pay Request #3 for the Wastewater Treatment Improvement District No. 2017-1 from Jensen Brothers Construction, Inc. They are approximately 83% complete. Neil Berseth made a motion to approve Pay Request #3, seconded by Jody Lingen; motion carried. Auditor will forward additional bills to be sent for the Bank of North Dakota Draw.

Kent Thoreson reported that JAV will begin stripping Colfax Meadows III next week.

The minutes from the July City Council meeting were reviewed. Neil Berseth made a motion, seconded by Tom Wulfekuhle to approve as presented; motion carried.

The financial report for the month of July was reviewed; Tom Wulfekuhle made a motion, seconded by Jeff Olson to approve the report; motion carried.

The bills for the month of Aug were reviewed. Tom Wulfekuhle to approve the bills as presented, seconded by Jody Lingen; motion carried.

Old Business:

Water & sewer accounts – Donna Mae is turned back on; they are working on getting the house ready to sell.

The siren is fully installed. It is auto controlled and the siren will be tested the first Wednesday of every month at 1 PM.

The Phelps property was inspected and has been cleaned up. There is only one car which is being worked on presently. On-going inspections to ensure unauthorized items don't begin to accumulate will be done.

The transfer of the baseball fields is in progress.

Mayor Gauslow attended the School Board meeting and told them the City would help out with the recycling project the students presented in the spring, but would not be responsible for it or its full cost.

Mayor Gauslow spoke with Craig Irwin concerning the City's insurance policies; he will provide a quote.

Auditor will forward Skyler & Sierra Schmidt's phone number so issues can be addressed concerning their property and the car stored on the North side of their garage.

The language agreement required by the USDA is signed by the Mayor and documents distributed to the council members and auditor. We only pay if the service is utilized.

New Business:

There was no new business at this time.

There being no further business, Tom Wulfekuhle made a motion, seconded by Neil Berseth to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M.