REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Larson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll showed Councilpersons Ketola, Lee, Peterson, Sandow and Unruh were present. DeGross was absent. Also present were CT Rosenow, Chief Darwin, Attorney Lindquist, Anna Mewis, Sara Hinz, Lynn McIntyre and Carlton DeWitt.

Peterson moved and Unruh seconded a motion to approve the agenda. Voice vote carried.

Sandow moved and Lee seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2021 Organizational/Regular Council meeting, the April 27, 2021, May 3, 2021 and May 10, 2021 Committee of the Whole meetings. Voice vote carried.

Lee moved and Unruh seconded a motion to approve disbursements. Roll call vote carried with all councilpersons present voting yes.

In Public Comments, Carlton DeWitt asked the council to consider putting in multi-family housing on the lots when the old school is demolished.

Unruh commented that the summer rec program has approximately 215 kids participating, \$3,000+ in the bank, they want to install batting cages between the fields at Hinman and Kevin Fry is working with Dave Caress to get the scoreboards installed.

Board member Anna Mewis gave the library report, saying things are moving along with the library and they should have new hires for the director and part time assistant in place by July.

There was no Public Works report.

A written Police report was submitted and Chief Darwin reported the department has been spending a lot of time learning the new records system and that there have been some gaps in coverage due to Sergeant Malean taking some online training and teaching the CounterAct program at school.

In the Clerk-Treasurer report, Rosenow updated the council that proposals for the Architect & Engineer contract for the safe room at the fairgrounds have been submitted and the next step will be to interview to choose a firm to move forward with that project.

In the Mayor's report, Larson stated he will be making contact with a couple potential new library board members to replace outgoing members in hopes of appointing them at the June meeting.

In Old Business, Sara Hinz informed the council that the contract with Albrightson Excavating has been signed for the old school demo and a pre-construction meeting will happen in the next week.

In New Business, two sealed bids for the antenna and mounting pole at the community center were opened. Bryan Cress submitted the winning bid for \$177.50. Peterson moved and Unruh seconded a motion to accept the bid. Voice vote carried.

Sara Hinz of Cedar Corp presented the bids for the new municipal building project with Derrick Building Solutions having the lowest base bid of \$2,349,000. Sandow moved and Peterson seconded a motion to award the base bid to Derrick Building Solutions but not to accept either alternate bid. Roll call vote showed all councilpersons present voting yes. Motion carried.

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Lee moved and Ketola seconded a motion to approve an update to the 2021 fee schedule. Voice vote carried.

Unruh moved and Peterson seconded a motion to approve changes to the hours worked section of the personnel policy. Voice vote carried.

After much discussion regarding the proposed ordinance change to allow chickens in residential areas, no decision was made and the Mayor put the matter into the Public Safety committee for more discussion and a recommendation at the June council meeting.

Sandow explained to the council that he had been approached to present a request to have the city council pass a resolution and ordinance declaring the City as a Second Amendment Sanctuary. Discussion centered on the need to pass the resolution or ordinance and what measures are being done at the County and State level regarding the topic and the specific wording in the documents. Peterson moved and Sandow seconded a motion to proceed with the resolution and ordinance. Roll call vote showed councilpersons Sandow and Unruh voting yes, Ketola, Lee and Peterson voting no. Motion failed.

Peterson moved and Unruh seconded a motion to adjourn. Voice vote carried.

Respectfully submitted, Shari Rosenow Clerk-Treasurer