

City Council Meeting
June 8, 2020

The regular Riverdale City Council meeting of June 8, 2020 was called to order at 6:00 PM by President Orth.

Present: Jerry Orth, Garth Zimbelman, Dick Cheatley, Jonna Taylor and Auditor Del Kolke

Absent: Ken Skuza

Taylor moved to approve the May 4, 2020 regular meeting minutes and special meeting minutes of May 29, 2020. Cheatley seconded. Motion carried.

Taylor moved to approve the bills. Zimbelman seconded. Motion carried.

Cheatley moved to approve the agenda. Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

Guests:

Cheatley moved to grant permission for the McLean-Mercer Regional Library to design, paint and maintain an obstacle course around Plaza Building No. 1. Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

Cheatley moved to approve Riverdale Water Tower Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$6,593 for replacing additional lead water mains. Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

Cheatley moved to approve Maguire Iron Pay Estimate No. 8 for \$204,172.67. Zimbelman seconded. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

Wayne Munson of Morning Star Campground asked for further clarification on the proposed camper pads and expressed opposition to them being gravel. No projects will be pursued at this time due to the lack of available contractors and the upcoming opening date.

Terry Morast, campground manager, suggested expansion of the campground rather than performing suggested improvements.

Cheatley expressed concern regarding water usage at the campground and throughout the system served as filtration membranes are deteriorating.

New Business:

Cheatley moved to set city auditor bond at \$750,000 as required by NDCC 40-13-02. Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

Cheatley moved to approve the 2021 Police Service Contract with the McLean Co. Sheriff's Dept. at an annual cost of \$29,232.72. Taylor seconded. Roll Call: Zimbelman nay, Cheatley aye, Taylor aye. Motion carried.

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Cheatley moved to replace engine on John Deere Z930 mower for \$3,626.72 which includes cost of labor. Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

Taylor moved to reopen city buildings immediately. Groups using the Coffee House will be required to disinfect before and after use and should practice social distancing. Auditor will schedule events to allow adequate time between uses to minimize possible virus spread. Cheatley seconded. Motion carried.

Reports:

Organizational meeting of the city council will be held Tuesday, June 23 at 6:00 PM to install newly elected officials and address any necessary business items.

Cheatley moved to suspend or eliminate Verizon cell phone service plan for two (2) maintenance employees. Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

Orth will obtain quotes, with assistance from AJ Tuck, for rebuilding a portion of 6th Street. The back hoe required a water pump to be replaced at the cost of \$900. Bobby Harrill has been hired to monitor the landfill and Keith Orth for lawn mowing.

Zimbelman received a request of electrical outages that occurred in May 2020 from Lee Bertsch. Written documentation will be provided. Beginning June 1, an outage log will be kept by Zimbelman.

Cheatley reported a chlorine pump failed and was replaced. Water tower project is on schedule and water may need to be shut down for a period of time when service to the new tower is switched over.

Taylor indicated the campground is ready for occupancy. Maintenance still needs to install one-way signs. Discussion ensued regarding the stress on our electrical system by allowing campers to leave air conditioning units on during extended absence. Further information will be gathered.

Next meeting will be held Monday, July 13 at 6:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

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Executive Officer: _____
President

Attest: _____
Auditor