

City Council Meeting  
June 24, 2014

Present: Mayor Rose Hanser, Councilpersons John Williams, Tom Jankowski, Greg Koczur and Lawretta Miller

Also Present: City Clerk/Treasurer Michelle Richards, Police Chief Cory Hert, Public Works Director Bryan Swan, and Building/Planning Official Jan Morgan

Mayor Hanser called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Clerk/Treasurer Richards called the Roll Call.

**Consent Agenda:**

Councilperson Jankowski moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilperson Koczur seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried with all in favor.

- a. Minutes of 6/10/14 Regular Meeting
- b. Claims Roster 6/20/14
- c. May Financial Report
- d. Journal Voucher 2014-03

**Departmental Reports:**

Reports were given by Police Chief Hert, Building/Planning Official Morgan, Public Works Director Swan and City Clerk/Treasurer Richards.

**Mayor's Communications:**

Mayor Hanser reported the Coal Board Meeting last week went well. Along with the Mayor, Jim Atchison of SEMDC, engineers from Kadmas, Lee and Jackson, and Public Works Director Swan attended the meeting and participated in the presentation of the grant application for Wastewater Facilities Improvements. The Coal Board approved a motion to table the grant request until funding is available.

**Public Comment and Participation:** None received.

**Unfinished Business:** None.

**New Business:**

Councilperson Koczur made a motion to add repair of the city's backhoe to the meeting agenda. Councilperson Miller seconded the motion. No discussion or public comment received. Motion carried with all in favor.

Councilperson Jankowski moved to approve the Special Events Permit for the Colstrip Days Celebration on June 27-29, 2014. Councilperson Koczur seconded the motion. Discussion: Mayor Hanser reported that the Colstrip Days Organizing Committee and Quality of Life Corporation have added the City of Colstrip as an additional insured onto their insurance policies for this event. No public comment received. Motion carried with all in favor.

Councilperson Jankowski moved to approve Special Events Permits for John Bleth, Phillip and Phyllis Lewis and Tom and Rose Hanser to use fireworks during Colstrip Days. Councilperson Koczur seconded the motion. No discussion or public comment received. Motion carried with all in favor.

Councilperson Koczur moved to approve discussing the Purchasing Policy. Councilperson Miller seconded. Discussion: Councilperson Miller doesn't have any objections to Mayor Hanser's proposal to raise the limits on the purchasing policy. Councilperson Williams recommends that the purchasing policy be consistent for all departments and not have a separate policy for the Public Works Department. A resolution will be prepared for the next council meeting. No public comment received. Motion carried with all in favor.

Councilperson Williams moved to proceed with repair of the city's backhoe by RDO Equipment in the amount of \$20,000.00. Councilperson Miller seconded the motion. No discussion or public comment received. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Administrative Matters:**

Councilperson Koczur would like to review city policies that have not been looked at recently, such as the Drug & Alcohol Testing Policy, and have it on the next agenda. Councilperson Jankowski asked if it would be more appropriate to have the Personnel Committee review the policy since that is one of their duties.

Councilperson Williams would like to review the city's policy of charging the water and sewer service base rates even though services are disconnected. He wonders if a lower rate could be charged instead of the full base rates. Councilperson Koczur agreed and would like to review it.

**Adjournment:**

Councilperson Jankowski moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilperson Koczur seconded. Mayor Hanser adjourned the meeting at 7:42 pm.

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Michelle Richards, City Clerk/Treasurer