# City Council Meeting July 10, 2018

Present: Mayor John Williams and Councilpersons Lori Shaw, Jolene Verlanic, Greg

Koczur and Mike Esser

Also Present: Fire Chief Rob Pontus, Planning/Zoning/Code Official Kami Egan, City

Clerk/Treasurer Michelle Richards, City Attorney Gary Ryder, Public Works

Director Bryan Swan and Police Chief Cory Hert

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. City Clerk/Treasurer Richards called the Roll Call.

## **Consent Agenda:**

Councilperson Koczur moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilperson Verlanic seconded the motion. No discussion or public comment. Motion carried with all in favor.

- Minutes of 6/26/18 Regular Meeting
- Claims Roster 7/06/18
- Journal Voucher No. 2018-04

# **Departmental Reports:**

Reports were given by Police Chief Hert, Fire Chief Pontius, Planning/Zoning/Code Official Egan, Attorney Ryder, Public Works Director Swan and City Clerk/Treasurer Richards.

## **Mayor's Communications:**

A Budget Meeting will be held Monday morning at 11:00 am.

Mayor Williams has been invited to Montana State Day at the White House in Washington, DC next week. A group of Mayors and County Commissioners in Montana have been invited to meet with Vice President Pence, Congressman Greg Gianforte, Senator Steve Daines and Senator Jon Tester.

The City is still having issues with the contractor hired to complete the Wastewater Treatment Rehabilitation Project. Engineer Doug Whitney explained the issues and work that needs completed. These issues have been discussed with Attorney Ryder and they will work on a game plan. It is estimated the remaining work that needs to be done would take two weeks to complete.

## Public Comment: None.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

A preliminary valuation has been done by Kadrmas, Lee and Jackson of the optional site location on Main Street for the Zone 3 Water Storage Tank. Mayor Williams has asked Talen Energy if the property is available and, if available, what the purchase price would be. Tom Riley will be in Colstrip tomorrow morning and will meet with Attorney Ryder and Public Works Director Bryan Swan.

## **New Business:**

Councilperson Verlanic moved to approve the changes to the Police Department Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement. Councilperson Esser seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

Public Comment: None received. Motion carried with all in favor.

Councilperson Verlanic moved to approve the changes to the City Employee Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement. Councilperson Koczur seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

Public Comment: None received. Motion carried with all in favor.

Councilperson Koczur moved to approve the following non-union compensation increases:

Public Works Director, City Clerk Treasurer, City Judge,

Police Chief, Fire Chief & Assistant Fire Chief 3.1%

Temporary Public Works Employees \$.35 per hour

Assistance Police Chief 4%

Councilperson Esser seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

Public Comment: None received. Motion carried with all in favor.

Councilperson Verlanic moved to approve Engineering Task Order No. 24 for Chip Sealing in the amount of \$42,870.00. Councilperson Shaw seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

Public Comment: Pat Campbell, 4417 Remington Drive, stated section two of the task order specifies asphalt crack sealing but he thought this was supposed to be for chip-sealing only. He asked if the City will be bidding them separating. Public Works Director Swan responded the task order is for both chip-sealing and crack-sealing and they will not bid them separately so the city will hopefully get a better price by bidding them together. Mr. Campbell does not agree. Mr. Campbell asked about the Sweetgrass Acreage Tracts. Mr. Swan explained this agreement includes Pine Butte Drive, a short section of Sweetgrass Drive and a short section of Prairieview Drive. Mr. Campbell has heard there is a petition for asphalt for the streets in the Sweetgrass Acreage Tracts. He would really appreciate a little bit of asphalt put in the holes up there.

Motion carried with all in favor.

Councilperson Shaw moved to approve purchase of culverts from Big Sky Steel in the amount of \$15,569.60 to replace culverts at the west end of Chisholm Drive. Councilperson Verlanic seconded the motion.

Discussion: Councilperson Esser asked if all three would need to be replaced and if all three are necessary or would two be sufficient. Public Works Director Swan feels all three are necessary and need replaced.

Public Comment: None received. Motion carried with all in favor.

# **Administrative Matters:**

Councilperson Koczur commented the walking/bike paths are nice and very professionally done.

# **Adjournment:**

Mayor Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:32 pm.

Michelle Richards, City Clerk/Treasurer