Regular Meeting of Lake Preston City Council Monday June 10th, 2024

A regular meeting of the Lake Preston City Council was held at the City Hall on Monday June 10th, 2024 at 7pm. Present were: Mayor Andy Wienk, John McMasters, Donna Bumann, Jodi Hope, Joel Gerleman, Austin Strande, Rick Olson. Also, present Brenda Klug, Brian Zeeck, David Fields from the Kingsbury Journal, Cedric Hay from Banner Associates, Luke Smith, Allen Wilde, Joe Schnell, Linda Iverson, Reid McDaniels.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Wienk at 7:01 pm.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by Hope to approve the agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

Linda Iverson voiced her concern with overnight parking on 4th St., getting signs put in place. The new townhomes along 4th St., have some obnoxious weeds growing. Iverson had gotten a mixture of timelines from the owner, as to when they were going to remedy the situation.

Cedric Hay stated that Banner had prepared a substantial completion certificate for Halme. There are still some punch list items for Halme to complete. Motion by Gerleman, seconded by Bumann to approve Halmes substantial completion certificate. All in favor, motion carried.

Hay presented Rounds Pay request #10. Motion by McMasters, seconded by Jodi to approve Rounds pay request #10 for \$330,065.24. Olson abstained. All in favor, motion carried.

Hay discussed the street project on 2nd Street and 5thStreet. The state has allowed us to put a change order of the work into the Phase 2A project as non eligible costs. This helps with them keeping their original costs from Phase 2A bidding. Hay presented pay request #3 for the water tower. Motion by Hope, seconded by Gerleman to approve pay request #3 from Maguire for \$101,928.60. All in favor, motion carried.

Hay discussed change order #2 for the Water tower project. Motion by Bumann, seconded by Strande to approve change order #2 for Maguire. All in favor, motion carried.

Phase 2B was briefly discussed, currently they are in the planning stages- storm drain on Fremont Ave S was discussed. Hay explained the 100- and 5-year rain event, how they evaluate it. Wienk inquired about drainage on Minden and 4th N, Halme's plan is to come in and regrade the area. Put in an area inlet off the edge of the road, creating another drainage swale. Joe Schnell, Allen Wilde, Zeeck, and Hay discussed a few separate properties, drainage issues and asphalt lip issues. Hay stated that Halme would be back to get the asphalt lips leveled out with gravel, everywhere that they put the top mat on has the lip.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Bumann to approve May 6th old regular meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by Hope to approve May 6th new regular meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

Bumann stated that the personnel committee had met with the pool staff before opening for the year.

Zeeck stated that he had a note from Doug Bumann, council needs a plan to set some money aside for pool repairs. Council had a brief discussion about the poor floor with Zeeck. Zeeck stated that this is the year for lead and copper testing, he plans to use all the same residents as he did in 2022. The museum concrete is finished-as well as the gutters above the front doors. He is still waiting to hear from Blackburn to get some ideas to help with the water issues at the museum. Pickle ball court equipment has come in. This year they have used double the chemicals for bug spraying. Zeeck stated that Ryne our summer helper is doing a great job. A few new larger trees were planted in the park, Bob Bode volunteered his time to help.

Klug stated that she will be gone this coming week, Marla will be at the office. Klug applied for the West Nile Grant through the state, she did try for \$16,000 due to the new sprayer. Plans to hit the Fall and new year funding for the band stand in the park-Deadwood Grant. The first 20 sponsorship signs at the baseball field are ready to be put up, whenever the guys get time. Klug inquired about a resident utilizing the city campground for a weekend-parked and plugged in without paying. Residents mowing out into the street and pulling weeds and throwing them out into the street were discussed. The rate study was briefly discussed, a formal explanation will be at the July meeting hopefully. So far, her findings were good.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by McMasters to approve the following claims as presented: All in favor, motion carried.

A & B Business \$73.00, printer contract; Amazon \$227.23, library supplies; Avera Health Plan \$635.01, health ins.; Avid Hawk \$98.00, website fee; Banner Ass. \$12,912.30, phase 2A; Bender Sewer & Drain LLC \$1,673.00, sewer outside service; Bode Const. \$6,377.56, water repair/paving/museum; CCP Industries \$125.54, paper towels; Cemetery Board \$3,500.00, 2024 dues; Cooks Wastepaper \$4,708.86, city trash/city dumpster; DANR \$260.00, facility fees; DOR \$268.80, taxes; Diamond Vogel \$2,558.48, pool paint; FNB \$200.00, use water deposits; Foley & Foley Law Office \$772.50, June/additional services; GADO Designs \$264.00, baseball hats; Good Guys Garage \$425.00, slide window-dodge; Guideposts \$21.21, mag. sub.; Hawkins \$1,449.68, pool chemical; Henry Schein \$20.43, Amb. supplies; HGTV \$19.97, mag. sub.; Hydro Klean \$6,484.00, pool cleaning; Jesser's Greenhouse \$786.09, flowers-main/park; KE Dream Designs \$451.00, lifeguard/summer help t-shirts/shorts; Kingbrook Rural Water \$6,909.00, purchased water; Kingsbury Co. \$2,080.00, contract law; Kingsbury Journal \$65.00, subscription; Kramer Mechanical \$168.96, spring service; The Lake Preston Café \$31.10, election lunch; Lyle Signs, Inc. \$2,800.00, baseball field signs; Maynard's \$798.53, Gen Gov/FO/CR; McMasters Gravel \$1,442.88, gravel; Northwestern Energy \$725.93, natural gas; Okeefe Implement \$370.35, mowers; Office Peeps \$70.26, office supplies; SD One Call \$46.20, 811; Ottertail \$2,236.99, electric; Pioneer Research \$2,313.26, sewer/streets; Prairie Ag Partners \$1,930.63, city; Public Health Lab \$15.00, water testing; Rambow \$973.23, baseball jerseys; Readers Digest \$10.62, mag. sub.; Rykhus-Nelson \$824.49, museum/gen gov.; Scholastic \$84.43, books; Valley Fibercom \$213.71, phones/internet; Van Diest \$3,841.20, west nile; Adobe \$23.96, illustrator/baseball signs; Amazon \$672.94, park/pool/office; Execubanc \$66.20, bank fees; FNB Pool Cash \$115.00, pool cash; Henery Schein \$314.87, Amb supplies; US Bank \$18,289.39, phase 1 payment DW&CW; USPS \$169.60, water bills; Voiceshot \$20.00, messaging/texting.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Strande to approve Mays financial report. All in favor, motion carried.

Missy Olson was present to notarize both agreements.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Gerleman to approve the American Legions operating agreement. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bumann, seconded Olson to approve the LP Café operating agreement. McMasters abstained. All in favor, motion carried.

A building permit was reviewed.

Klug stated that Tim Austin plans to come to town this week to do a review of properties.

Motion by Gerleman, seconded by Hope to approve the second reading of ordinance 465-24. Roll call vote. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by Hope to approve the letter of understanding from 1st District. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Gerleman to approve the special event license for BBQ Beer & Friends on June 29th. All in favor, motion carried.

Campground usage rates were reviewed, \$15 a night. Each site can have 2 tents, or 1 camper, or 1 camper and 1 tent.

Council briefly discussed a cruise night on Main St. during Town & Country Days on the evening of July 20th.

Klug stated that she had 3 residents come in and question if a resident can be raising this certain breed of dog. After she reviewed the ordinances, it did not seem to state on you cannot bread this specific breed. Schnell added that the resident probably does not plan to breed them anymore. Schnell, Iverson, and council discussed the topic more in depth.

Motion by Gerleman, seconded by Bumann to purchase 4 shade sails from Lowes for the pool. All in favor, motion carried.

Klug stated that the summer softball coach had reached out to her about having a private pool party for the summer rec kids. In the past it has been done for the football team, after some input it was decided to charge the amount of wages for the 3 lifeguards. \$125. Luke Smith volunteered to sponsor the event from Aflac. Council also decided it would be best if it was a Sunday evening (when the pool is closed).

Council discussed the backroom roof in detail, Zeeck led council members out back to look at the roof. After looking at the old quote from last year, the project could be scaled back quite a bit. Klug checked the general government repair budget for the year. Although some items for the community room have not been purchased yet. Decided to get an updated quote with different phases to help with funding it.

Speed limit signs were discussed for the new townhouses area of town, all over the city the side streets are 20mph. A resident inquired about wanting a 15mph sign, after a long discussion it was decided to check with other cities. No overnight parking was discussed, signs will be ordered.

Bumann stated that it was nice to participate in city wide rummage and have nice streets to drive on. Hope inquired about the city utility bills being due on the 30th of the month instead of the 15th. The cement planters on Main St were questioned by a resident, wondering if they could be used and placed in the park. Hope inquired about the status of the canyon; Schnell stated that it should be ready in the next month. Olson inquired about Zeeck filling some holes in on Fremont Ave S. Schnell stated that the alley behind the Lutheran Church was horrible.

Wienk read his official resignation aloud, Klug presented a plaque for all his efforts. All his accomplishments form the last 8 years were read aloud.

Schnell stated that Bumann would make a great Mayor, her experience and involvement in the community. Discussion among the council members. Motion by Olson, seconded by Gerleman to nominate/appoint Bumann as the mayor to complete the 1 yr term. Strande nay. Motion carried. Bumann read her oath of office aloud.

Schnell stated that he would have interest in the empty seat for Ward II, years of experience. After a long discussion the council decided to table it to review other options. Motion by Gerleman, seconded by Strande to table the Ward II appointment. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Gerleman to go into executive at 9:08 pm for personnel.

Council came out of executive session at 9:45 pm.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Gerleman to hire Konner Nuzum as a 2024 lifeguard at \$13/hour, paying out ½ his certification in 2024-if he returns in 2025 other ½ will be paid out. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Hope, seconded by Gerleman to appoint Joe Schell to complete the 1 yr. council seat for Ward II. Strande Nay. Motion carried.

Mayor Donna Bumann declared the meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm.

Brenda Klug, Finance Officer Donna Bumann, Mayor

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