

CITY OF ENDERLIN
APRIL 4, 2022-MINUTES

The Enderlin City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Monday, April 4, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. in the City Auditors Office with Mayor Deon Maasjo presiding. Council Members present were- Kevin Bunn, Shelly Hanson, Kayl Hamre and Steven Friederichs. Duane Skramstad and Roger Maras were absent.

Others attending were- Ruth McCleerey, Tracy Eslinger, Jana Anderson, Gena Johnson, Craig Wendt, Randy Jawowski, Debbie Erickson, Tracy Ekeren, Sheriff Darren Benneweis, Winston Hennem, Kurt Tetzlaff, Fallon Kelly, Rick Gillund and Cyndee Chesley.
Telephonically-Mitch Calkins.

Hamre made a motion to adjourn last month's meeting, seconded by Hanson. All Council Members present voting aye, motion carried.

Bunn made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Friederichs. All Council Members present voting aye, motion carried. Friederichs made a motion approving the bills to be paid, seconded by Hamre. All Council Members present voting aye, motion carried. Bunn made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, seconded by Hanson. All Council Members present voting aye, motion carried. Bunn made a motion to approve the payroll paid in the amount of \$19,453.44 check numbers 41864-41869 & 41877-41893, seconded by Hamre. All Council Members present voting aye, motion carried.

MOORE ENGINEERING

Tracy Eslinger discussed with the Council the Sulfate issues with the Wastewater.

-STREET IMPROV. DIST. 2021-1

No action. Punch list items to be completed yet.

-WATER MAIN IMPROV. DIST. 2019-1

The handrail has be put in on the stairs over the dike and backfill needs to be completed.

LAKE AGASSIZ REGIONAL COUNCIL

Mitch Calkins attended the meeting telephonically to hold a Public Meeting to close out the CDBG grant of \$125,000.00 for the Water Main replacement. The grant dollars have all been expended out. Bunn made a motion to close out the grant and Public Meeting, seconded by Hamre. All Council Members present voting aye, motion carried.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS ADVOCATE

Tracy Ekeren submitted the changes to the Curb Appeal application for 2022. The removal of the incentive for completion before the All School Reunion last year was taken off. Hamre made a motion approving the undated Curb Appeal application, seconded by Friederichs. All Council Members present voting aye, motion carried. Ekeren updated the Council on the extension of the Renaissance Zone plan and the process for completion. Ekeren is hoping to get a community meeting set up in the next month for the City Auditorium project. She is also meeting with Otter Tail Power to look over the heating/cooling efficiency of the building and they may have some funding ideas. Ekeren had other information in her written report.

LIQUOR/BEER ORDINANCE

Craig Wendt, Owner and Gena Johnson, Manager of the Shop-n-Fuel explained to the Council that they are adding on and would like to sell Off-Sale Beer. The Council informed them that currently, as per the City Ordinance, there are no licenses available. The Ordinance would have to be amended to allow for another Off-Sale Beer license. After some discussion, Hamre made a motion to add one more Off-Sale Beer license, seconded by Friederichs. This would be a 1st reading. All Council Members present voting aye, motion carried.

POOL/POOL PROJECT

Craig Wendt, Valley Landscaping, explained to the Council that they we are first on the list and they are waiting for the frost to come out so they can do the grading/dirt work around the pool. They will keep the Council informed through the process.

RANSOM COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT.

Sheriff Benneweis submitted their Daily Activity report which includes the percentage of time in Enderlin. The Council reported that a motorcycle has been racing around town. Benneweis questioned if a person is watching a dog that is considered a dangerous dog for someone and they are not the owner, is this allowed. It is illegal within the City limits for anyone, even if they are not the owner.

CODE VIOLATIONS-ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING (S)

None at this time.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT

Gillund informed the Council that he is working with ADM/Northern Sun on a possible pre-treatment permit for their wastewater. He stated that the sweeper is at Sanitation Products to be worked on and it was not as extensive as they first thought. They will let him know the time frame for getting the parts and repairs made. Gillund had rented a sweeper for the Bobcat and would like to look for an attachment for the City to have. Mark Toso from Otter Tail Power informed Gillund that the engineers have the information on the new lights for Highway 46 and he will let him know when they will be installed. Gillund stated that a new sludge pump for the sludge press will need to be ordered. They have installed a few of the new water meters, getting tractors ready and will be patching potholes and gravel/blading alleys.

STREET DANCE REQUEST

Lisa Stoffel, Manager VFW is requesting an alley dance May 21st for the VFW's 75th Anniversary. Friederichs made a motion approving the request, seconded by Hanson. All Council Members present voting aye, motion carried.

RAFFLES

Bunn made a motion approving 2 raffle permit requests; Jesse Schultz Benefit on May 1, 2022 and Enderlin Youth Baseball for a calendar raffle, seconded by Hamre. All Council Members present voting aye, motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Randy Jawowski and Debbie Erickson from Fat Man Trash attended the meeting inquiring when the City would be looking at calling for bids for the garbage contract. They were informed that the City will probably be looking at July-August. The current contract with Waste Management ends October 31, 2022.

Jana Anderson, Enderlin Ag teacher, submitted a proposal to add a fully functional chicken coop to the Ag Dept. to be used as a learning tool for the classes. Anderson is requesting a permit for 5 or so chickens, no roosters, to be housed in town during the school year starting next fall. City Attorney Kelly went over the ordinance. After some discussion, Bunn made a motion approving the request upon submission of the application and that it meets the requirements of the ordinance along with the \$25.00 fee, seconded by Hanson. All Council Members present voting aye, motion carried.

Winston Hennum and Kurt Tetzlaff attended the meeting concerning the noise level of the trains and the blocking of the crossings for extended lengths of time. The City legally does not have many options as the Railroads are under Federal control. Sheriff Benneweis stated that he does have a number that he can call to get the crossings unblocked. It was suggested that possibly a

sign could be put up with the Sheriff Dept. number, 1-800-472-2121, near the tracks. The Council requested City Attorney check into the noise decibel of horns. Hennem and Tetzlaff are very frustrated with the noise. The Council understands and will keep working on this matter within the legal perimeters.

Ekeren informed the Council that there is an app, Living Local, through Kat & Company that notifications can be sent out by texts. The Council tabled this until we check with the County to see if we can have the same notification system.

The City received a letter from Airborne Vector Control for aerial mosquito spraying. The Council does not wish to commit at this time.


Governor Doug Burgum has proclaimed April 4-8, 2022 as City Government Week in the State of North Dakota.

The Auditor reminded the Council of the Equalization meeting on April 12, 2022 at 6:30 pm in the City Auditors Office.

Meeting recessed.



Deon Maasjo, Mayor



Cyndee Chesley, Auditor

The Enderlin Board of Equalization met on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 in the City Auditors Office with Board Chairman Deon Maasjo presiding. Board Members attending were-Roger Maras, Shelly Hanson, Kayl Hamre, Steven Friederichs, Kevin Bunn and Duane Skramstad.

Others attending were-Lonnie Rotenberger, Joe Mathern, Keith Brandt and Cyndee Chesley.

Chairman Maasjo called the meeting to order and turned it over to the City Assessor, Joe Mathern. Mathern introduced Lonnie Rotenberger, Assistant Assessor. Mathern and Rotenberger submitted to the Board the changes in True & Full Value. Keith Brandt, representing PGAg, questioned the value of the shop on Harvest Lane and 1st Ave. This has come off of the Exemption list and was valued over \$500,000.00 and Brandt feels this is too high. Mathern found the he had made a mistake as there was a value listed on the property when the exemption first started and the value then and now were added together and should not be. Mathern will increase the valuation to \$296,100.00. Most of the other changes were due to sales which were all over, some higher, some lower. Board Member Bunn questioned if the City's valuations are within the State standards. Mathern stated that we are in compliance with the State. After some discussion, Friederichs made a motion to accept the Changes in True & Full Value with the one change (PGAg), seconded by Maras. All Council Members present voting aye, motion carried.

Bunn made a motion to adjourn the Equalization meeting, seconded by Skramstad. All Council Members present voting aye, motion carried.



Deon Maasjo, Mayor



Cyndee Chesley, Auditor