

City Council Meeting
September 3rd, 2019

Regular meeting of the Center City Council was called to order by Mayor Wilkens at 7:00 pm at the Betty Hagel Memorial Civic Center. Council members present Hoffman, Hanson, Schutt, Auditor, City Clerk and City Attorney.

Hoffman moved to approve the Agenda, seconded by Schutt, roll vote, all voting aye, motion passed.

Auditor had nothing to report for treasurers report at this time. Discussion.

Water shut off discussion.

Bills on hand were presented for payment. **Hanson moved to approve claims, seconded by Hoffman, roll vote, all aye, motion passed.** Bills paid: Ameripride 347.56, BHG 232.47, Center Machine 12.48, Cooling and Heating Inc 50,000.00, Core & Main 2437.42, D & E 424.94, Dakota Supply Group 5479.47, Dave's Sale and Service 79.06, Inland truck 172.97, MDU 3338.27, Oliver County auditor 10421.39, One Call 14.40, Pahoda 32.21, Runnings 76.52, Security First Agency 14457.00, Sletten Excavating 14873.62, Southwest Water 10925.47, Superpumper 254.42, Waste Management 4677.58, Wex Bank 630.12

Personal Appearances

Sherriff Department -discussion on junk vehicle

Mike Thompson- Presented council with a plaque for support of Ambulance. Update on portable generator information from past. Previously there was concern that is a storm knocked out power to the life station we would need to have a back up generator. At the time of discussion LOS stated that they would bring a generator to the City of Center lift station. Mark is in contact with LOS and other to see if a portable generator is ever needed if they would still be able to supply that. If that is not possible Mark suggested to purchase a 40kw portable generator. However, that is not needed at this time. Mark will keep the council and city auditor in the loop as to if LOS and other companies would be able to loan generator if needed.

Old Business.

Portfolios:

Mayor Wilkens presented the Coal conversion had a meeting also that Gibbs and son will be out to give an estimate on cost to switch furnace over to propane. Gibbs and sons will also fix a motor on the air conditioning unit as it was not working. Auditor presented a gaming requests for school and save the pool. **Hanson motion to approve gaming permit for Center Stanton School, seconded by Hoffman, roll vote, all voting aye, motion carried. Hoffman made a motion to approve gaming permit for Save the Pool, seconded by Schutt, roll vote, all voting aye, motion carried.**

Water meter discussion. Schutt stated the audit should be starting again in a few weeks. Suggestion to do a random generator of accounts and use those instead of going to every house. Maintenance suggested looking at all flagged meters first.

Street sweeper is being repaired as parts were ordered.

Loan for pool discussion. City attorney suggested loan for max of five years with a max of \$150,000. Repayment revenues would come from coal conversion. Deb Clarys for Security First Bank suggestion. Possible line of credit. Deb suggested payment be set from Save the pool account for set day of the month. Resolution drawn by city attorney. **Hanson approved resolution 2019-01 resolution authorizing loan of up to \$150,000 from Security First bank of North Dakota for repairs of community pool with the interest rate of 3.96%, Seconded by Hoffman, roll voting, all voting aye, motion carried.**

Johlin Water Depot discussion, auditor will get more information for council.

New Business.

Maintenance schedule for equipment, park, and civic center. Suggestion to have preventative schedule of maintenance for all equipment and buildings throughout city be kept in the city office.

Staffing meeting will be schedule biweekly starting again. Auditor will schedule and notify staff.

Security First Visa motions need from park and golf board to pay amount purchased from credit card to the city. **Hanson made motion to pay credit card on due date if said date falls before council meeting, seconded by Hoffman, roll voting, all voting aye, motion carried.**

Residents of 90 and above no longer receive city bill. Discussion. Tabled until next meeting.

Kenny Ramirez stated to auditor he would be willing to check boilers twice a day everyday for a set rate. Currently boilers are being checked once a day every day. Auditor will reach out to Mr. Ramirez.

Water shut off at Clinic. At the current time the shut off is not functional. This will need to be repaired. Mr. Berger will reach out and have it repaired. **Hanson made a motion when replacing inoperable shut off valves half the cost will be to the property owner the remaining will be the city, seconded by Hoffman, roll voting, all voting aye, motion carried.**

Leg covers for tables Mayor Wilkens will check on these.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm

Next Tuesday October 7th 2019 7:00pm