

Regular Meeting, Ethan Town Board, 12-6-10

The Town of Ethan board met in regular session on December 6, 2010 at the Town Hall at 7:00 pm. Members present were Robert Fitzgerald, Josh Franks, Dale Meinke and Lisa Hjellum. Member absent was Nancy Schoenfelder. City personnel present was Sonya Hespe. Others present were Patti Kelly (left at 8:12 pm) and Pat McCann (arrived 7:50 pm, left 8:38 pm).

Vice-Chairman Fitzgerald called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance.
All motions were unanimously voted as aye unless stated otherwise.

Motion Franks, second Hjellum to approve the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion Franks, second Hjellum to approve the minutes from the November 8 regular meeting.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Motion Franks, second Hjellum to approve the claims as presented.

GENERAL FUND

Brett Scott	salary	\$1,454.97
Dale Meinke	wages	\$41.56
Josh Franks	wages	\$41.56
Lisa Hjellum	wages	\$41.56
Nancy Schoenfelder	wages	\$41.56
Robert Fitzgerald	wages	\$41.56
Sonya Hespe	wages	\$466.50
Aaron Electric	repairs	\$45.90
Aflac	employee insurance	\$77.06
Agland Coop	fuel	\$370.12
Agland Coop	Ethan Bucks	\$25.00
BPI	supplies	\$86.13
Brett Scott	bonus	\$60.00
Brett Scott	cafeteria plan reimbursement	\$18.00
Campbell Supply	supplies, tools	\$264.05
Ciavarella Design	architect fees	\$8,605.00
Daily Republic	publishing	\$101.52
Davison County Auditor	quarterly sheriff protection	\$1,800.00
Ethan School District	rent	\$50.00
Farmers State Bank	payroll taxes	\$440.10
JAC Implement	ski-steer	\$25,770.28
Lyle Signs	stop signs	\$438.50
Maxwell & Bowar Agency	insurance	\$6,102.25
Menards	supplies	\$176.25
Morgan Theeler LLP	legal	\$687.00
Nancy Schoenfelder	mileage	\$17.60
NorthWestern Energy	utilities	\$472.26
One Call	locates	\$4.20
Petty Cash	postage	\$6.93
RBS WorldPay	credit card machine usage charges	\$2.03
Santel	telephone	\$88.73
SD Municipal League	annual dues	\$11.81
SD Retirement	retirement	\$269.52
Sonya Hespe	bonus	\$60.00
UMB Card Services	postage & supplies	\$270.60
USDA-RD	loan payment	\$368.28
Weber Sanitation	garbage service	\$1,249.99

SEWER FUND

Brett Scott	salary	\$484.98
Sonya Hespe	wages	\$155.50
Aflac	employee insurance	\$25.68
Brett Scott	bonus	\$20.00
Brett Scott	cafeteria plan reimbursement	\$6.00
Farmers State Bank	payroll tax	\$128.34
Maxwell & Bowar Agency	insurance	\$624.00
Miiller Gravel	gravel	\$330.00
NorthWestern Energy	utilities	\$46.40
RBS WorldPay	credit card machine usage charges	\$3.32
Santel	telephone	\$30.22
SD Retirement	retirement	\$89.86
Sonya Hespe	bonus	\$20.00
UMB Card Services	postage	\$9.80
USDA-RD	loan payment	\$654.72

WATER FUND

Brett Scott	salary	\$484.98
Sonya Hespe	wages	\$155.50

Aflac	employee insurance	\$25.68
Brett Scott	bonus	\$20.00
Brett Scott	cafeteria plan reimbursement	\$6.00
Farmers State Bank	payroll tax	\$128.34
Hanson Rural Water	bulk water	\$3,023.00
Leah Christensen	deposit refund	\$25.00
Maxwell & Bowar Agency	insurance	\$2,370.75
NorthWestern Energy	utilities	\$21.16
RBS WorldPay	credit card machine usage charges	\$6.69
SD Dept of Revenue	water testing	\$12.00
SD Retirement	retirement	\$89.86
Sonya Hespe	bonus	\$20.00
USDA--RD	loan payment	\$368.27

OLD BUSINESS

The board reviewed the estimate of the new city building and the questions/concerns of the public from the December 1 meeting. Some changes were made to window sizes, the exterior stone on the south side of the building and columns was eliminated, upper cabinets in the large meeting room were eliminated and all options for the shop were approved with the exception of the heating source. More types of heating options will be obtained for the shop and reviewed before that decision is made. Approval was given to have Ciavarella Design proceed with the next phase of the project.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion Meinke, second Hjellum to open a public hearing for the liquor licenses.

Motion Franks, second Meinke to close the public hearing.

Motion Franks, second Hjellum to approve the 2011 liquor license applications for Chubbys Bar, Ethan American Legion and Ethan Pub & Grill.

Pat McCann from Maxwell & Bowar Agency reviewed the 2011 insurance package with the board.

The board approved the April 2011 election to be held jointly with the school.

The money market account at Farmers State Bank in Parkston has reached a dormant status. Hespe told the board that we will more than likely be using funds from this account for the new building so we will have a transaction to bring it back to an active status. Hespe also informed the board that BankWest in Mitchell sent a request asking to be considered as a depository. The board agreed that they would leave all accounts as is at this time.

A letter was received from Lisbon Lassies N Lads 4-H Club leader Deb Bigge. The letter informed the board that the club is now meeting in Ethan instead of Mitchell and that they would like to be more involved in community activities. A request was made that the board keep the club in mind if projects come up that they could help with. They also asked the board to consider letting them use the new building as their meeting place.

Bob Fitzgerald informed the board that he is resigning from the animal control position. Until someone is found to take over this position please contact the city office or maintenance department.

REPORTS

Scott was not in attendance but his reports for the water readings and lagoon levels were given to the board. Hespe presented on Scott's behalf a suggestion to the board to consider purchasing a snow bucket that would attach to the Bobcat that was just purchased. The board said to get prices and place on the next agenda.

Hespe showed the sheriff report to the board.

Next regular board meeting is Monday, January 10 at 7:00 pm.

Motion Franks, second Hjellum to adjourn at 9:06 pm.

Sonya Hespe
Finance Officer

Robert Fitzgerald
Vice-Chairman

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