

Regular Meeting, Ethan Town Board, 2-13-17

The Town of Ethan board met in regular session on February 13, 2017, at the Ethan City Hall at 6:05 pm. Trustees present were Lisa Hjellum, Howard Caylor, Jason Koch and Logan Sorenson. Trustee absent was Megan Perry. City personnel present were Betty Raymond & Brett Scott. Others present was Nancy Schoenfelder.

Chairman Hjellum called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
All motions were unanimously voted as aye unless stated otherwise.

Motion Caylor, second Koch to approve the agenda with the addition of discussion of financials.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion Koch, second Sorenson to approve the minutes from the January 17, 2017, regular meeting and motion Sorenson, second Koch to approve the January 16, 2017, Community Center minutes.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Motion Koch, second Caylor to approve the claims as presented.

General, sewer, water, preservation and community center funds * employee and board wages – board wages \$138.54, employee wages \$4,782.17; Aaron Electric, wiring \$2500.00; Advantage Business Solutions, support \$1300.00; Agland Coop, fuel \$158.05; Badger Meter, services \$70.09; Brown & Saenger, supplies \$128.29; Card Services, postage & supplies \$191.35; Daily Republic, publishing \$370.64; Ethan American Legion, BNSF grant \$1500.00; Ethan Coop Lumber, ECC remodel \$8,578.73; Ethan Fire Dept, AED \$250.00; Menards, supplies \$470.75; NorthWestern Energy, utilities \$2,290.42; Santel, telephone \$175.36; SD Dept of Revenue, testing \$30.00; SD Municipal League, dues \$466.41; SD Retirement, retirement \$599.86; Weber Sanitation, garbage service \$1,270.00; QuickBooks Payroll Services \$4,785.90; Aflac, insurance \$73.12; SD Dept of Revenue, sales tax \$110.96; WorldPay, credit card machine charges \$28.62; Hanson Rural Water, tower/water \$4338.00; Tatyanna Shade, deposit refund \$150.00; Brett Scott, FSA payment \$600.00.

BUSINESS

Historical Preservation reported that the bathroom project is nearly finished. Asked to be able to finish the hallway and flooring at no cost to the city which was okayed by the council.

Community Center reported that there is \$1500 designated for the purchase of chairs. Council okayed the purchase of chairs using the donation money. Betty Raymond stated that the library area will open Saturday mornings beginning March 4th unless the facility is rented. Discussed placement of a dumpster.

Grant requests for \$500 each were presented by the Historical Preservation Committee for signs and memorials and by the Ethan After Prom Committee for after prom events. Both were approved on motion by Caylor, second by Sorenson.

Discussion was held regarding the criteria for the Community Grants and the need for having the requests pre-approved. Tabled for review at the March meeting.

Discussed payoff of a loan. Information will be presented at the March meeting. Funds for the payment will be from a CD which is coming due in March. Also discussed the various accounts at the banks and the possibility of combing the funds as the CD comes due.

Brett Scott discussed the purchase of a different truck for the city but has not yet found one to meet the needs.

CITIZEN INPUT

No citizen input.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

REPORTS

Brett reported that there is a water leak but is not able to locate at this time. He will continue to monitor.

Betty Raymond stated that the Annual Report is completed and presented this to the Council. Approved on motion by Koch, second Sorenson.

The next regular board meeting is Monday, March 13th at 6:00 pm.

Motion Caylor, second Sorenson to adjourn at 8:15 pm.

Betty Raymond
Finance Officer

Lisa Hjellum
Chairman

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