

Regular Meeting, Ethan Town Board, 6-7-10

The Town of Ethan board met in regular session on June 7, 2010 at the Town Hall at 7:00 pm. Members present were Nancy Schoenfelder, Robert Fitzgerald, Josh Franks and Kim Sinkie. Member absent was Chad McGuire. City personnel present were Sonya Hespe and Brett Scott. Other present was Dale Meinke.

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

Motion Fitzgerald, second Franks to approve the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion Fitzgerald, second Sinkie to approve the minutes from the May 10, 2010 regular meeting and May 26, 2010 special meeting.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Motion Sinkie, second Franks to approve the claims as presented except the claim to Ethan Baseball in the General Fund. After discussion on the claim to Ethan Baseball it was decided to ask a representative from that organization to attend the July meeting. A decision will be made on that claim at that time.

GENERAL FUND

Brett Scott	salary for June 1 paycheck	\$1,454.96
Chad McGuire	wages	\$83.11
Josh Franks	wages	\$83.11
Kim Sinkie	wages	\$83.11
Nancy Schoenfelder	wages	\$83.11
Robert Fitzgerald	wages	\$83.11
Sonya Hespe	wages	\$365.81
Aflac	employee insurance	\$77.06
Agland Coop	fuel & supplies	\$312.07
Agland Coop	clean up day certificate	\$25.00
Daily Republic	publishing	\$339.81
Davison County Auditor	quarterly sheriff protection	\$1,800.00
Ethan Baseball	annual donation	\$1,000.00
Ethan Coop Lumber	supplies	\$56.32
Farmers Alliance	chemical	\$214.88
Farmers State Bank	payroll taxes	\$423.60
Menards	supplies	\$63.37
Mitchell Landfill	clean up day	\$268.41
Morgan Theeler LLP	legal	\$63.00
NorthWestern Energy	utilities	\$431.18
RBS WorldPay	credit card machine usage charges	\$1.00
Santel	telephone	\$91.19
SD Dept of Revenue	malt beverage licenses	\$425.00
SD Retirement	retirement	\$256.62
Sonya Hespe	mileage	\$81.60
UMB Card Services	postage & supplies	\$168.97
USDA – RD	loan payment	\$654.72
Weber Sanitation	garbage service	\$1,250.00

SEWER FUND

Brett Scott	salary for June 1 paycheck	\$484.98
Sonya Hespe	wages	\$121.94
Aflac	employee insurance	\$25.68
Agland Coop	supplies	\$8.34
Farmers State Bank	payroll tax	\$122.82
NorthWestern Energy	utilities	\$170.84
RBS WorldPay	credit card machine usage charges	\$1.65
Santel	telephone	\$30.44
SD Department of Revenue	testing	\$420.00
SD Retirement	retirement	\$85.54
UMB Card Services	postage & supplies	\$58.00
USDA – RD	loan payment	\$368.28

WATER FUND

Brett Scott	salary for June 1 paycheck	\$484.98
Sonya Hespe	wages	\$121.94
Aflac	employee insurance	\$25.68
Farmers State Bank	payroll tax	\$122.82
Hanson Rural Water	bulk water	\$2,519.00
Jeremy Mansfield	deposit refund	\$85.00
Jim Brewer	deposit refund	\$25.00
NorthWestern Energy	utilities	\$36.08
RBS WorldPay	credit card machine usage charges	\$2.95
SD Dept of Revenue	water testing	\$12.00
SD Retirement	retirement	\$85.54
USDA – RD	loan payment	\$368.27

OLD BUSINESS

Scott informed the board he called four businesses for estimates on the Ash Street drainage project and only received two quotes back. Lemke Digging quoted \$2,500 and 3D Excavation quote \$1,939. 3D Excavation's quote would be pending on other jobs they're quoting in the area. Lemke could do the work soon and has always been available to the town for emergencies in the past. Motion Franks, second Sinkie to accept the quote from Lemke Digging to do the labor for the project. There will still be labor for other parts of the project later that will be completed by other companies.

Scott told the board that Commercial Asphalt informed him they could possibly be here in two weeks to start the work on 6th and Ash Streets. Board gave approval for Scott to get gravel for Maple Street from 4th to 6th and on 6th in front of the ballpark and on Railroad. The remainder of the street repair budget will be used for chip sealing which will be done by Topkote. They quoted the same cost as last year at \$1.65/sq yard, Commercial Asphalt did not want to give a quote for this project. Scott will inform Topkote how much to do and where when they come in.

There was more discussion regarding the city office/shop. When talking about grant funds that are available, Sinkie suggested looking into a portable trailer or construction trailer to be used as an office for a temporary home. She said she will look into this and bring the information to the July meeting.

There were several ordinances looked over regarding the termination notice, termination and delinquent accounts for water, sewer and garbage bills. A first reading was made on section 3.1.7, 3.2.6 and 3.3.6 all regarding termination notices. There will be a second reading in July on each of these changes.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion Fitzgerald, second Franks to open a public hearing for the malt beverage licenses.

Motion Franks, second Fitzgerald to close the public hearing.

Motion Franks, second Fitzgerald to approve the malt beverage license application for 2010-2011 for Agland Coop and Chubby's Bar.

Ethan Alumni Association had previously requested permission to block the streets in town for a parade during their celebration on Saturday, June 19th. Participants will line up starting at the ball field and along Maple Street. The parade will go from the ball field to the old cheese factory on Main Street starting at 10:00 AM.

A letter was received from Planning & Development District III to see if we planned on working with them in 2011. At this time the city does plan on continuing working with Dist III.

Fitzgerald informed the other board members that there is nothing in the current ordinances about animals at large. There was an ordinance in place in the old book but it was missed being put in the new set of ordinances. There will be a first reading to add an ordinance at the July meeting.

The old manual for the emergency response plan was briefly discussed. The board will look through the old manual and note any changes that they see will need made. This will also be placed on the July agenda for further review.

Schoenfelder told the board she would like to get flowers to put in the planters on Main Street.

REPORTS

Scott reported that Arden Lemke will be in town doing several small projects. While he is here there are 2 meter pits that need to be addressed. The pit at Darrell Stahl's is sticking up out of the ground and needs redug so the pit is ground level to avoid freezing the lines. It was also noted that a trailer house was missed when all of the other pits were being put in. A letter will be sent to the owner of this property notifying them that a meter pit needs to be installed. There are a couple hydrants in town that need repaired, one at 3rd and Main, the other by Randy Paulson's residence. Scott also informed the board that a warning letter was received from SD DENR regarding the discharging at the lagoon. DENR is now requiring progress reports explaining what is being done to correct the problem to avoid future discharges. From this discussion it was decided a special meeting will be set up with SPN and some landowners about the possibility of running pipes to become a discharge facility.

Hespe gave the sheriffs report to the board.

Next regular board meeting is Monday, July 12 at 7:00 pm.

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

Sonya Hespe
Finance Officer

Nancy Schoenfelder
Chairman

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