

Regular Meeting, Ethan Town Board, 10-14-14

The Town of Ethan board met in regular session on October 14, 2014 at the Ethan City Hall at 5:00 pm. Members present were Lisa Hjellum, Robert Fitzgerald, Howard Caylor, Joe Long and Dale Meinke. No members were absent. City personnel present were Sonya Hespe & Brett Scott. Others present was Camden Hofer (arrived 5:58 pm, left 7:03 pm).

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

Motion Fitzgerald, second Meinke to approve the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion Meinke, second Fitzgerald to approve the minutes from the September 9, 2014 regular meeting and September 22, 2014 special meeting.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

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

General, capital outlay, sewer, water and preservation funds - employee and board wages \$6,750.87; Hanson Rural Water, bulk water \$3,949.20 and loan payment \$423.00; Agland Coop, fuel & supplies \$105.69; Auch Plumbing & Heating, construction \$22,375.31; Campbell's Supply, supplies \$74.84; Card Services, postage & supplies \$456.03; Chris & Missy Ortman, deposit refund \$85.00; Clark Paving, construction \$2,362.88; Daily Republic, publishing \$319.55; DK Enterprises, construction \$357.14; Kelly Tobin, supplies \$90.53; KO Pest Control, maintenance \$90.00; Menards, supplies \$166.10; Menning Backhoe, construction \$50,000.00; Metering & Technology Solutions, transceiver \$6,000.00; Morgan Theeler LLP, legal \$1,627.10; NorthWestern Energy, utilities \$1,202.34; Santel, telephone \$145.30; SD Dept of Revenue, testing \$13.00; SD Municipal League, registration \$25.00; SD One Call, locates \$2.10; SD Retirement, retirement \$674.50; Sonya Hespe, travel \$274.40; SPN, services \$4,602.25; Vantek Communications, tower \$600.00; Weber Sanitation, garbage service \$1,270.00; Intuit, fees \$3.39; Aflac, insurance \$100.68; Farmers State Bank, payroll tax \$1,207.42; SD Dept of Revenue, sales tax \$93.58; USDA - RD, loan \$368.27 and \$1,023.00; WorldPay, credit card machine charges \$23.53. Park fund - Farmers Alliance, supplies \$250.00; Mark Endres, repairs \$118.93.

OLD BUSINESS

Updates were given on the nuisance properties, water meter project, Safe Routes to School and street repairs. No action was taken on any of these items.

The lagoon discharge project has been substantially completed. There are a few clean up items that still need to be completed but the new lift station is now in operation.

NEW BUSINESS

A resident asked about people reserving the gazebo to hold picnics or get-togethers there. The citizen thought people should call the city office to reserve the area & pay a reservation fee. The board determined there is not enough usage of the area at this time to warrant a reservation or fee.

CITIZEN INPUT

No citizen input.

REPORTS

Monthly reports from sheriff's office, lagoon & tower readings were available to the board for review.

There will be a special meeting on Monday, October 20th at 5:00 pm. The next regular board meeting is Monday, November 10th at 5:00 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion Long, second Fitzgerald to enter into executive session at 7:17 pm pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2.1.

Hjellum declared executive session over at 7:51 pm.

Motion Meinke, second Hjellum to adjourn at 7:51 pm.

Sonya Hespe
Finance Officer

Lisa Hjellum
Chairman

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