

City of Powers Lake  
Regular Meeting  
Unapproved Proceedings

The Powers Lake City Council met in regular session on Monday, January 4, 2021 at 8:00 am. Council members present were: Holmen, Griesbach, Hockenbary and Carlson. Also present were Chris Hageman with Ackerman Estvold, Kenny MacDonald, Amber Fiesel, Police Chief Lerol, and the auditor. Council president Carlson called the meeting to order.

Motion by Griesbach, seconded by Hockenbary to approve the December minutes. Motion carried.

Streets/Legion Hall: Holmen has requested additional street lights by the Legion, Goodman Manor, Engets and B Jorgenson's shop. Holmen will have an additional LP tank set at the Legion Hall to cut down on fills during the winter. Holmen met with Dan Nelson regarding sanding of city streets and will contact the county to make sure the city is on the list for crack sealing on Main Street.

Water/Sewer: The water tower report from H&H was reviewed. MacDonald will be changing out the circulation pump at the tower today.

Police report for December: calls for service-45; cases-1; misdemeanors-1; accidents-4; arrests-1; citations-2; warnings-24; case to SAA-1; assist BCSO-2; PLA/PLFD calls-5; school checks-1; door checks-1; vehicle unlocks-1; bar checks-1; alarm calls/911-5; Misc/phone calls-72. Mileage-320. Lerol presented his yearly report.

Old business: Discussion was held on old fire hall/new storage-shop building.

New business: 2021 estimated employee costs were reviewed, which included a budgeted 3% raise. Griesbach has noticed the shingles on city hall will be need to be replaced in the next 3-5 years. Motion by Holmen, seconded by Griesbach to approve the following sales tax committee recommendations: Country Fresh Foods – \$7,500 grant (coolers/shelving) and \$22,500 loan (1% for 10 years); Kelly & Lisa Thomas (Breeding Building remodel for tire/oil change shop) – city buy-down interest on \$20,900 loan in the amount of \$5,640.00; Cliff Edwards – \$5,000 start-up grant and interest buy-down of \$1,200 to run the Breeding Bldg service shop. Roll call votes resulted in ayes unanimous.

Auditor will have NCC run a phone line to the back room so a conference call phone can be used during council meetings.

Motion by Hockenbary, seconded by Holmen to pay the following bills: Bryton Allard-500.00, BNSF Railway-150.00; Border Plains Equipment-55.14; Burke County Treasurer-1071.67, Burke County Tribune-154.44, Cenex-1026.72, Circle Sanitation-6578.00, Country Store-66.68, First District Health-25.00, H&H Coating-5277.38, Hawkins-1309.00, ITD-28.45, Kenny MacDonald-42.18, McGregor Trucking-40.00, MDU-2485.03, NCC-400.08, ND Rural Water Systems-130.00, Patch Supply-252.00, Sportsman's Warehouse-190.84, Verizon-314.27, John Albertson-554.10, Bryton Allard-3009.00, Liz Beavers-502.23, Darrell Carlson-323.22, Arlo

Griesbach-323.22, Derek Hockenbary-323.22, Brooks Holmen-323.22, Todd Lerol-5027.28, Kenny MacDonald(city)-2905.71, Kenny MacDonald(watershed grant)-210.55, Jennifer Titus-2181.19, NDPERS-2028.08, IRS payroll taxes-4754.22, ND State Tax Commissioner-496.61. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous.

Next meeting is Tuesday, February 2 at 8:00 am.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 am.

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Darrell Carlson, Council President

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Jennifer Titus, City Auditor