

City of Powers Lake
Regular Meeting
Unapproved Proceedings

The Powers Lake City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at 7:00 pm. Council members present were: Ledene, Griesbach, and Carlson. Also present were Kenny MacDonald, Daniel Swanson – Ackerman-Estvold, Chief Lerol, Randy Mehlhoff, Rick Liesener & Craig Haskin with R&T Water, Shannon Holter-Western Dakota Energy Assoc and the auditor.

Council President Carlson called the meeting to order.

Liesener gave a update on the funding being requested during this legislative session for rural water projects. R&T inquired if Powers Lake is interested in being included in the projects requesting funding during this biennium. Discussion was held on increase of resident water/sewer rates needed for rural water, cost of pipeline from Hwy 2, loss of bulk water sales into the city water fund, and need for efficient monthly water metering. Council consensus was to not be included in this biennium funding round, but invited rural water to inquire again for the next biennium funding round. Liesener & Haskin left the meeting.

Holter addressed the council regarding supporting Operation Prairie dog HB1066. Council agreed to have a letter written in support and email to Holter. Holter left the meeting.

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

Motion by Ledene, seconded by Griesbach to approve the financial report. Motion carried.

Streets/Legion Hall: Estimate to sandblast and repaint the interior bin of the street sweeper was presented from Showtime Customs of Minot. Motion by Ledene, seconded by Griesbach to have the work done per estimate for \$2,500. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous. Auditor will order new spring banners.

Police report for December: calls for service-18; cases-1; misdemeanors-3; accidents-2; arrest-1; citations-4; warnings issued-5; case to SAA-1; animal complaints-2; finger prints-1; assist PLA/PLFD-1; bar checks-2; school checks-2; vehicle unlocks-2; misc & phone calls-6; vehicle miles on patrol-375. Lerol gave a hiring recommendation for Ryan Halverson. Motion by Griesbach, seconded by Ledene to approve hiring Ryan Halverson. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous.

Old business: Griesbach will check with Brad Streifel on the status of the ambulance building insurance claim.

New business: Motion by Ledene, seconded by Griesbach to approve the budgeted 6% employee raises effective January 1, 2019. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous.

Motion by Griesbach, seconded by Ledene to pay the following bills: BNSF-75.00, Burke County Treasurer-1057.23, Burke County Tribune-79.50, Burlington Electric-528.75, Cenex-

966.46, Circle Sanitation-6567.00, CFF-16.86, County Store-564.65, Fiesel Law-200.00, First District Health-22.00, Galls-169.01, ITD-28.45, Jennifer Titus-90.00, John's Sand & Gravel-3112.50, Kenny MacDonald-215.82, MDU-2796.01, Municipal Finance Officer Assoc-30.00, NCC-441.78, ND Fraternal Order of Police-75.00, NDLC-240.00, One Call Concepts-1.20, PL Community Club-450.00, POST board-100.00, Randy Mehlhoff-87.20, Titan Machinery-1634.46, USPS-650.00, Verizon-243.57, John Albertson-554.10, Liz Beavers-461.96, Darrell Carlson-369.40, Arlo Griesbach-461.75, Derek Hockenbary-415.57, Betty Ledene-461.75, Todd Lerol-4666.26, Kenny MacDonald(city)-1305.55, Kenny MacDonald(watershed grant)-1125.86, Diane Marden-154.18, Randy Mehlhoff-2653.80, Jennifer Titus-1944.54, NDPERS-1281.42, IRS payroll taxes-4018.52, Office of State Tax Commissioner-512.69. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous.

Next meeting is Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at 7:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned.

John Albertson, Mayor

Jennifer Titus, City Auditor