

City of Powers Lake  
Regular Meeting  
Unapproved Proceedings

The Powers Lake City Council met in regular session on June 3, 2024 at 6:00 pm. Council members present were: Griesbach, Parslow, and Holmen. Also present were Kenny MacDonald, Chief Allard, Chris with Ackerman-Estvold, Dustin Olson, Jarrett VanBerkom(Burke County Commissioner) and the auditor.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited at 6:00 pm.

Mayor Enget called the meeting to order.

VanBerkom addressed the council regarding a concern voiced to him about the higher water level of Powers Lake, the outflow of water at Minnow bridge, shore washing at the cabins and berm in front of the outflow culverts. The cattails and weeds have been cleared from the culverts. Motion by Griesbach, seconded by Holmen to leave the berm at the outflow culverts as is. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous. VanBerkom left the meeting.

Ackerman-Estvold gave the engineering report.

Motion by Holmen, seconded by Griesbach approve the May meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Auditor: Motion by Holmen, seconded by Griesbach to approve the May fund balance statement. Motion carried. Discussion was held on transferring building/equipment reserve funds CD's. Motion by Griesbach, seconded by Parslow to transfer \$250,000 of building reserve and \$50,000 of equipment reserve into CD's. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous.

Landfill & Building Permits: Landfill inspection report was reviewed. Motion by Parslow, seconded by Holmen to have a new landfill sign with new pricing ordered. Roll call vote resulted in aye unanimous. Motion by Parslow, seconded by Holmen to approve the building permit for Northern Charm Boutique for a new building at the location of the Floor House. Motion carried.

Streets & Legion Hall: MacDonald will meet with Skar on what trees need trimming. Crack sealer is in operation. Holmen has contacted BNSF regarding the west crossing in need of repair.

Water & Sewer: Motion by Holmen, seconded by Parslow to sign the yearly maintenance sewer lift station contract with ND Sewage Pump & Lift Station Service Co, Inc for \$850/year. Roll call vote resulted in aye unanimous.

Police report for May: calls for service-39; cases-3; misdemeanors-2; arrests-4; citation-9; warnings-9; Case to SAA-2; landfill-1; assist PLA/PLFD-3; school checks-7; unlocks-1; bar checks-15; alarm calls/911-3, Misc & phone calls-116, total vehicles mileage-3958. Chief Allard had training in Valley City; Hunter Ed class held; Expedition having issues; Calls for service continue to increase along with cases and crimes. BNSF police has notified the department that policing is now turned over to the city department. Discussion was held on the Expedition – warranty is up in 6 months. Chief Allard will bring price quotes to replace the Expedition to the July meeting.

Mayor: June 20 is Powers Lake Juneberry Day, Powers Lake Days is Aug 9-11 and Enget thanked MacDonald for putting on the Annual Fishing Derby.

New business: Discussion was held on chip-sealing city streets. Motion by Parslow, seconded by Griesbach to approve the following sales tax committee recommendation: grant of \$12,800 to Lions Club to tie in water/sewer to splashpad; grant of \$15,000 to Northern Charm Boutique for water/sewer tie in and demo of building in preparation of new building; grant of \$3,200 to Powers Lake Community Club for signage at entrances to town; grant of \$35,000 to Powers Lake Parkboard for new trees, concrete removal/repour and new picnic tables. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous. Motion by Parslow, seconded by Griesbach to hire the spraying of dandelions/weeds on city owned lots. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous. Motion by Griesbach, seconded by Holmen to approve Turley's application for a liquor license transfer to the Legion for wedding dance June 15<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried.

Motion by Holmen, seconded by Griesbach to pay the following bills: Amazon-85.96, American Legion Flags-107.00, Blue to Gold-225.00, Border Plains-294.28, Bryton Allard-666.34, Burke County Tribune-176.30, Cenex-822.32, Circle Sanitation-6956.00, Country Store-2524.98, Dakota Fire Extinguisher-249.95, First District Health-30.00, Heck Built-160.00, ITD-63.80, Jacob Roberts-650.00, Jennifer Titus-60.30, Kari Enget-42.88, Lexipol-190.96, MDU-2871.55, NCC-395.19, ND Rural Water Systems-265.00, ND Sewage Pump & Lift Stations-8500.00, One Call Concepts-, Staples-317.95, Streichers-17.97, Tractor Supply-1199.99, Uniform Center-2343.93, USPS-100.00, Valli Information Systems-, Verizon-255.87, White Buffalo Construction-15000.00, Bryton Allard-4567.90, Liz Beavers-730.53, Carey Kilpatrick-88.66, Kenny MacDonald(city)-2872.34, Kenny MacDonald(watershed)-1300.65, Jeff Parslow-140.38, Bonnie Peters-2270.35, Jacob Roberts-4325.06, Jennifer Titus-2546.77, NDPERS(retirement)-2329.20, NDPERS(Def Comp)-800.00, IRS payroll taxes-5931.95. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous.

Dustin Olson inquired about the broken bench in front of the grocery store. MacDonald will collect the broken bench and Mayor Enget will get a new one ordered from the Country Store.

Next meeting is Monday, July 1 at 6 pm.

Motion by Holmen, seconded by Griesbach to adjourn at 7:35 pm. Motion carried.

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Kari Enget, Mayor

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Jennifer Titus, City Auditor