

**Langdon City Commission
Regular Meeting
January 10, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.**

Members present Jerry Nowatzki, Lawrence Henry, Darin Kaercher, Jim Rademacher and Susan Fay Crockett. Also, present Tom Beauchamp, Chelsea Graber, Jason Busse and Jeff Hiller, Steph Bata and Greg Goodman – County Tax Director, Andrew Aakre – Moore Engineering and Quentin Wenzel – City Attorney, and RoxAnne Hoffarth.

J. Nowatzki called the meeting to order and led everyone into the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes: L. Henry made the motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on December 30th, seconded by S. Crockett. Motion carries.

Additions to Agenda:

Correspondence:

Department Reports:

Street – J. Hiller reported they have pushing and hauling snow. L. Henry informed the commission that they are going to do maintenance on all three loaders at this time and then every other year rotate the two street department loaders; then as hours are put on the shared loader that one will be scheduled when needed. Also, the street department has been putting an over excessive number of hours in a day. It was agreed to limit the hours in a day to 14 hours so they can get some rest. Also other departments may need to help out at time. There was a long discussion about main street snow removal and businesses sidewalks.

Fire – L. Henry reported air paks were ordered and that there was a donation for containers.

Water – J. Busse reported they worked on a couple of frozen lines.

Sanitation – T. Beauchamp reported he's been working on year end for State.

Activity Center – C. Graber reported the adult volleyball went well. There will be four teams starting in February.

Police Department – No report.

Auditor Report – R. Hoffarth stated been working on year end, w2 and 1099's.

Unfinished Business: Moore Engineering – Phase 1 – sewer, Water, Storm Improvements – Did get quotes from two different contractors for the remaining asphalt work, but the quotes were greater than the available retainage on the project. We are looking into factors that might lead to a reduced bid in the future. Spoke with the Contractor today to discuss the status of the remaining work. The plan is to have Dakota Fence finish the fence work at the wastewater ponds when the weather allows in the spring. The conditions deteriorated quickly after the ponds were discharged this fall. The transfer pipe work was not completed. The plan will be to complete this in the spring after the ponds are discharged. The plan is for the asphalt work to commence as soon as the asphalt plants are operational, and the load restrictions are lifted. Discussion was held regarding revisiting the status of this work and the contractor again in March.

Phase 2 – Sewer, Water, and Storm Water Improvements – No report.

New Business:

City Assessment – Steph Bata and Greg Goodman present to discuss the upcoming years assessment. Jerry Ratzlaff will be retiring, and we will need to hire a new assessor which is not an easy task, or the County would need to take it over. It was discussed that the City notify the County by April 1st if it's plan for 2022.

Parcel #60900 next to P. Peterson – Peterson came to the City requesting to purchase half of the parcel #60900 to build a garage on. Commission feels this would work with the Street department being able to still pile snow on the City’s half. **L. Henry made motion to seel the lot. Motion carries L. Henry also motions that the lot value is less than \$2500 so doesn’t need to go out on bids seconded by D. Kaercher. Motion Carries.** Commission agrees the land should be at least a value of \$2400 and if the land needs to be surveyed this is at the expense of the purchaser. Quentin will notify Peterson.

Shop houses – It has been asked if shop houses could be built in a Residential area. After research in ordinance and discussion it was agreed that it doesn’t fall under a R1 zoning area. So, no shop houses are to be built in residential areas.

Building Permits – None

82876-82889/59341-59344/59363-59364	Payroll & Liab.	20703.16
59345	APPLIED CONCEPTS, INC.	9764.00
59346	COCA-COLA HIGH COUNTRY	20.00
59347	DACOTAH PAPER CO.	422.40
59348	DAHL TRUCKING PLUS	664.29
59349	FARMER'S UNION OIL CO.	4368.31
59350	GREAT PLAINS FIRE	72.39
59351	HIWAY LAUNDRY	224.50
59352	JASON BUSSE	82.31
59353	JOHNSON CONTROLS, INC.	6600.00
59354	MAR-KIT LANDFILL	2989.00
59356	NORTH DAKOTA LEAGUE OF CITIES	1585.00
59357	OTTERTAIL POWER CO.	6410.68
59358	POWERPLAN	7805.02
59359	RICHARD'S WELDING, INC.	1133.50
59360	THE BOARDERLAND PRESS	162.75
59361	VALLI INFORMATION SYSTEMS, INC.	712.59
59362	VERIZON WIRELESS	317.77

Review and Approval of Bills: L. Henry made the motion to approve all bills seconded by D. Kaercher. Motion carries.

Adjourn: With no other business L. Henry moved to adjourn the meeting.

Lawrence Henry, Vice President

RoxAnne Hoffarth, Auditor