Minutes

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

April 12, 2021

The minutes of the Froid Town Council at the Froid Community Center on April 12, 2021. Those in attendance were Councilmen Dan Kjelshus, Dan Mogen, Gregg Labatte, and Gale Strandlund. Also present was Mayor, Sheri Crain and Town Clerk, LeAnn Johnson.

Mayor Crain called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and welcomed the guests present. Gregg Labatte made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Dan Mogen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Works Report: Odean was not present to report. Mayor Crain reported that a new battery for the tractor had to be ordered through Case IH. It should be here any day and then Odean will be able to work on street repairs. There are a couple missing street signs around Town-they have been ordered.

Sheriff’s Report: Deputy Corbell was present to report on behalf of the Roosevelt County Sheriff’s Department. He reported that it has been quiet in Town and there was only one traffic stop along the highway in the past month. Mayor Crain reported that someone recently notified the Town about damage done to a garbage receptacle on a personal residence. It is unknown who caused the damage.

2021 BaRSAA Allocation: Mayor Crain read aloud Resolution No. 2021-1: A Resolution Requesting Distribution of Bridge and Road Safety and Accountability Program Funds. The allocation to be requested will be $11,032.18. The matching amount the Town must contribute will be $551.61 from the General Fund for a total amount of $11,583.79. The 2021 proposed project is for Town-wide street and alley maintenance and repair. Dan Kjelshus made a motion to accept Resolution No. 2021-1 as written. Gale Strandlund seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Town Boundary Limits Update: Mayor Crain reported that Laura Christoffersen still has the proposed annexation resolutions for review. There will be a public hearing regarding the proposed boundary change prior to passing the resolutions.

Review of Water, Sewer, and Garbage Accts: Council looked over the delinquent accounts. Letters will be sent out, and phone calls will be made to those on the list. Councilmen Strandlund and Mogen questioned the reason for the Town not implementing a reconnect or disconnect fee for water services. Council agreed it may need to be looked at in the future. Resident Penny Ryder was in attendance and inquired as to whether Nemont pays for garbage service in Town as she sees them put stuff in the dumpsters quite often. Mayor Crain stated that it is something the Town could look into, as she was unaware of them using the garbage services.

New Business:

Street Vendors: Mayor Crain reported that she has been in conversation with someone interested in placing a portable food vending trailer in Town to serve coffees and some food options. It is a self-contained trailer so will not require access to electricity. After discussion, Council agreed to allow the vendor sales as long as the trailer is located in an area zoned as Business/Commercial.

Water Depot Update: Sheri stated that Scott Crain has volunteered his time the last few years to fill the tanks at the water depot. He went to fill them this year and the tanks wouldn’t fill. After looking into it, it was discovered that there was a leak in the line from the well to the depot. Alan Engelke repaired/replaced the washed-out well-head fitting. Sheridan Electric also looked over the well pump that isn’t working properly. The next step will be to pull the pump to attempt to find the cause of the issues.

Discharge Permit: Mayor Crain reported that since the Lagoon project is complete, and there should be no need to discharge, Great West has advised the Town there should be no problem with allowing the discharge permit to lapse. There is an $850 annual fee along with monthly and annual reporting requirements for the discharge permit. Allowing it to lapse will free up time and money.

2021 Municipal Election: Mayor Crain reported the positions open for elected office in the 2021 Municipal Election are Mayor and two Council positions. These are all 4-year terms. Those interested can file starting April 22, 2021 and have until June 21, 2021.

Building Permits: There were no new building permits to present.

Review of Claims for Approval of Payment: Council looked over the April 2021 claims. Gale Strandlund made a motion for the clerk to remit payment on all claims. Gregg Labatte seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Other Business: None

With no further business, Mayor Crain adjourned the meeting at 7:32 pm. The next regular Council meeting will be May 10, 2021.

Mayor: Clerk: