Draft Minutes

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

May 8, 2023

The minutes of the Froid Town Council at the Froid Community Center on May 8, 2023. Those in attendance were Council Members Gale Strandlund, Laurie Young, and Tyler Harris. Also present was Mayor, Sheri Crain; and Town Clerk, LeAnn Johnson.

Mayor Crain called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and recognized the guest present. Mayor Crain asked if there were any non-agenda comments or concerns.

Minutes from the ~~May 8~~ April 17, 2023 meeting were read. Council member Tyler Harris made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Gale Strandlund seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Works Director Report: Mayor Crain reported that Alan has been blading streets and has taken out an approach at the south end of 2nd Ave S to help with stormwater drainage. He also cleaned out the other culverts and ditches along 2nd Ave S. Alan has been organizing and cleaning up the Town shop to get a feel for what the Town has for supplies and tools. With the warmer weather, he will be using the pothole patch for street repairs. Alan will be looking into the possible leak at the north end of the baseball field near the new bathroom, but he feels like it could be groundwater. Sheri will be meeting with Laura Christoffersen when she returns from vacation to draw up a contract with Alan for his Town work hours vs independent contractor hours.

Sheriff’s Report: There was no one present to report on behalf of the Roosevelt County Sheriff’s Department.

Old Business:

ARPA Project Update-Task Order #4: Council looked over Task Order #4 detailing the completion of design, bidding, construction administration, and grant administration related to the ARPA water and sewer improvements. Upon discussion, Council granted Mayor Crain approval to sign the Task Order #4 as part of the engineering agreement with Great West Engineering.

Nuisance Properties-Clean Up Day: Mayor Crain read a draft of a Public Notice to Town residents and property owners that will be distributed around Town and posted in the media. A date for a “clean-up day” will be discussed at a later date.

Arbor Day Celebration: Mayor Crain reported that the Arbor Day celebration and tree planting ceremony is two days away. She encouraged Council members to help inform the residents of the celebration and encouraged the Council to attend if possible. Council member Tyler Harris stated that he plans to bring some of his students.

Review of Water, Sewer, and Garbage Accts: Council looked over the delinquent accounts. For those on the list that have not responded to calls or letters, door hangers will be distributed.

New Business:

Ordinance Review: Mayor Crain changed the order of the agenda to place the Ordinance Review at the end of the meeting. See below.

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

Review of Claims for Approval of Payment: Mayor Crain asked Council to look over the claims for May 2023. After review, Laurie Young made a motion for the clerk to remit payment on all claims. Tyler Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Other Business: Mayor Crain reported there was a public meeting held by the County Commissioners at the Community Center regarding the proposal for an open cut sand mine near Froid. Community members had the opportunity to give their opinions on the matter.

Penny Ryder asked Council about what could be done with a piece of metal sticking out of the sidewalk near her property that she feels is dangerous. Mayor Crain stated that it has been there for several years, but that she could have Alan take a look at it.

The Council went over each chapter and each section of Ordinance Title 9- Public Peace, Safety, and Morals. Upon discussion, Council members felt there are portions that should be eliminated completely and a portion that could possibly follow the County ordinances. Corrections and adjustments to the ordinance will be made and presented at a later Council meeting.

With no further business, Mayor Crain adjourned the meeting at 7:35. The next regular Council meeting will be June 12, 2023.

 Mayor: Clerk: