Minutes

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

January 8, 2018

The minutes of the Froid Town Council at the Froid Community Center on January 8, 2018. Those present were Mayor Sheri Crain and Council Members Gale Strandlund, Gregg Labatte, Dan Kjelshus, and Dan Mogen. Also present was Public Works Director, Odean Kilsdonk and Town Clerk, LeAnn Johnson.

Mayor Crain called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Visitors were recognized. The minutes from the December 11, 2017 meeting were read. Dan Kjelshus made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Dan Mogen seconded it. Motion carried.

Public Works Report: Odean was present to report. Odean stated that the last couple days he has been going back to the properties were he installed meters and retrieving the correct ID sticker needed for the billing program. LeAnn gave a recap on the meter training from January 3rd and 4th. A portion of the meters have been read remotely. This will be a slow process getting all of them converted to AMR. Odean reported that he recently had to clear the sewer vent at the Town office building, as it was iced over. Mayor Crain stated that since the tree pile has now been burned, everyone should be thinking about a new location for tree and branch disposal.

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

Old Business:

Water Meter Project Update: (See Public Works Report above).

Lagoon Project Update: The Town has not made progress on the purchase of the additional land being sought after for the lagoon project. Mayor Crain and Greg Lukasik of Great West Engineering have put in a request to have a buy/sell agreement drafted to possibly speed up the process. Council would like to check into the possibility of looking into the other options laid out in the PER.

Review of Records Request: Clerk LeAnn Johnson read an email for a records request. After discussion, Council agreed that it is public records being requested so they must be made available. However, the time it would take to fulfill the request is not practical given the fact that the Town has no full-time employees. Council asked that LeAnn reply to the request and let the gentleman know he is more than welcome to come to the office to look through the records.

Review of Accounts Receivables: Delinquencies were reviewed. Letters will be mailed and phone calls made to those on the list.

New Business:

Building Permits: There were no new building permit requests.

Council reviewed claims. Council voiced their concerns with the MDU claim for the Community Center. Mayor Crain stated that there has recently been some work done on the heating system but it has not been finished. Councilman Labatte suggested looking into having an energy audit completed on the

building. After further review, Dan Kjelshus made a motion for the clerk to remit payment on all claims. Gale Strandlund seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Other Business:

Mayor Crain reported that Bryan and Jill Davidson have volunteered to redo the Town’s street Christmas decorations. Bryan also recently put a wood casing around the window to the kitchen of the Community Center. Sheri pointed out to Council the new wall decoration hanging in the Community center which was donated by Craig and Gloria Giese. It can be changed out according to seasons/holidays.

Mayor Crain reported the Town was recently awarded a $2,000.00 grant by the Nyquist Foundation to help with the purchase of a convection oven for the Community Center.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:12.

The next regular council meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on February 12, 2018.

 Mayor: Clerk: