

CITY OF OXBOW

Council Meeting Minutes 7-19-2023 Oxbow Country Club

Present: Mayor Nyhof, Jon Althoff, Ryan Schulz, and Bryan Triebold. Roger Campbell is absent. Meeting called to order by Mayor Nyhof at 6 pm.

Motion by Althoff, second by Triebold, to approve the minutes from June 21, 2023. Motion carried.

Discussion on the start of the Workman construction. There has been no movement. Word from the builder is that the financing was closed on July 18th.

Sheriff's report – 13 calls for service. Need a detailed rules of the road for golf carts. There have been multiple sightings of underage children driving golf carts around the city. Motion by Althoff, second by Schulz to donate \$250 to the Soldier6 charity in honor of fallen police officer Jake Wallin and \$250 to the recovering police officer's charity. Motion carried.

City Engineer update – had a meeting with the DA last week on the storm sewer/swale project. Should hear an answer back in about 3 weeks. The bid packets for the mill and overlay project will be put together next month. The design work for the street light project has started. Engineer Aakre recommends to increase the number of lights to order, that there should be 200 ft between the lights. Also, questioned whether to put the lights on Sunset Dr on the east side or the west side.

Water treatment plant:

- Sewer cleaning – on hold for Dakota Underground to come with an approximate time to fix the sewer repair on Riverbend Rd.
- Dalager received a water warning on the morning of Tuesday, July 18th, that the high service pumps were failing due to too much watering. All 3 wells have been running constantly for approx. 2.5 days. The city will need to start enforcing the water restrictions for existing yards. Auditor Fett to send out an email to the residents.
- Motion by Althoff, second by Triebold, to accept quote SIO2909474 from DSG for a new fire hydrant to replace the broken one on Sunset Dr. Motion carried. Dakota Underground to be contacted about doing the replacement.

Motion by Triebold, second by Schulz, to approve bills. Motion carried.

Motion by Schulz, second by Triebold, to approve financials. Motion carried.

Motion by Triebold, second by Schulz, to approve the preliminary budget for 2024 with the changes noted. Motion carried.

Discussion on the yellow plow truck – the truck cannot be put on consignment. Mayor Nyhof received a trade-in value from a co-op in Colfax for \$30k. The plow truck was purchased in 2019 from the City of Barnesville for \$51k. The council went back and forth on what to do with the plow truck and have decided, for now, to keep it so the streets can be sanded in a timely fashion.

A quote is to come in next week from Dakota Underground in regard to the storm sewer repair on Riverbend Rd. They will need to line up an asphalt contractor, proposing that the work will begin in Sept 2023. Mike Adams will allow traffic to go through his yard as long as his yard is returned to its original state once the project is completed.

Tree disposal area – branches are showing up in the compost roll-off weekly. Cameras are being reviewed. The council is working with legal council to determine the appropriate fine. The cost goes up 10 times the amount when there are items other than grass clippings and leaves dumped into the roll-offs because they must take the roll-off to the regular dump rather than the compost dump. The area by the pumphouse could be a location to start a tree disposal area but there isn't a lot of area to burn. Mayor Nyhof proposed the area at the toe of the levy on the west side of the SW pond. Access would come from S Schnell. A roughed in path would be created with clay and class five. Residents will be able to dump branches here but would not be allowed to burn. David Wood would oversee burning the pile.

Motion by Triebold, second by Schulz, to approve Quality Concrete to repair the curbs, that were damaged from snow removal, throughout the city. Motion carried.

Motion by Schulz, second by Triebold, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Adjourned at 7:46 pm.

Mayor Jim Nyhof

Stacey Fett – City Auditor