

April 1st, 2019

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Sidney City Council was called to order by Mayor Norby at 6:30 pm.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was stated by all present.
3. **ALDERMEN PRESENT:** Sergent, Rasmussen, Koffler, Gartner, Smith, and Christensen
4. **CORRECTION OR APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
 - a. **March 18th, 2019 Regular Council Meeting Minutes:** Motion was made to approve the minutes from the March 18th, 2019 regular Council Meeting by Alderwoman Sergent, and seconded by Alderwoman Christensen. With no corrections or changes, all present voted aye.
 - b. **March 18th, 2019 Closed Council Meeting Minutes:** Motion was made to approve the minutes from the March 18th, 2019 closed Council Meeting Minutes by Alderwoman Christensen, and seconded by Alderwoman Sergent. With no corrections or changes, all present voted aye.
 - c. **March 25th, 2019 Park and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes:** Motion was made to approve the minutes from the March 25th, 2019 Park and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes by Alderwoman Sergent, and seconded by Alderwoman Rasmussen. With no corrections or changes, all present voted aye.
5. **VISITORS:**
 - a. **Greta and Mike Seitz-North Meadow Flooding:** Mr. Seitz brought forward to the City Council about all of the issues they are facing in the North Meadow Subdivision, he stated that he wants to know if there is anything that the city can do to help them. PWD Hintz presented them with a map of the current flood plain and about the North Meadow drainage system. PWD Hintz said that the city was one step ahead of the flooding situation this year then what happen four years ago, he talked about maybe putting in a different size culvert but, with the current size culverts the city has up there we cannot contain all of the water. PWD Hintz also said that he will be going up to the courthouse to look and read into the annexations about north meadow, he is also checking on to see is FEMA will help out with some money as well. The city needs to figure out a way to have the water flow a different way, and with the home owners not filling in their culverts. PWD Hintz also mention that he would speak to the council about fixing the drainage this summer, he also wanted to say thank you for everyone who came out to help with the flooding, he was very impressed with how it all turned out. Alderwoman Christensen made a motion to move this to the water and sewer committee, Alderwoman Rasmussen seconded that motion. After no changes or further discussion, all present voted aye.
 - b. **Paul Kasten:** Mr. Kasten came forward to the council for the 3rd time about his neighbors not cleaning/maintaining their yards. He mentioned that the Larry Dill property there is scrap iron and a used crappy boat right in middle of the yard. City Attorney Kailah told Mr. Kasten that he has submitted all of the paperwork to the courts and just waiting for the response back. PWD Hintz told City Attorney Kailah that he would provide him with more information, City Attorney Kailah mentioned he would call the courts tomorrow morning and check on the status then inform Mayor Norby and PWD Hintz on what he found out. Mayor Norby said he would like for the city to be able to do something, whether that is taking home owners to court or, going to go clean up their yard then assess them on property taxes.
 - c. **Jason Schrader**
 - d. **Naomi Schrader**
 - e. **Shane Georgen- Troop #187**
 - f. **Nicholas Jorstad- Troop #187**
 - g. **Ben Kordonay- Troop #187**
 - h. **Elias Olvera- #187**
 - i. **Mark Delany- #187**
 - j. **Jordan Mayer- Interstate Engineering**
 - k. **Brian Ler**
 - l. **Amy Venn**
 - m. **Michelle Stagl**
 - n. **Al Stagl**
 - o. **Randy Jones**
 - p. **Lon Willer**
6. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Nothing
7. **MAYOR NORBY:**
 - a. **HB 656 and HB 773 Update:** Mayor Norby stated Alderwoman Christensen, Alderwoman Sergent, City Clerk/Treasurer Redfield and PWD Hintz all went up to Helena to testify on HB 656 and HB 773. Mayor Norby stated that both HB 656 and HB 773 passed the floor now it is off to the senate. Alderwoman Christensen was very impressed with how both bills were handle this session. Mayor Norby wanted to give a thank you out to everyone who has help with both of these bills.
8. **COMMITTEE WORK:**
 - a. **Park and Recreation Committee**
 - i. **Tiger Sharks Swim Team Park Use Agreement:** Alderwoman Rasmussen wanted to give the council an update about the swim team agreement, the swim team is talking about raising money in the near future to purchase a new deck at the pool.
 - ii. **Richland County Baseball Park Use Agreement:** Alderwoman Rasmussen wanted to inform the council that there will be no babe ruth or legion baseball this year because of the numbers are down. Teeball this year will be played at water tower Park, and moose Park will tried to be used more this year than in the past. The baseball agreement hasn't been signed and turned into City Hall yet, and no motion will be made at this time. PWD Hintz also said he mailed a copy of the new swim team agreement to George Bieble.
9. **ALDERMEN REQUESTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:** Alderwoman Sergent stated that she received a thank you card for all the hard work up in North Meadow Subdivision.
10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Nothing
11. **NEW BUSINESS:** Nothing
12. **CITY PLANNER SANDERSON:** Nothing
13. **CITY ATTORNEY:**

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- a. **Ordinance 576-Updating Ward Map-2nd Reading (tabled at the March 18th, 2019 meeting):** Mayor Norby asked to for a motion to un table the Ordinance #576 Ward Map, Alderman Smith made a motion to un table Ordinance #576 Ward Map. Alderman Koffler seconded that motion. After no further discussion, all present voted aye. PWD Hintz said he has been in contact with Mr. Sanders about the 2020 census, and that the population will need to be divided out by the wards. The county will also need the books updated from the city hall staff before the next election. Alderman Koffler made a motion to approve of the updated ward map, Alderwoman Rasmussen seconded that motion. Voting went as follows:

Ayes: Sergent, Rasmussen, Koffler, Smith, Christensen, and Gartner

Nays: None

Absent: None

- b. **Ordinance 577-Updating Chief of Police Code for allowing to live outside City Limits:** City Attorney Kailah read out loud Ordinance #577, Alderman Smith made a motion to approve of Ordinance #577. Alderman Koffler seconded the motion. Voting went as follows:

Ayes: Sergent, Rasmussen, Koffler, Smith, Christensen, and Gartner

Nays: None

Absent: None

14. CHIEF OF POLICE DIFONZO:

- a. **March 2019 Police Department Report:** Chief DiFonzo stated that his March Report will be provided at the next council meeting.

15. PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR HINTZ:

- a. **March 2019 Public Works Department Report:** PWD Hintz told the council that the city crew was still doing some snow removal but, it should be coming to a halt. And that there were a few sewer calls this month and one of them the city was at fault.
- b. **Waste Water Operator Job Description:** PWD Hintz mentioned he is looking for a full time qualified waste water operator, Alderwoman Christensen made a motion to approve of the job description for a waste water operator. Alderwoman Sergent seconded that motion, after no further discussion all present voted aye.

16. Fire Marshal/Building Inspector Rasmussen:

- a. **Fire Department Report-February 2019:** Not present

17. CITY TREASURER REDFIELD:

- a. **Update: will provide March 2019 Treasurer's Report and Journal Voucher Report at April 15th meeting**

18. CITY CLERK REDFIELD:

Consent agenda

- a. **GENERAL JOURNAL VOUCHERS:** to be reported and approved monthly
- b. **Claims to be approved: \$ 30,738.40**

2019-59	Bruce Harris	318 3 rd St NE	New Garage	L4-6, B35, Sidney Original
2019-60	Sidney High School	121 5 th St SW	Addition to BP 2019-16	High School Addition

19. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made to approve the consent agenda by Alderman Koffler, and Alderwoman Rasmussen seconded the motion. With no further discussion, all present voted aye

Meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

ATTEST:

MAYOR NORBY

CITY CLERK

DATE APPROVED