

# February 17, 2015

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Rick Norby at 6:30 pm.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was stated by all present.
3. **ALDERMEN PRESENT:** Sergent, Gilbert, Koffler, Gartner, Smith, Christensen
4. **CORRECTION OR APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
  - a. **February 2, 2015:** Motion was made to approve the minutes from the February 2, 2015 regular City Council Meeting by Alderwoman Sergent and seconded by Alderman Koffler. All council present voted aye.
5. **VISITORS:**
  - a. **TBID: Bryce Baker and Jessica Davies:** The TBID provided the City Council with report and next years budget. The collection of the TBID funds in currently under review with the TBID and City staff. Motion was made to approve the TBID 2015 budget by Alderwoman Sergent and seconded by Alderwoman Christensen. All council present voted aye.
6. **PUBLIC HEARING: Nothing**
7. **MAYOR NORBY:**
  - a. **Proclamation:** Mayor Norby read the Proclamation presented by the Catholic Daughters and presented them with a signed copy.
  - b. **Downtown Enhancement Project:** Mayor Norby asked that this be sent to the Budget and Finance Committee to discuss the budgeted funds. Motion was made by Alderman Koffler, and seconded by Alderman Gartner to send the Downtown Enhancement Project budget to Budget and Finance Committee. Alderwoman Gilbert asked where the funds were allocated from, and Mayor Norby stated that they were general funds. All council present voted aye.
  - c. Mayor Norby informed the Council that he and City Clerk Redfield attended the MonDak Energy Alliance meeting where he was voted as president of the board. He also thanked Alderwoman Gilbert and Jessica Davies from the Chamber of Commerce for attending.
8. **COMMITTEE WORK:**
  - a. **Water and Sewer Committee: Richard Dahl:** Alderman Smith informed the council that the Water and Sewer Committee met to discuss the request from Richard Dahl to help pay for the bill acquired in the replacement of the curb stop at his residence. It was the recommendation of the Water and Sewer Committee to follow City Code which states that the property owner is responsible for any improvements or fixes to beyond the water main.
  - b. **Water and Sewer Committee-Miller:** Alderman Smith stated that a property owner who had a leak asked the city for assistance with their bill, which was high due to water use. It was the recommendation of the Water and Sewer Committee to set up a payment plan for this bill with the property owner.
9. **ALDERMEN REQUESTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Alderwoman Sergent stated she received a Thank You phone call pertaining to the City Workers, DES, Fire Department, and volunteers for the North Meadow Flooding.
10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**
  - a. **Resolution of Intent to Annex – 3 Exempt Parcels**
11. **NEW BUSINESS:**
12. **CITY PLANNER HOW:**
  - a. **Blake Addition – Final Plat – Lot 1 & 2:** City Planner How stated that this is the Final Plat subdividing the land into 2 lots, and that all conditions have been met including off street parking. He recommends approval with stipulation that separate water and sewer hook-ups are provided for each lot. Motion to approve the Final Plat with the stated stipulation was made by Alderman Smith and seconded by Alderwoman Sergent. All council present voted aye.
  - b. **Meadow Village Subdivision – Amended Plat – Boundary Line Relocation:** City Planner How stated that this is an Amended Plat moving the boundary line location to make the lots square and match sunflower lane, and that it is his recommendation to approve. Motion was made to approve the Amended Plat of the Meadow Village Subdivision by Alderman Smith and seconded by Alderman Koffler. All council voted aye.
  - c. **Hillside Acres Subdivision Phase II – Amended Plat – Lot 2:** City Planner How stated that all conditions for this has been met and that it is his recommendation to approve. Motion was made to approve the Amended Plat of the Hillside Acres Subdivision by Alderwoman Christensen and seconded by Alderwoman Sergent. All council present voted Aye.
  - d. **Growth Policy Update:** City Planner How stated that Forrest Anderson, of KLJ, is hosting the planning board meeting to set the public hearing dates to approve the Growth Policy.
13. **CITY ATTORNEY NAVRATIL:**
  - a. **Resolution 3696 of Intent to Annex – 3 Exempt Parcels:** City Attorney Navratil read Resolution 3696 out loud. City Planner How stated that notification will go in the paper calling for annexation public hearing. All property owners in the areas being annexed will be notified specifically so they can attend the public hearing. Motion was made to approve Resolution 3696 Intent to annex the 3 exempt parcels by Alderman Smith, and seconded by Alderman Koffler. All council present voted aye.
  - b. **Resolution 3697- Water PER:** City Attorney Navratil read Resolution 3697 out loud. He stated that this is the resolution passing the Water PER that Engineer Pat Murtagh gave the presentation on previously. City Clerk Redfield stated that this Resolution does not approve the water rate increases, just the report itself. Motion was made to approve Resolution 3697 the Sidney Water PER by Alderwoman Christensen and seconded by Alderwoman Sergent. PWD Hintz stated that we need to pass the PER stating that we agree with the report given. All council present voted aye.
14. **CHIEF OF POLICE DIFONZO: Nothing**
15. **PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR HINTZ:**
  - a. PWD Hintz stated that he needs 3 items to go to the Water and Sewer Committee for discussion:
    - i. County Road 124 resident request to be connected to City Sewer
    - ii. Hi-Plains Vet Clinic request to be connected to City Sewer
    - iii. Hilltop Estates request to enter a payback agreement.Alderman Smith stated that the Water and Sewer Committee will meet Monday February 23, 2015 at 5:30pm to discuss these topics.
  - b. PWD Hintz stated that BNSF is having a meeting April 9<sup>th</sup> with MDT to discuss the cross arms and taking away the crossing at 3<sup>rd</sup> St, which he will attend.
  - c. PWD Hintz stated that the bills for the North Meadow flooding have started to come in, and that he would like to again thank everyone for their contribution.
  - d. PWD Hintz stated that he went to Helena to testify for HB 402, an infrastructure funding bill carried by House Speaker and Eastern Montana Native Austin Knudson, which would give \$55 million in infrastructure funding to the impacted areas.
  - e. PWD Hintz stated that he met with County PWD Russ Huotari who stated that they are trying to get some land issues cleaned up and then we will be able to purchase for the use of a storm water pond in the Wagon Wheel Subdivision.
  - f. **COMPLIANCE OFFICER MEAD: Nothing**
  - g. **FIRE MARSHAL GILBERT: Nothing**
16. **CITY TREASURER:**
  - a. City Clerk Redfield presented the council with a report from Treasurer Dey, asking for additional bills to be added to the claims to be approved for a total of \$4,083.70.

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17. CITY CLERK REDFIELD: consent agenda

- a. GENERAL JOURNAL VOUCHERS: e-mailed February 12, 2015
- b. Claims to be approved: \$ 41,705.46 + \$4,083.70 = \$45,789.16
- c. Building Permits to be approved:

Trust T Trucking

550 35<sup>th</sup> Ave NW

Manufactured home

Lot 18, Block 9, Wagon Wheel

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Alderwoman Christensen and seconded by Alderman Koffler. All council voted Aye.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:16 pm

ATTEST:

  
CITY CLERK

  
MAYOR NORBY

March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015  
DATE SIGNED