

Minutes of the April 8, 2013 City Council Meeting

The meeting of the Eureka City council was called to order on April 8, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Miller in the councilroom of the Municipal Building with the following present: Mayor Miller, Councilmembers Bertsch, Billotto, Goehring, Regula, Weisbeck and Finance Officer Ottenbacher. Also present was Linda Bergman with the Northwest Blade, Floyd Obenauer and Kent Mauck with Heartland Waste Management. Absent Ottenbacher.

A motion was made by Bertsch and seconded by Billotto to adopt the agenda with the following additions: Letter of Resignation, Rural Users and Landfill Use, Tim Dalton Dog License, Franchise Fee with Valley Telecommunications and the Snack Haven. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Prime Time Bar & Grill has requested an extended hours permit for July 6, 2013 and to host an outdoor dance featuring the II Amendment Band. A motion was made by Weisbeck and seconded by Goehring to allow the extended hours permit contingent upon following all city and state regulations with the outdoor activities. All voted Aye. Motion Carried. Gonska was not present.

Kent Mauck from Heartland Waste Management was present to discuss the current recycling and sanitation issues. He feels the transition is going well. Some commercial businesses feel they need a bigger dumpster. Some residents would like to have dumpsters and not be billed the regular monthly sanitation fees. The City has an ordinance stating that if you have water and sewer hookups you will have the sanitation fees.

Heartland Waste Management visited with A-1 Sanitation and Dependable Sanitation in regard to our recyclables. A-1 Sanitation currently will only take the cardboard and paper. Dependable Sanitation does not want to deal with recyclables at the present time. Transportation eats up all the profit that is made from recycling. There were different options discussed for recycling but was decided that the City will continue to recycle cardboard and paper only for a couple of months and see how it goes. **Absolutely no garbage can be in the recycling container and the compartments will be labeled for placement of items.** Boschee will notify Heartland Waste when the bin is full. The Lions Club will continue to collect aluminum cans. Heartland Waste Management is interested in the garbage truck for spare parts.

Wes Knoepfle would like to get a dumpster and eliminate his regular monthly sanitation fee. The City does have an ordinance in place that states if you have water and sewer hookups, you will have the monthly sanitation charge. Heartland Waste will rent out dumpsters during the hunting season to help with the extra garbage.

No police report was available as Deputy Scott Warzecha was absent.

Public Works Director Boschee was present for his monthly report.

Mounting a security camera to monitor the tree and compost pile was discussed. Valley Telecommunications will run the wire for the project and it will be accessible from the City shop. Boschee will get a quote for the monthly fee to run the camera, get a cost for the wiring and will check out the maintenance contract for the camera. A motion was made by Weisbeck and seconded by Bertsch to approve placing a camera to monitor the compost site and tree pile. A roll call vote was taken. Bertsch yes, Billotto yes, Goehring yes, Regula yes and Weisbeck yes. Unanimous vote. Motion Carried. Absent Ottenbacher. The Finance Officer will bring to the next meeting, an ordinance that will address items that can be deposited at the site and fines for violators.

Boschee is working with Montana Dakota Utilities to see how the power can be restored to the homes when the highway project is being completed.

The starting date for the highway construction project is tentatively set for May 15, 2013.

Valley Telecommunications will be putting in new fiber optic lines throughout the town. Boschee met with the engineer to review maps for the right-of-ways and the water lines around town. They are planning on putting the wire in the boulevards where there are water lines.

Dependable Sanitation was here on Friday March 29 and cleaned out the transfer station but did not close up the building properly. The recycling container was emptied and placed by the fire station. The City attorney has notified the City that Dependable Sanitation would give up any claim to the transfer building and let the city handle the building as it deems fit. A motion was made by Regula and seconded by Weisbeck to accept the transfer building from Dependable Sanitation. A roll call vote was taken. Bertsch yes, Billotto yes, Goehring yes, Regula yes and Weisbeck yes. Unanimous Vote. Motion Carried. Ottenbacher Absent.

The new compost bin will be moved a little further to the east and south to stay away from a manhole. The bin will be 18 feet wide by 26 feet long and 5 feet high. The tree pile will be directly to the east of the compost bin on top of a hill directly north of the salt sand.

Ottenbacher joined the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

Due to a legislative change fireworks can be sold from June 27 to July 5, 2013, but Eureka City Ordinance states that fireworks can only be sold from July 1 to July 4th at midnight. People park around the lake but never clean up when they are done. Boschee and Duquette will pull a dumpster over there this year and strongly encourage citizens to clean up after themselves.

Civil Defense sirens have to be switched over to radio frequency by April 1, 2014 because of Valley Telecommunications going to fiber optic lines. Boschee got a hold of Midstates Wireless and sirens will be switched over with the help of Todd Hieb with

Valley Telecommunications and Sheriff Ackerman. The one at the city park will not to be switched to the radio frequency but may be able to attach a box to it or it will need to be removed. Boschee will check into this.

Boschee and Duquette met with Helms and Associates to discuss the plans for the additional sewer lines, generators, lift station and the sewer lagoons. After reviewing the plans, one more block of sewer work will be added to the plans. The new block will be from 10th Street to 11th Street and parallel to G Avenue.

Easements will be needed for this property. The building east of town by the Oster farm will have air conditioning, a heating unit, and it will house the controls in the new building and will not go outside the fenced area.

The airport project is on the final close out phase. Muth Electric and Boschee adjusted the PAPI's and now have them sighted in. Test bores will be done on the runway in preparation for the asphalt with the new project.

It was suggested that the compost bin, tinning the roof of the bath house, tinning the roof on the round reservoir and the fixing of the panels in the men's bathroom at the park be bid out. The panels in the restroom at the park have been repaired by Weisbeck Construction at no charge to the City. A motion was made by Ottenbacher and seconded by Regula to advertise for bids for the new compost bin, tinning the roof of the bath house and tinning the roof on the round reservoir. A roll call vote was taken, Bertsch yes, Billotto yes, Goehring yes, Ottenbacher yes, Regula yes and Weisbeck yes. Unanimous Vote. Motion Carried.

Heartland Waste Management will be here Tuesday April 9, 2013 and they will clean out the transfer station and it will be boarded up.

There is a party interested in the scrap iron from the garbage truck. A motion was made by Weisbeck and seconded by Goehring to declare the truck as surplus and appraise it at \$1,500.00. A roll call vote was taken. Bertsch yes, Billotto yes, Goehring yes, Ottenbacher yes, Regula yes and Weisbeck yes. Unanimous Vote. Motion Carried. A motion was made by Weisbeck and seconded by Billotto to accept the offer of \$1500.00 for the sanitation truck from Heartland Waste Management. A roll call vote was taken. Bertsch yes, Billotto yes, Goehring yes, Ottenbacher yes, Regula yes and Weisbeck yes. Unanimous Vote. Motion Carried.

Surplus of garbage truck tires. No action was taken.

Surplus of recycling trailer. No action was taken.

A motion was made by Weisbeck and seconded by Regula to approve the minutes from March 11 and March 19, 2013 as presented. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Weisbeck and seconded by Ottenbacher to approve the financials as presented. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Bertsch and seconded by Billotto to approve the bills as presented. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

March Financials:

Finance Office - \$3,920.99, Gen. Gov't Bldgs. - \$114.43, Streets - \$1,560.95, Park - \$150.66, Library - \$669.52, Water - \$1,332.15, Sewer - \$678.27, Sanitation - \$4,559.22.

March Financials:

A & B Business Inc., office supplies - \$41.00, ACME, safety supplies - \$474.96, Bank of America, Amazon books - \$226.51, Bantz, Gosch & Cremer, L.L.C, attorney fees - \$87.50, Petty Cash, office supplies - \$13.46, Dakota Backup, computer backup - \$116.57, Dakota Country, fuel - \$1,220.00, Dakota Country, fuel - \$700.00, Dakota Supply Group, blue paint - \$91.26, Eureka Manufacturing, street repairs - \$133.72, Eureka Senior Center, donation - \$1,000.00, Evergreen Supply, cylinders - \$6.98, Fischer's Plumbing & Heating, element - \$18.90, Susan Fischer, books - \$117.41, Great Plains Bank, water ACH - \$13.80, Hawkins, chlorine cylinder - \$5.00, Ingerson Custom Welding, fixed gate at dump ground - \$34.00, JP Lumber, shop repair & maintenance - \$257.50, Doug Jensen, customer deposit refund - \$75.00, Kary's Service, tires - \$380.00, K & A Implement, LLC, supply - \$13.85, Ken's Food Fair, supplies - \$37.08, McPherson County Auditor, police contract - \$3,500.00, McPherson County Treasurer, fees for notices delivered - \$26.72, Lloyd Miller, mileage - \$76.22, Montana Dakota Utilities, utilities - \$4,230.56, Wayne Nehlich, customer deposit refund - \$75.00, Northern Plains, LP Gas - \$754.74, Northwest Blade, publications & advertising - \$534.48, Servall, office cleaning supplies - \$87.20, SD One Call, message fees - \$1.05, SD Public Health Laboratory, water samples - \$13.00, SD Retirement, retirement - \$1,231.18, SD Dept. of Revenue, drivers license - \$365.00, SD State Treasurer, sales tax remittance - \$534.83, SD Unemployment Insurance Division, unemployment insurance - \$86.13, SDML Workers Compensation Fund, payroll audit - \$294.00, SDML League, annual district meeting - \$100.00, US Postal Service, postal water bill mailing - \$500.00, Valley Telecommunications, phone utilities - \$292.68, Wellmark, health insurance - \$2,338.68.

April Financials:

FEM Electric, utilities - \$1,026.79, Great Plains Bank, payroll taxes - \$3,329.32, Great Plains Bank, water project - \$1,694.00, WEB Water, water utilities - \$4,057.56

The following applied for building permits: Dennis & Margie Walker, Darrin LaCoursiere, Kary Home Oil and Henry John Orth.

A motion was made by Goehring and seconded by Weisbeck to approve the building permits as presented. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

A sewer line located on the Jim Cantalope property will need to be replaced and an Easement is necessary to complete the project. A motion was made by Bertsch and seconded by Regula to have an Easement drawn up for 15' on the Jim Cantalope property contingent upon Jim Cantalope signing it. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Billotto and seconded by Ottenbacher to approve the Pay Request #2 for Helms and Associates. All vote Aye. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Regula and seconded by Weisbeck to approve Pay Request #5, Pay Request #6 and to approve the final closeout for the airport project. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

A letter of resignation from Shirley Rau effective April 30, 2013 was read by the Mayor. The Finance Officer was instructed to run an advertisement for her replacement in the paper. A motion was made by Regula and seconded by Billotto to accept the resignation and the City is very happy with Shirley's committed years of service. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Discussion on rural users and landfill use was discussed.

A motion was made by Goehring and seconded by Regula to go to the next step with Tim Dalton in regards to licensing his dogs. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Franchise fee with Valley Telecommunications was discussed. This will be tabled until the contract comes back up for renewal.

Snack Haven property was discussed. No action was taken.

The council will meet again on April 29, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. to review Janitor applications and to open advertised bids.

A motion was made by Ottenbacher and seconded by Regula to adjourn at 8:54 p.m. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Lloyd L. Miller - Mayor

ATTEST:

Bobbi Ottenbacher - Finance Officer