

The regular meeting of the Glendive City Council was held Tuesday, December 15, 2020. Mayor Jerry Jimison called the meeting to order with the following Council members present: Avis Anderson, Doug Baker, Leon Baker, Rhett Coon, Mike Dryden, Betsey Hedrick, and Gerald Reichert. Clyde Mitchell was absent. Department heads present included: John Hickman, Frank Ceane, Kevin Dorwart and Jacquie Silbernagel. Todd Opp was absent

Mayor Jimison opened the Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

L. Baker moved to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2020 regular Council meeting; second Coon and the motion carried.

Committee Minutes

Street Committee Report–

Wednesday December 9, 2020

Convene at 4:07 - 4:25 p.m.

Attending: Mayor Jimison, Council: Gerry Reichert, Avis Anderson, Rhett Coon, Mike Dryden, Betsey Hedrick; Press Hunter Herbaugh; Frank Ceane Public Works; Kevin Dorwart Financial; John Hickman, Police

1. California Street water drainage

Frank has not been able to make contact with the Manager of the Astoria Hotel so the matter has not yet been resolved.

2. Lincoln School Safety Committee

Rhett Coon and Frank Ceane discussed the matter with the School Safety Committee. Rather than make Valentine a one-way street, the plan is to re-route the school busses so they park on Taylor pointing south or Power Street pointing west. School officials will alert parents, students and teachers. For a time, the police have been asked to be a presence around the school at 7:30 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. when school lets out to be sure drivers and pedestrians are watching for children. Frank discussed various new signage to assist with speed limits and crossings. So the matter is well in hand.

3. BNSF Walking underpass maintenance.

Councilwoman Hedrick reported the graffiti is worse and now the lights are not working at all in the walking underpass.

Mayor Jimison made contact with Matt Jones who oversees Montana for BNSF. He said he was attempting to set up a maintenance agreement where BNSF would turn over the walking underpass to the City. The Street Committee will wait comment until we see the agreement, but the consensus at this time was not in favor.

Submitted: Avis Anderson

FUPR COMMITTEE 12/09/2020

ATTENDANCE

Mayor Jimison

Council Persons :A. Anderson, R. Coon, M. Dryden, G. Reichert

Dept. Heads: Operations Kevin Dorwart, **Police** Jon Hickman **Public Works** Frank Ceane

Media: **Ranger-Review**

Guests:

Duration: 4:21-4:58

AGENDA

1. **WTP Update:** Director Dorwart stated that siding for the WTP had been scratched and has since been replaced. The crew has been preparing for upgrading the WTP filter system.
2. **Dispatch Center Grant Application:** Chief Hickman requested permission to apply for a grant to update the Community 911 Dispatch Center's communication system to a digital processing system The grant could provide as much as \$350,000.00.
 - a. **ACTION: Fupr recommends Council approval of Chief Hickman's request for a 911 grant application.**
3. **WTP Change Order #5:** Director Dorwart brought Change Order # 5 to the FUPR Committee for its consideration. The change order, at a cost of \$50,590.00, would provide for the removal and replacement of the Backwash Pump and the concrete base.
 - a. **ACTION: FUPR recommends Council approval of change order #5 at an additional cost of \$50,590.00**
4. **Contract for City Lobbyist:** Mayor Jimison recommended a contract with Bob Gilbert to serve as a lobbyist for the City of Glendive in the 2021 MT Legislature. The contract calls for a payment of \$4000.00 and for the City to cover incidental expenses.
 - a. **ACTION: FUPR recommends Council approval of contract with lobbyist Bob Gilbert at a cost of \$4000.00 and to include payment of incidental expenses related to this contract.**
5. **Public Comment: None provided.**
6. **Closed session on potential City lawsuit (4:41): No action to report.**
7. **Meeting Adjourned: 4:58**
8. **Respectfully submitted Council member Dryden Ward III**

Amy Deitchler of Great West Engineering gave an update on the water treatment plant construction to the Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Jimison asked twice there was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Plat for Dorwart/Wagner Subdivision. Hedrick moved to approve the Plat for Dorwart/Wagner Subdivision; second by Dryden and the motion carried. Dorwart stated the three acres would be turned into 5 lots.

Approve Glendive Medical Center/Stinnett Amended Plat, lot line adjustment. Hedrick moved to approve the Glendive Medical Center/Stinnett Amended Plat, lot line adjustment; second by Coon and the motion carried.

Accept resignation of Darin Emmett as shop mechanic effective 12/11/20. Hedrick moved to approve accepting the resignation of Darin Emmett as shop mechanic effective 12/11/20; second by Anderson and the motion carried.

Permission to advertise for shop mechanic effective 12/16/20. Hedrick moved to approve permission to advertise for shop mechanic effective 12/16/20; second by L. Baker and the motion carried.

Approve grant application for 911 dispatch center for \$350,000.00. D. Baker moved to approve a grant application for 911 dispatch center for \$350,000.00; second by Dryden and the motion carried.

Approve Change Order #5 for water treatment plant in amount of \$50,590.00. Coon moved to approve Change Order #5 for water treatment plant in amount of \$50,590.00; second by Dryden and the motion carried.

Approve contract for lobbyist for 2021 Legislative session in amount of \$4,000.00. Dryden moved to approve the contract for lobbyist for 2021 Legislative session in amount of \$4,000.00; second by Hedrick and the motion carried.

Accounts Payable Claims: \$2,065,610.67. D. Baker moved to approve the accounts payable for: \$2,065,610.67; second by Coon and the motion passed.

DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS

Police- Chief John Hickman said Wilgos is back from the academy and Ewalt will be going in January. The speed sign on Snyder Avenue is working well. They are still working on the radio installation of the new patrol car. Some investigations are ongoing that are requiring more man hours. Hickman also gave an update on the dispatch center progress.

Operations- Kevin Dorwart submitted the annual report. He is working on prevailing wage and job descriptions. Dorwart also has an upcoming league of cities and towns meeting.

Public Works- Frank Ceane said the department has been shorthanded. They are moving cover dirt at the landfill. The crew finished cleaning up leaves in the City parks. Ceane said the street sweeper shipping has been delayed.

Recreation-Jacquie Silbernagel finished up Utah Jazz. They had 6 teams this year. Volleyball will finish next Sunday. The over the hill and fast break basketball leagues have been combined and will be finishing the season next week. Open gym hours have been extended as well.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

- Dawson County Board of Health update
- Salute to our Veterans
- Glendive 2021 Urban Allocation
- December 25- City Hall Closed
 - Community Christmas Dinner-EPEC
- January 1, 2021-City Hall Closed
- January 5, 2021-Next City Council Meeting

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- Ordinance Committee- Monday, December 21, 2020, 4:00 pm
- Personnel Committee- Monday, December 21, 2020, 4:15pm

L. Baker made a motion to adjourn the meeting; second by Reichert.

Dated this 15th day of December, 2020.

Approved the 5th day of January, 2020.

Jerry Jimison, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jessica Ayre, Administrative Clerk

