

Velva Regular Commission Meeting

May 26, 2020

7:00pm

Velva City Hall

Velva City Commission meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Commission President Jennifer Soli. Roll Call was done by Soli, Commissioners: President Jennifer Soli (Zoom), Dave Keller, Tom Foley, Ben Zietz and Mary Liz Davis (Zoom). Also in attendance: Alan Walter, Emma Lavachek, Kelly Jemtrud and Jenny Johns. Guests including: Heather Tudor (Zoom) Tom Bodine and Caroline Bodine. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MINUTES

Motion by Keller/Davis to approve the minutes from the May 11 City Commission meeting with change being made to minutes regarding bids on flooring (Tollefson's Contract flooring bid: \$8,231; Mike's Drywall and Construction bid: \$9,760). Roll Call: All-Aye. Motion carried.

PAYROLL & BILLS

Motion by Davis/Foley to approve the bills to be paid in the amount of \$33,709.77 and Payroll for \$13,134.71. Roll Call: All-Aye. Motion carried.

CITY OF VELVA, ND

Check Register for Peoples State Bank

Period	Check #	Vendor Name	Check Amount	Date Issued
5/20	-99736	VERENDRYE ELECTRIC COOP INC	\$ 1,333.34	05/27/20
5/20	34525	ACKERMAN-ESTVOLD ENGINEERING & MNGMNT CO	\$ 2,271.04	05/27/20
5/20	34526	ACME TOOLS	\$ 181.51	05/27/20
5/20	34527	BDS (VALLI)	\$ 104.87	05/27/20
5/20	34528	CIRCLE SANITATION	\$ 5,918.00	05/27/20
5/20	34529	CORE & MAIN	\$ 197.50	05/27/20
5/20	34530	FERGUSON waterworks #2516	\$ 21,600.00	05/27/20
5/20	34531	HEART OF AMERICA COMM SERVICE PROGRAM	\$ 500.00	05/27/20
5/20	34532	Kerry Wyche	\$ 14.38	05/27/20
5/20	34533	North Star Community CU- VISA	\$ 992.70	05/27/20
5/20	34534	SRT	\$ 383.62	05/27/20
5/20	34535	VELVA AREA VOICE	\$ 40.00	05/27/20
5/20	34536	VERIZON	\$ 172.81	05/27/20
		Total:	\$ 33,709.77	

GUESTS

Caroline and her father, Tom Bodine, were in attendance to ask for an acre of city property to plant an orchard for an FFA Grant of which they would like to apply. Caroline discussed several reasons why this would be beneficial to the City of Velva, including: benefits for future ag classes, donation opportunities and experience for FFA members. Mrs. Fannick from the school stated the trees that would be planted are approximately five

years old. Keller/Foley made a motion to search and offer an acre of land to the FFA members. Discussion ensued. Keller/Foley amended his motion to state that the City of Velva will create a lease agreement/resolution for an acre of city property for the FFA members to use as an orchard from 2020 to 2045. Roll Call: All-Aye. Motion Carried.

POLICE REPORT

Deputy Dewanz from the McHenry County Sheriff's Department was in attendance. Dewanz inquired about the 4th of July parade. Davis stated the parade has been cancelled, but they are still trying to plan something for that evening. Soli asked if Velva bars were in compliance with the ND Governor's social distancing standards. Foley had nothing further to report as Police Commissioner. Davis mentioned horse feces on the street. Soli stated she talked with Grant from attorney's office about the police contract. We will have to start over fresh with the contract and County Commissioners.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

ENGINEERING

Alan Walter and Emma Lavachek discussed the USDA grant application for loan forgiveness for the Goldade lift station and the Recreational park grant for up to \$200,000 to be used for the shared use path to golf course. Keller/Davis made a motion to pursue the recreational park grant. Roll Call: All-aye. Motion Carried. Johns and Lavachek will get together to compile paperwork to complete the USDA application.

REPORTS OF THE PRESIDENT/FINANCE COMMISSIONER

Soli had no business to discuss.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Water Commissioner: Zietz was not in attendance, but asked that Johns discuss the miscommunication with Ferguson waterworks and the installation process dilemma that has come up with the addition of an extra wire.

Street Commissioner: Davis and Soli asked that Jemtrud talk with the park board to determine a truck route to the park for the sand hauling for their volleyball pit. A street/curb painting timeline was discussed.

Cemetery Commissioner: Keller stated that the cemetery looked as good as it ever could have with the weather and the budget available.

Police Commissioner: No business to discuss.

AUDITOR

Johns presented the personnel policy manual for the commissioner's review. Soli made one correction under section 4.04 Overtime/Standby. Commission concurred to send it to the attorney for review.

Johns presented the mining application received from the county regarding aggregate construction, Feists and Swedlunds. Discussion ensued.

Johns stated that a public hearing will be held on Thursday, June 28th at 4:00pm, via Zoom and at City Hall to discuss the moving permit submitted by Mr. Anderson at the last meeting. Johns will send out the Zoom information ASAP.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/ASSESSOR

Johns discussed the building permit submitted by Tyler Erickson for a detached garage. The planning commission met at 6pm and the ordinance was discussed regarding setbacks on alleyways. The permit was tabled by the planning and zoning commission.

PUBLIC WORKS

Jemtrud stated that he will be street sweeping, getting ready to jet the sewer lines, mowing, preparing for curb painting, preparing to replace street signs and preparing for water meter installment.

COMPLAINTS

No complaint letters were discussed.

ADDITIONS

No additions to discuss.

ADJOURNMENT

Soli adjourned the meeting at 7:56 pm.

Next Commission Meeting will be Monday, June 8 at 7:00pm.

If you would like to be on the agenda in the future, the deadline is Thursday at noon before a meeting.

*****Minutes are subject to amendment and approval*****

Jennifer Soli
Commission President

Jenny Johns
Auditor