

## **MINUTES**

**April 23, 2012**

President Ken Fox called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, Monday, April 23, 2012, with the following present: Nathan Chilson, James McMullen, Kelly Jemtrud, Iris Swedlund, Brad Christenson, Mike Heisler, Yabo Gjellstad, Tony Selzler, Cindy Shattuck, Ivan Canevello, Carol Bickler and Dawn Lakoduk.

**Minutes:** Motion Thomas/Blotter to approve April 10 2012 minutes, carried.

**Agenda:** Motion Thomas/Blotter to approve April 23, 2012 agenda, carried.

### **GUESTS:**

**Brad Christenson/Ricky Maier:** Informed the commission he had a lot of damage done to his backyard during the flood. He also questioned the status of the levee repair because he didn't want to put a lot of money into fixing his yard if the corp. was coming back to fix the levee. The Commission asked Christenson if he could wait until June until we know more of the levee repair situation. Christenson requested some dirt fill for the ruts until repairs can be made.

**Roger Sundsbak:** Sundsbak submitted a bid to the commission to purchase subplot 592 of the NW ¼ SW ¼ , section 22, Township 22 153N 80W for \$300.00 per acre, total amount \$1,917.00 Motion Bodine/Larson to reject Sundsbak's offer, carried. Discussion was held putting this section of land out on bids, no action taken.

**Mike Heisler/Yabo Gjellstad/Tony Selzler-Fire Department funding for new Fire Truck:**

Mike informed the Commission that the Velva Fire Department would like to purchase a new fire truck and looking for financial help from the City. The purchase would be a new pumper truck to replace the rural pumper truck, and they would like to add new extrication equipment-etc. The new fire truck they are looking is a demo truck for \$242,000.00 Mike is unsure what the cost would be to the city. Bodine asked Heisler to come up with a plan on how to pay for this new truck, he wanted something more concrete, something in writing and asked Heisler to bring his figures to the May 28, 2012. Blotter suggested looking at what equipment might be available at the Minot Air Force Base and to look into more grants.

Heisler asked the commission if they would bring in some gravel and put on the North Side of the Baseball field.

### **Public Works:**

**Ackerman-Estvold:** Nathan informed the commission the bid letting for the levee repair will be May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012 with construction to start in June 2012. Fox signed the authorization form to construct the project with the Corp. Bodine has agreed to talk with Curt Feist regarding clay storage.

### **Jemtrud:**

Kelly and James McMullen (Temporary fill-in) removed the fence at the Old City Dump ground, Kelly contacted the First District Health Unit and no further fencing is required.

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#### **Sewer District:** (North end of 3<sup>rd</sup> St West Overvold Addition:

Carol has visited with Scott Wegner/Bond Council regarding the Sewer District. Scott Blotter and Paul Thomas to meet with Robert Goldade, Keith Cederstrom, Gerald Florence and James McMullen Friday April 27, 2012 at 7:00pm; Velva City Hall.

The Commission would also like to set up a conference call with Wagoner to discuss their questions and concerns of the sewer district, Bickler will set up the conference call for any day preferably after 3:30pm.

#### **New Business:**

2012 Spring Regional Meeting to be held in Garrison: Ken and JD are planning to attend meeting.

The new State Mileage reimbursemate rate is 55.5 cents per mile.

#### **Old Business:**

Clean up date has been rescheduled to May 18, 19 and 20 due to the inclement weather.

The City office has received complaints on the road to the tree dump area, however this is a township road and the township is responsible for maintaining the road. The Commission suggested if the citizens in that area would agree to annexation; the city would then look into taking care of the road.

#### **Building Permits:**

Bonnie Schweyen/Ben Whitsett-New Deck; South McHenry Soil Conservation District-Warehouse addition; and Star City Golf Course-addition to golf cart storage barn. Motion Bodine/Blotter to approve all building permits. Also building permits will be required for any temporary/permanent storage units- to include any canvass/hoop temporary buildings.

**Bills:** Motion Thomas/Larson to pay the following bills: Aggregate \$1,687.50; BCBS \$1,440.70; Carol Bickler \$272.21; Dawn Lakoduk \$40.76; Souris Basin Planning Council \$737.50 and Tim Moulton. Total \$4,218.67

**2012 Police Contract:** The commission discussed their concerns with the police contract. JD suggested if the county will not provide for a deputy to live in Velva as well as provide deputies for ordinance enforcement we might want to look into the possibility of our own Police Department. The Commission felt current city funding would be a problem, but agreed the main contract concerns are the lack of a deputy living in town and the lack of ordinance enforcement, both key elements of our law enforcement contract with the County. The City Commission also discussed attending the County Meeting agenda on May 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:30am.

**Next Meeting:** Monday May 14, 2012 7:00PM