**APPROVED CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Carrington was held Monday, June 10, 2024 at 7:30 PM. Mayor Thomas Erdmann presiding.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

The following members of Council and City Departments were present: Troy Roundy, Neil Fandrich, Chase Pederson, Tyler Hoggarth, Trygg Olson, Doug Smith, Abby Geroux, Jason Wolsky, Gary Jensen, and Jennifer Gast.

Absent: Chief of Police Bittmann and Attorney Ryan.

Also present: Linda Schuster and Leasa Lura.

A motion was made by Roundy, seconded by Olson, to approve minutes of the regular council meeting held May 13, 2024. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Pederson, seconded by Fandrich, to approve consent agenda items:

1. To ratify the following game of chance permits issued by the City Auditor: #1030 to Foster County 4-H Council for a raffle.
2. To approve the following game site authorization(s) from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025:
   1. Carrington Wrestling Booster Club at Headlocks.
3. To approve CCEDC’s request to hold the Annual Independence Day parade on July 4, 2024 at 5 pm on Main Street.
4. To approve the following 2024 Fireworks applications: Arlie Brandvold, Tyler Reisenauer/AT Fireworks, Joshua Sherman, and Chris Vettel.

All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Fandrich, to approve the street closure application from DK Freeman LLC for Ribfest on 9th Ave from Main St to 1st St S on September 14, 2024. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Hoggarth, to approve the street closure application from Laurie Dietz/Dennis Freeman for Central City Bash/Ok Tire Store Round Up Car Show on Main Street from 8th to 10th Ave on July 12 & 13, 2024. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Roundy, to approve the street closure application from Jay Bauer for August 1, 2024 on 1st St S from 9th to 10th Ave. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**FIRE DEPT:**

Assistant Chief Wolsky reported 2 calls since the last report, all of the new lights have been installed, and six attended NDFA convention at Devils Lake.

**FINANCE & LEGAL:**

Mayor Erdmann reported on quotes for the library parking lot, alleyways, apron near Central City Lumber, and water break spots were reviewed, reviewing city insurance policies allowing other agencies to review, NDPHIT will be reviewing the cities medical insurance, the 2020 & 2021 Audits were approved by the State Auditor’s Office, and will be getting a quote for upgrading office chairs at city hall and two bookcases, as long as they are within the $28,000 budget approved previously for office furniture.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Fandrich, to accept Austin March’s bid of $1,350 per year for a three year lease on the approximate 40 acres of hay land. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Roundy, seconded by Hoggarth, to approve up to $175,000 for concreting library parking lot ($79,000), paving two alleyways ($28,000 each), our cost share of water break spots ($17,500), and fixing the apron near Central City Lumber, and striping library parking lot, and gravel ($4,000) for 66th Ave from Hwy 200 up to the Pasta Plant. Fund 228 of $75,000 and Fund 316 of $100,000 will be utilized to cover these expenditures. The following voted in favor: Pederson, Roundy, Fandrich, Hoggarth, Olson, and Smith. Against: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Olson, to approve a three year lease with NDSU for 18 acres in the Industrial Park for $1,480 per year and to authorize Mayor Erdmann to sign. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**CCEDC:**

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Roundy, to approve the preliminary Job Credit Grant application from Gussiaas Electric LLP for one journeyman electrician and an apprentice electrician as per the grant guidelines. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Hoggarth, seconded by Pederson, to approve the Commercial Building Improvement Grant disbursement to KHLLC for $30,000. The following voted in favor: Fandrich, Smith, Olson, Roundy, Hoggarth, and Pederson. Against: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Pederson, seconded by Fandrich, to approve the preliminary Commercial Building Improvement grant application from Central City Wellness as per grant guidelines of 40% of project costs up to a maximum of $50,000 with disbursement of funds when all paid receipts are received. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Pederson, seconded by Smith, to approve a Carrington Uniting for Ukraine Sponsorship/Supporter Grant application from Randy Stedman sponsoring Illia Mikulich for $3,100. The following voted in favor: Roundy, Olson, Pederson, Hoggarth, Smith, and Fandrich. Against: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Hoggarth, to approve a Commercial Building Improvement Grant application from The Detail Guy (Marc Radke) to pay 40% of the project up to $50,000 as per grant guidelines. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Erdmann reported one grant to Callie Krause of Open Prairie Health was approved to fund 50% of her remodel project costs up to 50% with a maximum of $5,000 from CCEDC funds as the business will be located within Retzlaff Seed & Supply which is outside of city limits.

**AIRPORT:**

Councilman Fandrich reported they had met June 6th, went over lease termination with Mattern and cleanup items, a new lease was issued to Richard Slater, a spray pilot, and the ND Aeronautics Commission awarded a grant to the airport for a crack seal project this summer.

**POLICE:**

Councilmen Pederson reported they had met tonight, 274 Calls for Service in May, the Chevy and Ford pickups both had radiators replaced, the Tahoe needs some trim work on the door, Tahoe is waiting to get outfitted in Fargo, and Chief Bittmann passed firearms instructor course.

A motion was made by Pederson, seconded by Roundy, to increase the animal impound fee from $5 to $50 per day. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**TREE BOARD:**

Doug Smith reported the Tree Board is the recipient of two living trusts, Diana J Bly and Eugene Davidson, for $75,000 each to be used for tree planting only, 25 trees were ordered, and almost all are spoken for.

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

Councilmen Roundy reported they met and discussed ideas for improvement from the major rain event on June 4th, discussion on paving, mosquito spraying starts this week and will continue on Tuesday & Thursday evenings this summer, Sherbenske’s will be cleaning lift station’s #1 and #3 and cleaning the sanitary sewer by Rick’s Wholesale Tire and the Chieftain, the burn permit was approved by the State for the landfill, and the landfill inspection by the State resulted in some corrections needing to be made.

A motion was made by Roundy, seconded by Fandrich, to accept Travis Carr’s offer to purchase the schulte snow blower and sno go for $1,500. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Roundy, seconded by Olson, to make the 1995 green Chevy pickup available to employees to bid on since the value was determined to be less than $500. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**BUILDING OFFICIAL:**

Public Works Director Wolsky reported 6 building permits were issued, 1 demolition permit, and Planning & Zoning denied a variance application from the Foster County Fairboard.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Fandrich, to approve the committee reports as presented. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Pederson, to approve the bills as previously submitted and listed on agenda. The following voted in favor: Olson, Hoggarth, Roundy, Pederson, Smith, and Fandrich. Against: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Erdmann informed Council that he regretfully accepted Chase Pederson’s resignation from Council as he is moving outside of city limits.

There being no further business to come before the council a motion was made by Olson, seconded by Pederson, to adjourn. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 8:13 pm.

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