

City of Flaxton
Council Proceedings
Approved Minutes
August 6, 2019

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Mary Bjergaard @ 7:30 p.m. Present were council members Duncan DeMint and Tammy Halverson, Public Works Director, Barb Cron and City Auditor, Amy Ones. Also present were Calvin Kalmbach and Pat Christensen. Absent was council member, Shawn Kalmbach.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Auditor Ones indicated that Midwest Assistance Group will be conducting a door-to-door visit for those residents who have not yet completed the income survey to determine Community Development Block Grant eligibility for the city. The survey information needs to be remitted to the Souris Basin Planning Council no later than September 6, 2019.

Motion D. DeMint, second T. Halverson to approve the July 2, 2019 meeting minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion D. DeMint, second T. Halverson to approve the financial reports and bills as presented. All in favor, motion carried. Overdue utility accounts were reviewed.

Motion T. Halverson, second D. DeMint to approve the 2020 City of Flaxton preliminary budget as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

B. Cron presented the Public Works Report. Total hours worked were 48.50 hours for the month of July. B. Cron provided a detailed daily activity report of work completed for council review. A representative from the NDDOH re-visited the landfill to discuss the previously documented deficiencies and noted that as long as continuous improvements are being made to correct the deficiencies that would be satisfactory. B. Cron also reported that a representative from the ND Department of Environmental Quality conducted a routine inspection of the city's water and wastewater facilities on 7/31/19.

B. Cron stated that the estimate to repair the clutch in the city pickup was \$1,700.00. Discussion was held on purchasing a new "used" city pickup.

The chip seal project on Railway Street is scheduled to take place on August 13th & 14th with street marking scheduled for August 23rd. D. DeMint will visit with the Burke County Road Foreman to discuss the street repair at Railway Street & Davis Avenue and how the city should proceed.

Motion D. DeMint, second T. Halverson to authorize a budget of \$2,000.00 for tree removal on 2nd Street and the city park with Ragle Stump Service to complete the work. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion T. Halverson, second D. DeMint to approve the estimate from Fire Equipment Company for new extinguishers, servicing existing extinguishers and (3) first aid kits. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion on certifying the special assessments to the County Auditor was tabled.

Motion T. Halverson, second D. DeMint to schedule the 2020 City of Flaxton budget hearing for Tuesday, October 1st at 7:30 p.m. at city hall. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion D. DeMint, second T. Halverson to authorize Auditor Ones to transfer \$200,000.00 from the general fund checking account to the cash reserve certificate account. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion was held on nuisance properties due to various violations. Motion D. DeMint, second T. Halverson to authorize Auditor Ones to mail nuisance letters regarding mowing and allowing property owners (2) weeks to abate the nuisance from the date of first mailing. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion D. DeMint, second T. Halverson to authorize Mayor Bjergaard to sign the Main Street ND Proclamation as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

No comments were received regarding the NDDOT US Hwy 52 passing lanes for Burke, Renville and Ward counties.

Motion T. Halverson, second D. DeMint to authorize use of the Memorial Hall to Dawn Roness on August 18, 2019 and Bernice Larson on September 1, 2019. All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Next meeting Tuesday, September 3, 2019 @ 7:30 p.m. at the Flaxton City Hall.

Approved Bills:

#8811 B. Cron	738.80
#8812 A. Ones	1,330.25
#8813 D. Peterson	778.05
#8814 Void	0.00
#8815 BC Tribune	609.24
#8816 Circle Sanitation	632.00
#8817 Dacotah Insurance	13.00
#8818 FDHU	25.00
#8819 Furuseth Olson & Evert	52.50
#8820 Gustafson Septic Service	120.00
#8821 Hawkins	229.94
#8822 Kenmare FU Oil	23.35
#8823 Lignite Oil	438.71
#8824 Lucy Trucks	1,983.00
#8825 MDU	1,248.17
#8826 NCC	194.18
#8827 ND League of Cities	215.00
#8828 Cardmember Services	479.62
#8829 B. Cron	74.19

City Auditor, Amy Ones

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