

## **APPROVED CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Carrington was held Monday, August 14, 2023 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, Tyler Hoggarth, Doug Smith, Abby Geroux, Jason Wolsky, Christopher Bittmann, and Jennifer Gast.

Absent: Councilmen Pederson and Olson, and Attorney Ryan.

Also present: Linda Schuster and Karen Evans.

Mayor Erdmann informed Council that Chief Bittmann rescinded his resignation on August 9, 2023 and the Mayor and Police Committee accepted.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Hoggarth, to approve minutes of the regular council meeting held July 10, 2023 and special meeting minutes from July 27, 2023 and August 2, 2023 with a correction to the date of the July 27, 2023 minutes. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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

- a. To ratify the following game of chance permits issued by the City Auditor: #1007 to Friends of Kvamme's for a raffle and #1008 to Sykeston American Legion for a calendar raffle.
  - b. Request from Foster County Soil Conservation District to use the armory as a backup location for Eco Ed Day on September 6, 2023 from 9 am to 3 pm.
- All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Fandrich, seconded by Smith, to approve revised policies 2.12 Training & Development and 4.06 On Call Time. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made at the July 10, 2023 meeting and a second was made by Hoggarth, to have the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and passage of Ordinance 278, an ordinance granting a franchise to Daktel Communications, LLC, D/B/A Dakota Central Telecommunications of Carrington, ND. The following voted in favor: Fandrich, Hoggarth, and Smith. (Roundy abstained). Motion carried.

A motion was made by Roundy, seconded by Fandrich, to add the endorsement for equipment breakdown coverage from NDIRF for one year. The following voted in favor: Hoggarth, Smith, Fandrich, and Roundy. Against: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Roundy, seconded by Fandrich, to contribute \$300,000 from Fund 218 toward lowering 14-1 Special Assessments for taxable year 2023. The following voted in favor: Smith, Roundy, Fandrich, and Hoggarth. Against: None. Motion carried.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **FIRE DEPT:**

Assistant Chief Wolsky reported 3 calls on the rural side. There is a new fire marshall stationed in Jamestown. Wolsky stated commendations to Officer Kapp and the Police Department on National Night Out for including the fire department. 25 year open house celebration went well.

A motion was made by Fandrich, seconded by Smith, to allow the Haunted House/Lions group to utilize the armory free of charge. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Fandrich, seconded by Roundy, to allow a benefit for Carol Sherman in the armory on November 3, 2023 free of charge due to Mike Sherman's involvement with the fire department. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**FINANCE & LEGAL:**

Mayor Erdmann reported on Garrison Diversion/ Red River Valley Water Supply project, financials were reviewed, and utility liens were discussed.

**CCEDC:**

Mayor Erdmann reported there are no funding requests this month.

**AIRPORT:**

Councilman Fandrich reported they met last Thursday with light repairs and paint issues in the new hangar, approved 2024 Budget, and ND Aeronautics inspected the airport in June and passed inspection.

**POLICE:**

Mayor reported that Councilman Pederson will be the Chairperson of the Police Committee, still short staffed one Officer, service calls for the month were 227, traffic and ticket revenue is down for the year and discussed enforcement.

**TREE BOARD:**

Smith reported Sherman's were awarded the bid for the 2023 removal project.

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

Councilman Roundy reported on tonight's meeting. Kelly Hagel and Travis Dillman were present. Westside water expansion is going to be moved over to the west side with permitting getting taken care of and hopefully another bore attempt in September. Jason is working with Dean Pennington on a cost share for paving for a water line repair as well as getting a quote for other pavement replacement from water breaks. A storm drain will be repaired by the football field. State inspections were completed on the landfills with the lime landfill passing with the inert/old landfill requiring corrective actions due to the state. Citywide cleanup days will be held September 21-23. Jason will be working on the specifications as the lease for the blade will be coming up. Interstate has not set the elevations yet on Kelly Hagel's property as the pins seem to disappear and they will coordinate a time for both parties to be there.

**BUILDING OFFICIAL:**

Wolsky reported that 8 building permits and 1 moving permit were issued.

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

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

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

Adjourned at 8:05 pm.

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Jennifer Gast, Auditor

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Tom Erdmann, Mayor