

CITY OF REPUBLIC

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES Monday, October 21, 2024

Those Present:

Council:

Mayor: Gabe Becklin, Council Members: Liz Stinson, Marty Rugo, Mari

Jo Olsen, Eric Hulse and Jim Burnside

Employees: Clerk-Treasurer Nick Olsen, Deputy Clerk Robyn Turcotte, Public Work

Director/Building Official Todd Cole.

Meeting Called to Order:

Roll Call: All present

Agenda Approval:

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion by Marty, seconded by Liz.

Consent Agenda:

- Review Minutes for October 7, 2024
- Review Special Meeting Minutes (Budget) October 8,2024
- Review Special Meeting Minutes (Personnel Policy) October 8,2024
- Review Special Meeting Minutes (Pacific Security) October 21,2024
- Review payroll check #'s & Benefit's EBT amount -4370-\$831.15
- Review accounts payable check #'s & amount 65371-35385-\$232,196,90
- Review County Transmittal- \$4,707.16

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion by Mari Jo, seconded by Liz.

Public Comment:

Emily Burt- Emily gave update on the meeting that the Friends of Library have been attending. Emily presented the Candidate for Recommendation for the Owner Rep they would like to hire Tuner Townsend & Erie

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion by Mari Jo to accept the Friends of the Library Owners representative recommendation, seconded by Eric.

Correspondence: No Correspondence

Old Business: No Old Business

New Business: No New Business

Ordinances / Resolutions: No Ordinances / Resolutions

Department Head Reports

Ray Maycumber-

- Resignation: Heimbigner has resigned and will be leaving at the end of October.
- Hiring Process: Ray has contracted with a local service to conduct background checks for new hires.
- Call Volume: Calls are declining as hunting season comes to a close, allowing the department to catch up on backlogged calls.
- Union Negotiations: Negotiations have started and are off to a positive start

Todd Cole- Building Inspector- Todd reported on the following:

- Updates on open building permits
- New water and sewer connection have been made for Fat Guys.
- He reported he helped read meters last week.

Nick Olsen – Clerk-Treasurer- Nick reported on the following:

- Upcoming public Hearing on 2025 Water & Sewer Rates
- Pickleball group paid \$2500 as promised
- Patterson Park Retaining Wall
- Grant offer from Ferry County to buy new city garbage cans with 75% funding.

Motion: Unanimous approval for up to \$1000 for new garbage cans after motion by Jim, seconded by Mari Jo.

Mayor/ Council Reports:

Gabe Becklin- Gabe reported the following:

- VCF would like to donate playground equipment to city parks
- Proposed slip tank purchase for diesel in case of power outages.

Liz Stinson- Liz inquired about the following:

- Small Town Business Lighting is November 30 and would like to have all holiday decorations up by then.
- Inquired about fixing a light pole on Erdman Street.

Eric Hulse- Eric reported the following:

• Ferry County Housing Authority is still looking into the city involvement on the board.

Motion: The meeting adjourned at 5:55 PM following a motion by Liz, seconded by Mari Jo.

ATTEST:

GABE BECKLIN- MAYOR

ROBYN TURCOTTE- DEPUTY CLERK