

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
PUBLISHED SUBJECT TO THE GOVERNING BODY'S REVIEW AND REVISION

A regular meeting of the Beach City Council was called to order by Mayor Walter Losinski on March 20, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Present when the meeting was called to order was City Council Nick Hegel, Tom Marman, Lynn Swanson-Puckett, Sarah Ross, Bev Wolff, Andy Zachmann, Public Works Superintendent Randy Dietz, City Auditor Kimberly Gaugler, Sheriff Dey Muckle, guests Joanna Jenkins, Nathan Berseth and Gary Howard.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken. All members were present.

Mayor Losinski called for any additions or corrections to the agenda. Gaugler requested adding the Planning Assistance Reimbursement Rebate Contract with ND Department of Environmental Quality. Wolff moved to approve the agenda with the addition, second by Swanson-Puckett. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes

Minutes of the meeting on March 6, 2023 were presented. Hegel moved to approve the minutes, second by Zachmann. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff's Report

Sheriff Dey Muckle provided a written report for the month of February consisting of 50 calls, 6 citations and 1 written warning.

Public Works Report

PWS Dietz reported much of the past two weeks has been spent on snow removal. Dietz is pursuing options to improve or eliminate the ice build-up on Main Street between Central Avenue and First Avenue SE.

Auditor's Report

Gaugler reviewed her written report. Gaugler reviewed the financial statement for the month of February. Zachmann moved to approve the financial report, second by Ross. Motion carried unanimously.

Engineers Report

Engineer Klein's written report was reviewed. Projects being worked on include; 2023 Street & Utility Improvements – Preliminary Engineering Report, Beach Dam Rehab, Renewal of the Quiet Zone, and Gazebo Park Vision Project.

Committee Reports

Park Board – Ross reported the Park Board met on March 15th. Summer employment applications are being accepted. One of the Beach HS Classes suggested officially naming all the parks. Name suggestions are being taken under consideration.

Zoning – Ross reported the Zoning Board met this morning. A couple of Applications for Building are in process but have not been returned for review.

New Business

Joanna Jenkins representing Bank of the West provided information on benefits of the Bank at Work Premier Program. CD rates for 6, 9 and 12 months were also reviewed.

Nathan Berseth representing Bell Bank provided information on benefits of the Insured Cash Sweep Program. Mayor Losinski requested Swanson-Puckett and Hegel review both the Bank at Work Premier Program and the Insured Cash Sweep Program and provide a recommendation at the next meeting.

Correspondence was read from ND Insurance Reserve Fund regarding the 2022 annual report. NDIRF did not file a general rate increase so most members' rates will not increase in 2023. Conferment checks will not be received in 2023.

A Notice of Increase in Real Estate Assessment was received for two suites in the mini mall. One suite increased 23.64% and the other 23.81%. The Board of Equalization meeting is scheduled for April 3rd at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center.

The Planning Assistance Reimbursement Rebate Contract with ND Department of Environmental Quality was presented. Maximum reimbursement of \$15,000 up to 80% of the total eligible PAR report costs, for each drinking water and wastewater programs, and \$18,173 for televising and cleaning costs. City's cost share is \$7,500. Zachmann moved to approve the contract, second by Wolff. Motion carried unanimously.

No other business was brought forward. Wolff moved to adjourn, second by Ross. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Walter Losinski, Mayor

Kimberly Gaugler, City Auditor