

**City of Hill City**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
**April 14, 2015**

**1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance**

- A. Mayor Baker called the meeting or order at 6:00 pm
- B. Every joined in the Pledge of Allegiance
- C. The following persons were present: Mayor Baker, Council Members Dave Lange, Audrey Baratto, Nate Rollins, and Tina Haugen.

Staff Present: Tami Meyer, George Casper, Jeremy Nelson, and Mike Boleman.

**2. Consent Agenda**

Council member Rollins asked how many people were using Credit Cards and if it could be put on the website. Deputy Clerk Meyer and Council Member Haugen stated that at last months' meeting Clerk McManigle gave a report on the usage and that it has increased with each month. Deputy Clerk Meyer said that yes it could go on the web page but she would need to find out how to do it and would need assistance doing it. Council member Rollins said he would help. There was a second to approving the consent agenda. Motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

**3. Public Forum**

- A. Kristian Myers, Woodland Insurance, presented the council with an insurance renewal update. The City's loss prevention has been great. Rates this year should stay about the same. Council member Haugen asked how much insurance would be for non-motorized watercrafts. Mr. Myers said he will look into it and let us know.

Motion made by Rollins not to waive the monetary limits of \$500,000.00 per person/\$1,500,000.00 per incident of municipal liability, second by Baratto. Motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

- B. George Casper presented the council with the 2015 Water Improvements Project from SEH. The project includes looping the watermain on Pquadna from Alice Street to Pine Street and abandoning the watermain on Gill Street from Stoner Ave to highland Ave. The Engineer's opinion of cost for the project is \$73,900.

Motion made by Rollins to approve the project and to put out for bids, second by Lange. Motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

- C. Scott and Deanna Solie were present to give an update the Shorewood property. Scott, Deanna and Jim Christensen, from the Northhome's, are in the process of purchasing Shorewood. They want to turn it into a camp for under privileged kids. Currently, they are waiting on the County for a Conditional Use Permit.

#### **4. Additions or Corrections Agenda**

Council member Rollins stated that Brian Bauerly may be coming later in the meeting to talk to the Council about the Quadna golf course.

#### **5. Reports:**

##### **A. Maintenance/Water/Sewer/Parks/Airport/Streets**

- Head Maintenance/Public Works, George Casper, reported that they got the tin for the shop and have started putting it up.
- Everything in the water department is going good. They had a compliment on how good the water is now after making the changes in the pumphouse.
- There was one sewer backup about 2 weeks ago, the main was frozen but they got it taken care of.
- The Maintenance Dept. will start cleaning and painting the bathhouse next week. It will be open for the opening of fishing on May 9<sup>th</sup>.
- All the brush cutting got done at the airport, without renting anything and the Fire Dept. did the annual burning.
- Casper would like to put bids out for Class 5 again. He would like Councilmember Lange to go look at the current pile to estimate how much we will need.
- Council Member Rollins asked when the Trail Project from last year was going to start. Casper said he wasn't sure but would contact Bob Beaver to find out.

#### **Public Forum cont.**

April is National Donate for Life Month. Laurie Holm did a presentation on her daughter Riley's experience of having a liver transplant. Riley was diagnosed when she was just a couple of months old with a rare liver disease. Riley had multiple surgeries and hospital stays during her young life. Riley had her transplant when she was approximately 2 years old. She is now a healthy and happy. So please become a donor. Mayor Baker presented Riley with a Mayoral Proclamation.

Phil Gerber asked the council to approve a build permit for his business Northland Hydraulic. The permit is for a 30' x 80' x 16' addition to the existing building. Council member Baratto asked about the wetlands, the County did come and look at it and everything is good. Motion made by Rollins to approve the building permit, second by Haugen. Motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

Northland Hydraulics' account was incorrectly set up at the time they opened. Due to this they have been over charged. Motion made by Rollins to refund Northland Hydraulics back to April 2004, second by Haugen. Motion carried with all members present voting in favor. Deputy Clerk Meyer will also be checking all accounts to make sure they are all set up properly.

## **Reports cont.**

### **B. Fire Dept.**

Fire Chief Nelson said that it has been quiet. The Fire Dept. would like to do some updating in the fire hall, painting, new lockers, shelving and a workbench. The annual Certification of the trucks will be done later this month or the first part of next month.

Motion made by Baker to preapprove the purchase of the lockers and paint not to exceed \$11,000.00, second by Baratto. Motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

The motor on the water pump on Unit 4 isn't working correctly. Since the motor and pump are approx. 20 years old, Fire Chief Nelson will check on prices for a new motor and pump and bring to the next meeting.

The Fish Fry is on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at the Fire Hall from 5 – 7 pm.

### **C. Police Dept.**

There is no report from the Police Dept.

### **D. Mayor**

Mayor Baker stated that everything is running smoothly and great job everyone. He has had compliments on the roads.

### **E. Clerk**

There is no report.

### **F. Council**

Council member Rollins asked that the minutes get put on the website, the last ones on there are from November 2014. Deputy Clerk Meyer will get them on the website. Council member Rollins also asked about the Banyon Accounting and Payroll system and if they are up and running. Council Member Haugen stated we need to set a deadline as to when it needs to be done by, she also asked who is to be doing. It was decided that Clerk McManigle was to be working on it. Motion made by Rollins to have both the accounting and payroll programs up and running by the next council meeting, seconded by Lange. Motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

### **G. 1<sup>st</sup> Responders**

It has been quiet. There is an Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) class starting June 2<sup>nd</sup> at Meds 1, if anyone is interested please contact Jim at Med's 1 at 326-0020.

### **H. Committees**

No committee reports

## **6. Old Business:**

### **A. Park Attendant**

Tammy Root was the only application turned in for the Park Attendant position. Motion made by Rollins to hire Tammy as the Park Attendant, second by Haugen. Motion carried with all members present voting in favor. Council Member Haugen will contact Tammy and let her know.

### **B. Park Expenses/Revenues**

- Deputy Clerk Meyer explained that this was for all the parks not just the Hill Lake Park.
- C. Reservations for Campground  
Motion made by Rollins to start taking reservations for the 14 RV sites in at the Hill Lake Park and to approve the welcome to the park and campground rules and regulations with a map added to the back, second by Haugen. George Casper asked about possible getting WiFi at the park. Deputy Clerk will check into this.

**7. New Business:**

- A. Quadna – lodge, motel, and campground sewer bill  
Tabled until the next meeting
- B. First Call Info & Referral  
Tabled until the next meeting. Ask the Attorney if we can legally donate to this. Deputy Clerk Meyer is to contact Cre Larson about attending the next meeting.

**Public Forum cont.**

Brian Bauerly gave an update on the Quadna Golf Course. Last week Curt Cluff stated that he was not going to open the course up this year. The thought is to buy the golf course via selling shares. Looking for support from the City and thought on how the City can contribute either physically or financially. Possible using the youth employment through the County. Would like a path/trail for golf carts to use to get to town. The council asked Deputy Clerk Meyer to find out about getting some kind of trail from Quadna to Hill City for golf carts and ATVs to use.

Motion made by Rollins to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 pm, second by Lange. Motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

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Tami Meyer, Deputy Clerk

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Larry Baker, Mayor