

City Council Meeting  
March 6, 2023

The City Council met at 6:00 PM at Oakes Community Center with the following members present: Council: Bagley, Harris, Day, Hernandez-Waite, Bakke and Mayer. Mayor O'Brien. Employees present: Lee Bredeson, Dan Brandner, Jason Paradis, Matthew O'Brien and Zasha Johnson. Visitors present: Brandon Reber.

Minutes, Auditor and Court Reports: Bakke moved, Day second to approve minutes, police report and auditor reports, carried.

Game of Chance Permit: Bakke moved, Bagley second to approve game of chance permits as listed, carried.

1. Oakes Archery – Raffle
2. Oakes Hospital Foundation – Raffle Board
3. Oakes Enhancement – The Last Shot Site Authorization

Bills: Bakke moved, Hernandez-Waite second to approve bills as presented, carried.

Agtegra	39.00	American Welding & Gas	39.83
Avid Hawk	200.00	Balco Uniform	68.00
Chris Larson	45.00	Code Services	12148.62
Computer Express	200.00	DRN	869.08
Economy Propane	1,025.70	Fabian Pest Control	105.00
Hawkins	288.83	Jamestown Communications	100.00
Jane Demoray	225.00	John Andrus	100.00
Kustom Machine	73.05	Moore Engineering	8,205.00
Nathan O'Brien	770.00	One Call	10.40
ND Sewage pump	1000.00	NDPERS-Ins.	16,465.43
NDPERS-Retirement	7,458.55	OEI	13,127.74
Oakes Times	53.23	Oakes Truck & Trailer	844.60
Ottertail	8,068.33	Paradis Law	500.00
Pat O'Brien	249.00	Rod's Cleaning	80.00
Sanitation Products	262,300.00	Starion Bank	2,407.04
Sweets & Stories	74.79	Visa-Library	326.19
Visa-City	296.97	Vistos	72.35
Waste Management	6,153.30		
Salaries	11,283.66	Payroll Taxes	49,551.90

Committee Reports:

*Streets*, public works crew has been doing a good job on snow removal, several compliments and thanks have been received. *Garbage*, have received reports of household trash being thrown in cardboard dumpsters, will remind residents this is prohibited. The new garbage truck is in Fargo, Bredeson is working with them to schedule a delivery date. *Police*, new patrol vehicle is here and all equipment installed. Officer Toepke is attending intoxilyzer training, once completed all four officers will be certified for operation. Congratulations to Chief O'Brien and family; they welcomed a baby boy recently. *Drainage*, Dakota Improvement inquired if the City would like their assistance on opening drains when the thaw begins, will confirm this with them. It was discussed to develop a spring thaw/drainage protocol to follow each year as it can occur quickly and things sometimes get overlooked or forgotten. *Public Works*, Brandner has agreed to move into the City Supervisor role, Bakke moved, Bagley second to appoint Daniel Brandner as City Supervisor, carried.

New Business:

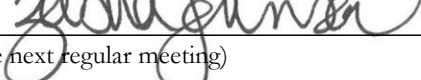
A property tax abatement request was received for the property located at 206 S 10<sup>th</sup> Street. After discussion and explanation from the city attorney Bakke moved, Harris second to deny the abatement request, carried. Samantha Meehl has earned her Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest Girl Scout Honor. Bakke moved, Day second to approve resolution honoring Samantha Meehl, carried.

Announcements & Correspondence:

Quandt Water Appropriation notice was received.

Engineer Report: Reber has completed the funding application for the Lead Line Survey required by the state. Bakke moved, Day second to approve resolution authorizing application to be submitted, carried. Reber joined the meeting via Teams and provided estimates for three street project options which can be used to submit information to the public and conduct a survey. The water treatment plant study is complete, Reber will meet with the water committee to review the findings before presenting to full council.

Bakke moved, Bagley second to adjourn the meeting at 6:56PM.

MAYOR \_\_\_\_\_ ATTEST  \_\_\_\_\_  
(minutes subject to correction and approval at the next regular meeting)