

City Council Meeting
July 7, 2021

The City Council met at 6:00 PM at Oakes Community Center with the following members present: Mayor: O'Brien, Council: Bagley, Schaefer and Bakke. Employees present: Matt O'Brien, Pat Nelson, Darrick Nitschke, Jason Paradis, and Zasha Johnson. Visitor present: Arthur "Bain" Strutz Jr.

Minutes, Auditor and Court Reports: Bakke moved, Bagley second to approve minutes, auditor reports (cash balance, expenditures, revenues, tax income & journal entries) and police department report, carried.

Building Permit: Bakke moved, Schaefer second to approve building permits as listed, carried:

1. Maddock, Concrete Pad, Lot 4 Blk 1 Reko 2nd Addn
2. Maley, Fence, S 1/2 Of Lot 5 & All Of Lot 6 Blk 13 McCarthy's Addn
3. Domine, Demo House, Lot 1 Blk 29 WTL

Game of Chance Permit:

Bagley moved, Bakke second to approve the American Legion Site Authorization, carried
Bakke moved, Schaefer second to approve the K. Boe Quandt Raffle application, carried

Special Event Permit: Bakke moved, Bagley second to approve special event permits as listed, carried.

1. Angry Beaver Lodge, June 11, 2022 Street Dance, Back parking lot
2. Angry Beaver Lodge, June 12, 2022 Street Dance, Back parking lot

Bills: Bakke moved, Schaefer second to approve bills as listed, roll call approved:

Agtegra Coop	906.63	American Legion	500.00
Aqua Pure	400.00	Arthur Strutz Jr.	260.00
Avid Hawk	200.00	B&B Gardens	225.45
Chad's Electric	84.00	Chandler Helgerson	106.93
Chris Larson	540.00	City of Fargo	28.00
Colonial Life Ins.	111.66	Computer Express	200.00
Corner C Store	710.23	Dahlstrom Funeral Home	175.00
Dakota Improvement	800.00	Dakota Valley Electric	231.00
Dickey Rural Com.	829.50	Domine Sales & Service	46.10
Economy Oil	588.09	Fabian Pest Control	105.00
Hali-Brite	17.31	Hawkins	6254.30
John Deere Financial	175.22	Kustom Machine	346.66
Mertz Lumber	6769.58	MMC	6152.26
Napa Parts Supply	32.66	ND League of Cities	1585.00
ND One Call	22.45	ND Rural Water Systems	255.00
NDAAO	120.00	NDPERS Ins.	14755.18
NDPERS Retirement	10,100.63	Novak Electric	459.71
Oakes Area Chamber	225.00	Oakes Enhancement	13,143.55
Oakes Family Pharmacy	8.82	Oakes Truck & Trailer	2,957.00
Otter Tail	7,419.67	Paradis Law	500.00
Pitney Bowes Inc.	150.96	Praskas	1,157.38
Pro Forms	153.31	Quill	86.73
Remote Systems	624.07	Rod's Cleaning	350.00
S&P Global Market	91.00	Seyer Plumbing & Heating	323.99
Starion Bank	2,407.04	Starion Bank	27,727.88
Sweets & Stories	125.76	Team Lab	2,131.00
Tornado Stop	2,200.19	Visa-Library	552.40
Vistos Carquest	403.69	WM-Cardboard	1,059.04

WM-Route	3,284.06	Zack's Repair	312.65
Salaries	81,292.60	Payroll Taxes	19,202.52

Committee Reports:

Bakke inquired about Phil Hansen signs on each side of town. The signs are out of city limits and on private property, council does not need to approve any changes. **Dangerous Buildings**, Bagley brought to attention a few homes that have fallen into serious disrepair or have suffered damage. Paradis discussed the ordinances for declaring buildings dangerous and the steps that need to be taken. **Bulk Water**, Nelson asked the council to consider increasing the rate for bulk water. Requests for bulk water are coming more frequently and he feels our rate is too low. Schaefer moved, Bagley second to increase rate for bulk water to \$20.00/1,000 gallons, carried. **WTP**, operator position is open Nelson and Nitschke are keeping things running with the help of a few outside individuals. They will reach out to some contacts before advertising for the position.

Unfinished Business:

Variance Request, letters were sent to all neighbors within 150' of Jorgenson property. No complaints or concerns were received, Bagley moved, Schaefer second to approve variance for Jorgenson deck permit, carried.

New Business:

Conklin Memorial, Johnson was contacted about the City partnering with the School and OEI to place a memorial, honoring Art Conklin, on the school grounds. Mayor O'Brien took this time to extend the council's sympathies to Art's family and express gratitude for his years of service to the community. **Tourism Funds Request**, Bakke moved, Bagley second to give \$500.00 to the American Legion for the fireworks display, carried. **Sales Tax Funds Request**, First reading of the request from the Golden Age Club for \$6,000 to help re-shingle the roof at the senior center. Bakke moved, Schaefer second to allocate the funds and provide payment when the project is complete, carried. **County Re-Districting Board**, Bakke volunteered to be the Oakes representative on the Census Redistricting Board. **Vacant Council Positions**, two positions are open at this time on the city council. Due to the suddenness of this situation no appointments will be made at this time. Anyone who may be interested in filling a vacancy should contact Auditor Johnson or a council member.

Announcements & Correspondence:

Water Appropriation notice was received from Scott German.

Bakke moved, Bagley second to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 PM.

MAYOR _____

ATTEST  _____

(minutes subject to correction and approval at the next regular meeting)