

MAY 11, 2020
CITY OF PLATO CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Tracy Montgomery at 7:00p.m. on the 11th day of May, 2020, at the Plato Community Hall.

City Council members present: Stacy Sohns, Dennis Oltmann, VeeAnn Wood and Neil Engelmann

City Staff present: Public Works Director Scott Graupmann and City Clerk/Treasurer Gerri Scott

Guests: Justin McGraw (CDS), Lloyd Graupmann (PPC), Chuck and Tammi Vorlicek, and Bob Becker

Motion: by DO to approve the agenda as presented. Second by NE. All in favor.

PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC FORUM

Justin McGraw, on behalf of CDS, presented before council with the results of the 2019 audit. He provided an overview of findings and the City's financial position.

ACTION RELATING TO GUEST(S) PRESENT

none

Motion: by DO to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2020, regular City Council Meeting. Second by VW. All in favor.

REPORTS

Fire Department – none

Park and Recreation/Plato Baseball – second retaining wall is complete

Sheriff – none

Plato Planning Commission – LG presented to the council on two projects reviewed by the Planning Commission and the Board of Adjustments, along with public hearings held earlier this evening (5/11/2020).

Chuck and Tammi Vorlicek (117 1st Street NE) wish to construct an addition to their garage which requires a variance relating to property line setback. **Motion:** by DO to accept the recommendation of the PPC and Board of Adjustments and grant said setback variance as set out. Second by NE. All in favor.

Bob and Patsy Becker (3 4th Avenue SE) wish to construct a house on a current vacant lot which requires a variance relating to property line setback and agreement with TCWR Railroad. **Motion:** by SS to accept the recommendation of the PPC and Board of Adjustments and grant said setback variance with TCWR Railroad conditions as set out. Second by VW. All in favor.

Tony and Stephanie Stepien (1 4th Avenue NE) attended the Planning Commission meeting in regard to adding a new cement floor in the barn and also the installation of a holding tank for gray water used in the barn. No action was needed by the Planning Commission for those projects.

Tracy Montgomery (101 1st Avenue SW) is seeking Planning Commission approval for an addition to her house which will require a variance for setback. The meeting and public hearing will be held on May 26 at 6pm.

Glencoe Wastewater Contract – none

Holiday Lights – VW sent an email, but received no responses; will try again

Community Hall (short term plan) – SG is obtaining quotes on repairing the stairs. The ceiling tiles have been replaced in the ladies' restroom.

Ordinance Review – none

Equipment/Inventory – SG provided a revised list. Council discussed some additional information that may be helpful to include.

Liaisons Reports – Lions are discussing some alternatives for the June burgers in the park. Legion is not having a Memorial Day program, but they are trying to come up with an alternative plan.

Treasurers Report – **Motion:** by SS to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Second by NE. All in favor. Council was provided with a current bank account balance and internal transfer report.

Approve Claims – The following claims were reviewed for payment:

Check No.	Date	Vendor	Name	Amount
14634	5/11/2020	19	CITY OF GLENCOE	\$10,865.43
14635	5/11/2020	36	GAVIN, JANSSEN & STABENOW LTD	\$29.50
14636	5/11/2020	46	HAWKINS, INC	\$5.00
14637	5/11/2020	58	KOHL'S SWEEPING SERVICE	\$1,200.00
14638	5/11/2020	67	LMCIT	\$47.00
14639	5/11/2020	91	PERA	\$422.60
14640	5/11/2020	92	PLATO C STORE	\$147.06
14641	5/11/2020	132	TIM LEPEL	\$137.50
14642	5/11/2020	156	MCLEOD CTY AUDITOR-TREASURER	\$5.00
14643	5/11/2020	156	MCLEOD CTY AUDITOR-TREASURER	\$668.30
14644	5/11/2020	272	QUALITY FLOW SYSTEMS INC	\$800.00
14645	5/11/2020	342	GOPHER STATE ONE CALL	\$18.90
14646	5/11/2020	473	REINDERS, INC	\$380.87
14647	5/11/2020	504	MINI BIFF, LLC	\$114.24
14648	5/11/2020	544	GERALDINE A SCOTT	\$959.95
14649	5/11/2020	547	CENTURYLINK	\$303.53
14650	5/11/2020	562	GLENCOE FLEET SUPPLY	\$118.31
14651	5/11/2020	598	GRAUPMANN SCOTT	\$1,364.51
14652	5/11/2020	721	MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEM	\$1,241.80
14653	5/11/2020	738	POTENTIA MN SOLAR FUND 1 LLC	\$408.59
14654	5/11/2020	747	REC-TECH OUTDOOR SOLUTIONS	\$2,145.50
14655	5/11/2020	748	CORE AND MAIN LP	\$6,510.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT:				
3943	5/11/2020	92	PLATO C STORE	\$38.02
3944	5/11/2020	453	CITY OF PLATO	\$151.76
3945	5/11/2020	674	SCHLECHTER JAMIE	\$68.68
3946	5/11/2020	787	EMERGENCY APPARATUS MTC	\$1,154.64
3947	5/11/2020	790	MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES	\$164.01
INTERIM CLAIMS PAID:				
14625	4/27/2020	88	XCEL ENERGY	\$12.20
14626	4/27/2020	88	XCEL ENERGY	\$999.48
14629	4/27/2020	544	GERALDINE A SCOTT	\$811.10
14630	4/27/2020	598	GRAUPMANN SCOTT	\$1,364.51
14623	4/27/2020	79	CENTERPOINT ENERGY	\$217.44
14624	4/27/2020	85	MN DEPT OF LABOR & INDUSTRY	\$47.55
14627	4/27/2020	91	PERA	\$393.76
14628	4/27/2020	239	MCLEOD CO-OP POWER	\$138.12
14631	4/27/2020	732	VISA	\$91.46
14632	4/27/2020	760	TULIES LLC	\$8,600.00
14633	4/27/2020	777	TOSHIBA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS USA	\$75.02
	5/7/2020		US Treasury (online) April payroll tax deposit	\$1,231.16

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

3940	4/27/2020	36	GAVIN, JANSSEN & STABENOW LTD	\$362.50
3942	4/27/2020	453	CITY OF PLATO	\$119.10
3941	4/27/2020	164	CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	\$20.00

Motion: by NE to approve payment of the above-stated claims, along with McLeod Publishing for \$33.60 and Arnold’s of Glencoe for \$31,800.00. Second by SS. All in favor.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

none

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion: by NE to accept the 2019 audit report as prepared/presented. Second by DO. All in favor.

MAINTENANCE REPORT:

- SG has received one quote for mulch in the park - \$4417 for 200cy from MN Playgrounds. He will obtain others.
- Gravel for the E/W Field parking lot can be purchased through Helen Township for \$196 per load. Council would like to wait to see if the fields will be used this year.
- SG stated he is working on the water issue by restrooms at the E/W fields. He needs some red rock. Cost is \$450 a load. Rock not used for that project will be used in alleys. Council is fine with obtaining one load.
- SG advised that Dean Engelmann is renting land from Tony/Stephanie Stepien and he would like to access that land off the end of 1st Street NE. There is room for access along the ditch. Council did not see any issue with doing so.

CLERKS REPORT

- Discussion on upcoming hall and shelter events and how to handle. GS advised all events for May have been cancelled or postponed. Discussion on June events. Will need to see what the Governor does with the “stay at home” order this week. If a council decision is needed before the next meeting, it will be conducted by email.
- The Work Comp audit for 2019 was done last week. It was determined an additional premium of \$47 was due based on the actual salary breakdown.
- Discussion on the installation of the solar speed sign and on slowing traffic through town generally. All ideas/suggestions are appreciated.
- Discussion on residential bulk water inquiry and on a blight complaint received.
- GS provided an update on ball fields and summer recreation to date.

OTHER

none

Motion: by NE to adjourn meeting. Second by DO. Meeting adjourned at 9:37pm.

Tracy Montgomery
Mayor

Gerri Scott
Clerk/Treasurer