

May 14, 2024

The Vesta City Council Public Hearing was called to order at 7:01pm by Mayor Kolander at the Vesta Community Center. Council present were Councilman Swedzinski, Councilman Rathman, and Councilman Kolander, and Councilwoman Samyn.

Staff Present: Director Dhoore and Clerk Guetter

Visitors Present:

General Inquires/Complaints

N/A

Consent Agenda

- A. April 9, 2024 Minutes
- B. Bills & ACH \$ 34,698.74
- C. Payroll \$ 14,987.42
- D. Bank Statements –March bank statements – reconciled.

Councilman Kolander would like the minutes amended to change from a lot upset to the Fire Department members were upset in the April 9, 2024 minutes.

Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Councilman Kolander seconded by Councilman Swedzinski, motion passed unanimously.

Reports/Requests

Fire Department – The new Fire Department Handbook is moving along, it has been sent off to the Fire Chief and Councilman Kolander for approval

Fire Responder – N/A

Director Dhoore notified the Council that there was a \$3,000 bill for Quality Flow to replace the transducer for the Water Tower because it was unable to read the level for a week.

Director Dhoore informed the Council that the siren that goes off at noon, six, and nine was broken. The cost to have it replaced was roughly \$20,000.00. We can use the Civil Defense Siren with a timer to have that be our new siren, Meadowland Electric would be available to set that up. The Council decided that would a cost-effective way to get the siren back into working condition.

Director Dhoore received a bid from Brey Tiling for \$1,200 to replace the water shut off at Meadowland. Councilman Kolander made a motion to accept the Brey Tiling bid to replace the water shut off, if it doesn't work just to have it capped, the City will not replace the concrete seconded by Councilman Rathman motion passes unanimously.

Director Dhoore stated that Brey Tiling would be here sooner than later to replace the drain on the corner of North and Elm.

Mayor Kolander asked about the drain that still hasn't been replaced or dealt with, Director Dhoore will take it out, Clerk Guetter will send it with Daren to Bend Rite for repair.

Mayor Kolander asked about the electrical covers on main street that are laying haphazardly on the street. Director Dhoore will call Redwood Electric to see if they can come and have those covers looked at.

Councilman Kolander asked about pressure washing the building, Director Dhoore stated that he hasn't caught up with mowing yet, the streets haven't been swept.

Mayor Kolander asked if the basement has been looked at with the water sitting in the hole. Director Dhoore hasn't looked at it yet. Mayor Kolander has been down to the basement checking out the situation and would like something done with it.

Clerk Guetter asked if the bell out front of the Community Center could be removed along with the tree. The Council made no decision on this request.

Clerk Guetter stated that the Council Meeting in August would have to be moved due to the elections being held on August 13th. It was decided that the Council Meeting for August would be moved to Monday, August 12th.

Clerk Guetter read a letter from the Vesta Bar asking to close the street down for a Customer Appreciation night with a band. The Council agreed the Vesta Bar could close the street down.

Clerk Guetter stated that she had looked more into helping fund the 125th Celebration in 2025, there are Public Purpose Expenditures that would qualify to help pitch in.

Clerk Guetter had worked with the City regarding a building permit that was submitted last year, we would have to have a public hearing to include a special use permit on our fee schedule, he would have to reapply for the building permit, apply for a variance, and pay for the special use permit.

OLD BUSINESS

The Council would like to talk to Wabasso about what their Community Center is for size and building to about changing the insured Community Center for the City of Vesta to something that we would rebuild.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion to approve Resolution 2024-08 Accepting Donations was made by Councilman Kolander, seconded by Councilwoman Samyn, motion passes unanimously.

A motion to have Kim Shemon help mow this summer to help Director Dhoore up to twenty hours a week at \$16.00 an hour was made by Councilman Kolander, seconded by Councilman Swedzinski motion passes unanimously.

A motion to approve Matt Reis building permit was made by Councilman Kolander, seconded by Councilman Swedzinski, motion passes unanimously.

Brady Panitzke from Bollig was here to give an engineering update. Brady reported on the Lead and Copper investigating they had done; they have successfully met the requirements of the state and will get that finalized and reported. Brady stated that the lack of maps was a bit of a struggle to 100% finish out the project for the Lead and Copper Reporting Requirements.

The discussion of lack of maps lead to a discussion about what ifs, Mayor Kolander wanted to know how many places we have the new mapping and where they were located. Director Dhoore stated that there is a paper map, a flash drive, and it is also saved on the Public Works computer, the engineers also have a copy of the most current mapping. Mayor Kolander stated that sometimes the knowledge of the employees isn't documented on maps.

Mayor Kolander asked about changing Clerk Guetter's title to City Administrator. Clerk Guetter recommended that since it wasn't an agenda item we revisit this later.

Mayor Kolander at some time would like to have an inventory of items with locations so that if something were to happen to any of the City's employees the next person would be able to locate them easily.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:19pm, was made by Councilman Swedzinski, seconded by Councilman Kolander, motion passed unanimously.

I, the undersigned, Brooke Guetter City Clerk/Treasurer in and for the City of Vesta, Minnesota, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes.

Honorable Mayor, Warren Kolander

Brooke Guetter, City Clerk/Treasurer