

Minutes of the Cando City Council

The following is subject to the City Council's review and revision

The Cando City Council met Tuesday November 17, 2020 at 7:00pm at the Towner County Courthouse with Mayor Bjornstad presiding. Councilors Gibbens, Olson, Holien, Weber, Bjornstad and Shock were present.

Motion by Councilor Olson was seconded by Councilor Holien to approve updated agenda, all voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Councilor Bjornstad was seconded by Councilor Weber to approve the minutes from previous meeting, all voted aye. Motion passed

Under Old business, the Fees and Rates schedule was presented. Some of the fees on the existing schedule were discussed by the Council as to their relevancy: Street and asphalt alleys opening (per sq foot) and Boulevard Opening fees. The Council decided it should be rewritten as follows: Street openings, along with asphalt alleys and boulevards that are cut for property owner repairs, must be replaced to original state at the property owners' expense. It was also decided to remove the Deposit for vacating streets or alleys of \$100. The updated Fees and Rate schedule also includes an increase to Meter Reconnect Fees, Meter Replacement Fee (when original meter has been damaged), Sewer usage rate, and Street Fee. The proposed Rate and Fees scheduled will be updated and presented again at the next meeting.

Rental fee for the ambulance at the fire hall was discussed. It is currently at \$1500 and has been that for many years. If there was an increase, the Fire Department would benefit, and the increase could be offset if the Ambulance Department applies for City Sales Tax Grant dollars. A motion by Councilor Gibbens was seconded by Councilor Olson to increase the Rent for the Ambulance at the fire hall to \$2500. All Councilors voted aye and motion passed.

Under New Business the City Auditor presented a help wanted ad for her position. The Council agreed that it would be a 32 (plus) hour, benefitted position. (as there is an assistant for dual control and keeping office open on off days of the Auditor).

A City Employee Payroll and Health Insurance worksheet was reviewed.

The Sherriff entered the meeting. He and the Council discussed the impounded vehicles being parked at the City Shop area. Sherriff Kennedy said he would address this and talk to the Public Works Superintendent as to a good place for the vehicles to be parked.

The City Mask Mandate was discussed. There was no action taken.

Times for the City Council meeting were discussed. It was decided to meet at 5:00 instead of 7:00 for the winter months starting December 1st.

Motion to pay the bills was made by Councilor Shock, seconded by Councilor Olson; all were in favor and motion passed.

Advanced Business Met	78.00	Capital Guardian	218.34	First State Bank	7.00
Grand Forks Utility	52.00	HE Everson	252.53	Jerry Ratzlaff	500.00
Legacy Coop.	1,165.25	ND Child Support Div	114.65	ND Telephone Co.	382.89
Northern Plain Elec	5021.13	T C Auditor	12511.00	US Postal Service	50.00
Waste Management	17342.75	Salaries	4844.47		

At 8:30pm the meeting adjourned by motion.

Annette Johnson

City Auditor