Minutes of the Cando City Council

The Cando City Council met on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, at 7:00 pm at the Towner County Courthouse. Councilors Bjornstad, Olson, Klingenberg, Miller, Scott and Halverson were present, with Mayor Bjornstad presiding.

A motion was made by Councilor Bjornstad and seconded by Councilor Scott to approve the agenda as written. All voted aye and the motion passed. Motion by Councilor Klingenberg and seconded by Councilor Olson to approve the minutes from the previous meeting as written. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Old Business: Moore Engineering provided Council with an update on the sewer project. Brad Muscha told the council that they were wrapping up their work on the draft of the Environmental Assessment and figured it would be completed by the end of this week. Muscha also mentioned that he has been working with the City's Attorney on the drafts for the easements along with working on the permit for relining the sewer under the railway tracks. Brad ended his presentation with some questions for the council regarding where the materials, equipment, etc., can be stored during the work on the project. The council has talked in the past about implementing ordinances regarding junk. They decided to table the discussion, so they can review other town's ordinances on this matter. The old bus barn suffered some damage from the hospital construction crew picking up materials that were stored next to it. The hospital is working on matching the steel that they damaged.

New Business: H&H Coating submitted a quote to the city for doing exterior power washing of the belly of the tower along with exterior spot coating repair of the belly, cross rods, struts and legs. A motion was made by Councilor Bjornstad and seconded by Councilor Olson to accept the quote from H&H Coatings. All voted aye and the motion passed. A resident inquired about having the sewer charge removed from their bill due to a leak in their basement. After some discussion, the council said the sewer charge not be removed and would need to be paid along with the rest of the charges on the bill. With a good portion of the city's water meters reaching the end of their lifespan, it has been discovered that some of the meters that need to be replaced are much larger and therefore more expensive. A question was asked about who would be responsible for the payment of the meters. It was decided that the city would pay for the new meters. A demolition permit was submitted by Legacy for taking down the old Barley House. In the permit, Legacy listed that some materials would be disposed in the City's Landfill. Before acknowledging this permit, the council has more questions that need to be answered and decided to table acknowledging the permit until their questions are answered. Public Works Supervisor, Scott Gable gave an update on what they have been working on.

Open Committee: Councilor Halverson mentioned that some residents had approached him with some questions. They were inquiring about natural gas and if anything more has come from it, a condemned property and the office hours.

A motion to pay the bills was made by Councilor Olson and seconded by Councilor Scott. All voted aye and the motion was passed.

At 8:15p.m., the meeting was adjourned.
Kathy Rance, Recorder

Bills for Approval for November 7, 2023

Standard Insurance	$	33.60	281 Spirit Shop	$	1,486.48	Time Clock Plus	$	33.00
Visa	$	2,836.96	Cando Lumber	$	167.09	CC Steel	$	17,626.55
Northeast Regional Water	$	42,873.96	Banyon Data Systems	$	2,034.00	Bravera Bank/Visa	$	1,147.01
USPS	$	1,500.00	Capital Guardian	$	369.12			
Salaries PP#22	$	7,447.89	Pederson Septic Service	$	300.00			
FICA/MED/FED	$	5,060.99	One Call Concepts	$	22.10			
Circle Sanitation	$	14,589.00	A&W Standard	$	53.95			
Home of Economy	$	59.98	TC Auditor/Treasurer	$	16,525.50			
Deplazes Redi-Mix	$	150.00	HE Everson	$	439.41			
D&R Tire	$	250.20	Legacy	$	658.08			
Cando Home & Hardware	$	672.44	Kotaco	$	50.02			
Northern Plains Electric	$	4,409.90	ND Telephone	$	387.30			
			Total:	**$**	**121,184.53**			