

Minutes of the Cando City Council

The Cando City Council met on Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at 7:00 pm at the Towner County Courthouse. Councilors Halverson, Olson, Klingenberg, Miller and Scott were present, with Councilor Bjornstad presiding. Mayor Bjornstad was absent.

A motion was made by Councilor Halverson and seconded by Councilor Scott to approve the agenda with an addition under Visitors/Delegations. All voted aye and the motion passed. Motion by Councilor Scott and seconded by Councilor Miller to approve the minutes as written. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Visitors/Delegations: A resident came to the meeting to inquire about the results of putting the old meter face back on and seeing if that meter was causing the issue. For now, the council said to keep paying their monthly average, while they ask the public works employees what the possible issues are. A decision will be made at a future council meeting.

Old Business: Brad Muscha from Moore Engineering appeared before council via Teams with some news about the sewer and water line project. Brad mentioned that reimbursement requests were to be set up in the near future for the sewer project. Councilor Bjornstad asked about the progress of getting the easements signed by the individuals remaining. Muscha said that they will be continuing to follow up with residents who received Easement Agreements in relation to the sewer project. They are still anticipating an early-May bid opening. The loan forgiveness letter has arrived and shows that water main and lead service line replacement project is eligible to receive loan forgiveness up to 75%. The state is looking for written notice of the projects and Muscha would like a decision to be made by the next council meeting, March 19, 2024 on accepting the loan forgiveness and moving forward. Muscha then ended his water presentation with potential repayment for the projects and the costs. Muscha’s last presentation of the meeting was regarding the lead service inventory and how they need more results from City of Cando residents. They are working on drafting a letter that will be sent out to residents in the future. He acknowledged the use of the website and Facebook as a way to complete the survey. An agreement drawn up by Gibbens Law Office was presented for the sale of Fosaaen Addition, Block A, S1/2 Lot 15, Lots 16,17. Motion by Councilor Olson and seconded by Councilor Klingenberg to approve the agreement drawn for the purchaser of Fosaaen Addition, Block A, S1/2 Lot 15, Lots 16,17, as written. First State Bank needed a motion to remove Duane Holien from the signature cards at First State Bank. Motion by Councilor Miller and seconded by Councilor Halverson to remove Duane Holien from the First State Bank signature card. First State Bank needed a motion of all individuals to be put on the signature cards at First State Bank. Motion by Councilor Olson and seconded by Councilor Klingenberg to add Rod Halverson, Sig Bjornstad, Rollie Bjornstad, Jeremy Olson, Todd Klingenberg, Jeff Miller, Roger Scott, Kathy Rance, and Ian Knutson to the signature cards at First State Bank.

New Business: CC Steel sent the council a quote providing service on four lift station pumps. The city has five lift station pumps, so they tabled the quote until next meeting to find out more information.

Open Committee: Councilor Miller inquired about the Circle Sanitation commercial garbage rate and what the comparison costs were with Waste Management. It was discussed that commercial rates are higher since the change, due to the lower residential costs for garbage service with Circle Sanitation.

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

At 7:59 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.

Ian Knutson, Recorder

Bills for Approval for March 5, 2024

Northeast Rural Water	\$ 13,728.00	Cando Hardware	\$ 112.38
VISA	\$ 307.65	Butler Machinery	\$ 1,348.14
Standard Insurance	\$ 33.60	Salaries PP#5	\$ 7,536.70
Capital Guardian	\$ 386.17	Cando Grocery	\$ 7.45
Advanced Business Methods	\$ 88.81	Home of Economy	\$ 1.99
TC Auditor/Treasurer	\$ 18,059.50	Houtcooper Implement	\$ 33.48
Lane Pederson	\$ 1,300.00	Ferguson Waterworks	\$ 3,945.00
TC Recorder	\$ 130.00	D&R Tire	\$ 2,624.64
US Post Office	\$ 320.00	Banyon Data Systems	\$ 595.00
Ferguson Enterprises	\$ 1,737.70	Time Clock Plus, LLC	\$ 33.00
281 Spirit Shop	\$ 159.28	Ferguson Enterprises	\$ 69.88
Melvin Belle Trucking	\$ 1,062.00	Ferguson Waterworks	\$ 26.54
		Total:	\$ 53,646.91