

Minutes of the Cando City Council

The Cando City Council met Tuesday, May 16, 2023, at 7:00 pm at the Towner County Courthouse. Councilors Bjornstad, Olson, Klingenberg and Scott, who arrived later were present, with Mayor Bjornstad presiding. Councilors Halverson and Miller were absent.

Motion by Councilor Bjornstad and seconded by Councilor Klingenberg to approve the agenda as written. All voted aye and the motion passed. Motion by Councilor Olson and seconded by Councilor Bjornstad to approve the minutes as written. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Visitors & Delegations: A resident came before the Council to talk about a concern regarding their water meter. After finding out more information from the resident and from the Public Works Supervisor, the council discussed the resident's concern. Council's still had the same thought on the matter as they did at the last meeting which was, the water had been used and would need to be paid for and recommended that the resident submit their water bill to their insurance.

Sheriff Deputy Zack Kennedy came to the meeting with information about driving Low Speed Vehicles and Golf Carts around town. Kennedy shared information from the North Dakota Century Code that states that Golf Carts may only be used in the day time for driving to the from your residence to the Golf Course and back and not driving around town. The City currently does not have an ordinance in place for with Low Speed Vehicles and Golf Carts. Council asked the Auditor to forward this information to the City Attorney, so that a new ordinance can be created.

Old Business: Brad Muscha via Teams Moore Engineering appeared before council to talk about the sewer project. He told the council that the USACE has given the okay to begin the environmental assessment work and write the report when the work is completed. Muscha also talked about Easement Acquisitions, Geotechnical Evaluation which will include doing soil borings and completing a report on it. He also shared that they hope to share the design plan at the second meeting in June. The plan will be 50% done and they want the council to review it.

Council received two bids for the McDonald's 3rd Addition, Block A, N 54' of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 property. A motion was made by Councilor Scott and seconded by Councilor Klingenberg to sell the property to the highest bidder, Ted Bjornstad for \$3,777.00. All voted aye and the motion passed. Councilor Bjornstad abstained from the vote.

Council also discussed the City's Renaissance Zone and if they want to move forward with the extension. After learning more about it at the last meeting from Joni Morlock, along with seeing the new changes that were made to the program this spring, the council had a discussion on that would like to do. In the end, a motion was made by Councilor Olson and seconded by Councilor Klingenberg to not renew the city's Renaissance Zone. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Council talked more about the idea that the Ambulance proposed in regards to dealing with damage that is done to the Fire Hall. They are interested in the idea, but wants to seek legal guidance from the City's Attorney, so that everything is done correctly.

New Business: The ND Department of Environmental Quality did an inspection of the boiler at the Fire Hall and noticed some items that needed to be taken care of. North Country Heating and Air Conditioning has been informed of the issues and will be taking care of it.

The Airport Authority Board had a member step down, so a new member needs to be appointed. A motion was made by Councilor Olson and seconded by Councilor Scott to appoint Sig Bjornstad to the fill the vacant spot. All voted aye except for Councilor Bjornstad who abstained from the vote and the motion passed.

The American Legion - Hal Parker Post #79 submitted Gaming Site Permits for Gordy's Bar, Harvest Grill and Cando Bar for July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024. A motion was made by Councilor Olson and seconded by Councilor Klingenberg to approve the permits. All voted aye and the motion passed.

The FCCLA submitted a Transient Merchant Permit Application to see Mini Donuts as a fundraiser for the group. A motion was made by Councilor Bjornstad and seconded by Councilor Olson to approve the permit application. All voted aye and the motion passed.

The Council acknowledged the building permits that the Building Inspector had approved.

The Council also talked about deadlines for the agenda and packets, so they can have time to review the information before their meeting. They decided that the deadline to have an item put on the agenda would be the end of the day Friday before a meeting, so that they can receive their packets on Monday.

The Council acknowledged the financials for April.

Open Committee: The council discussed renting out the City Equipment to residents for odd jobs. A motion was made by Councilor Klingenberg and seconded by Councilor Olson to stop renting out City Equipment. All voted aye and the motion passed.

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

At 8:37 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.

Kathy Rance, Recorder

List of Bills for May 16, 2023					
Fire Equipment Company	\$ 277.80	ND Child Support	\$ 114.65	Salaries PP #10	\$ 5,745.13
Capital Guardian	\$ 279.02	TC Recorder	\$ 20.00		
Allen Halley	\$ 480.00	Derrick Childs	\$ 270.00		
Northern Plains Electric	\$ 5,077.18	Share Corp	\$ 1,207.96		
A & W Standard	\$ 50.95	First State Bank	\$ 7.00		
AE2S	\$ 450.00	ND Dept. Enviro Quality	\$ 165.00		
Grand Forks Utility Billing	\$ 104.00	One Call Concepts	\$ 9.85		
HE Everson	\$ 131.48	Cando Grocery	\$ 18.67		
TC Record Herald	\$ 174.40	Time Clock Plus	\$ 33.00		
Ferguson Waterworks	\$ 242.00	Legacy	\$ 3,835.83		
ND Telephone	\$ 380.09	Mark Brehm	\$ 90.00		
TC Auditor/Treasure	\$ 17,219.92	D&R Tire	\$ 524.95		
		Total:	\$ 36,908.88		