

REGULAR MEETING
KAYCEE TOWN HALL
May 23, 2023
7:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor: Barry Gehrig. Councilmembers: Audrey Davis, Tom Knapp, and Jennifer Lompe (via phone). Public Works: Russell Cohee. Public: Deputy Shane Greet, Deputy Ken Richardson, Sheriff Rod Odenbach, Ronnie and Judy Christiansen, Janet Cohee, Stef Garcia, Jason Rodriguez, Travis Lawrence, Heidi Greet, Sam Fauber, Zach Richendifer, Mark Bedford, Kale Morse, Amber Rarig, and Richard Frankovic.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Gehrig called the public hearing to order at 7:00 p.m. for Ordinance 2023.03. Ordinance 2023.03 is an ordinance for the Fiscal Year End 2024 Budget. There being no public comment, the public hearing was closed at 7:02 p.m.

Mayor Gehrig called the regular meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

FNB Bank: Mr. Lawrence thanked the Council for banking with them and discussed the current rates.

Water Extension: Mr. Jason Rodriguez would like to find a way to supply town water to a new subdivision on his property. Other residents on Sussex Highway are interested in potable water for their homes as well. The Council stated that they have concerns regarding the amount of water the town is allowed to pump and being able to meet everyone's water needs. Mr. Rodriguez and the others will explore the option of starting a water district.

Senior Center: The Senior Center is not able to afford the \$800.00/month rent for a full-time rental of the gym but could afford \$300.00. A daily rental fee may be an option for them as well for limited activities. The Council will continue to discuss the rental amounts for the gym.

Middle Fork Ranch: Mr. Toby Pierson would like to extend the water line from the already existing tap to a barn. The water would only be used for drinking and not watering livestock. A new water agreement needs to be executed, and then the Council will consider the request.

Building Permit 202303: The Council was presented with a request from Mr. Kale Morse to install a fence at his Park Avenue property. The Council stated that it is required to

have a fence within your own property and not on the town right of way. The permit was tabled until the Council can review the property boundary.

Sheriff Odenbach: Sheriff Rod Odenbach discussed local ordinance enforcement with the Council. They can issue dog citations on a limited basis as needed. They are also able to have the complainant sign the citation if someone witnesses a dog issue. All vicious dogs will be addressed accordingly.

Updates/Correspondence:

- Asphalt Doctors will be here next week to complete the crack sealing maintenance.
- Mayor Gehrig met with Powder River Energy and the town is on the list for LED bulb replacements.
- Russell Cohee passed his sewer operator exam. He will now need to complete 35 schooling hours to receive his certification.
- Team Labs will do the lagoon sludge judging on June 6th.
- A window was broken at the RWCC and repairs will be made.
- A date for the door installation from Alumi-Tech has not been set.

3rd and Final Reading Ordinance 2023.03: Councilwoman Davis moved to approve Ordinance 2023.03 on the third and final reading, with the changes discussed. Councilman Knapp seconded. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

LEGAL ISSUES:

Powder River Fire District Agreement: The Council reviewed a draft agreement with the PRFD. They will forward it to the district for their review.

MINUTES: Councilwoman Davis moved to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on May 9th as presented. Councilwoman Lompe seconded. Motion carried. Councilwoman Davis moved to approve the minutes from the special meeting held on May 16th as presented. Councilwoman Lompe seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of Bills: The following bills were audited and approved for payment: 2M, Asset - \$7,732.00; AT&T, Utilities - \$55.03; Atlas Premier Services, Rental/Lease - \$54.21; Blue Cross Blue Shield, Group Insurance - \$2,457.00; Crago Law Offices, Contract Labor - \$525.00; Energy Laboratories, Testing - \$729.00; Frandson Safety, Testing - \$52.50; Great America Financial Services, Rental/Lease - \$119.00; Napa Auto Parts, Gas/Oil/Tires - \$122.94; Powder River Energy Corporation, Utilities - \$2,296.00; Stotz Equipment, Repairs/Maint. - \$33.69; Terminix, Repairs/Maint. - \$175.00; Travelers, Insurance - \$12,151.00. Councilman Knapp moved to approve the bills as presented. Councilwoman Davis seconded. Motion carried.

Adjournment: With no further business the regular meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Barry Gehrig, Mayor

Kristen LeDoux, Town Clerk