

Regular Meeting, Ethan Town Board, 12-11-2023

The Town of Ethan board met in regular session on December 11th, 2023, at 6:17 pm in the Ethan City Hall. Trustees present were Gregg Thibodeau, Jason Koch, and Bob Riggs. Trustees not present: Megan Perry and Raquel Nesheim. City personnel present: Dave Duba and Michele Pollreis.

Chairman Thibodeau called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.  
All motions were unanimously voted as aye unless stated otherwise.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion made by Riggs, second by Koch to approve agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the November 21st, 2023 meeting were approved on motion by Koch, second by Riggs.  
No Community Center minutes. Meeting planned.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Finance Officer reviewed the financial reports from November 2023.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Discussed water loss report, digital speed sign and upcoming training.

CITIZEN INPUT: None

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: Motion by Riggs, second by Koch, to approve claims.

General, sewer, water, preservation and community center funds \* employee and board wages – board wages \$300.14, Finance wages \$3690.95; Public Works wages \$4848.62; American Legal \$25.50; Card Services \$395.20; C&B Operations \$2438.76; Century Business \$76.53; Daily Republic \$27.09; DANR \$350.00; ELO Prof LLC \$100.00; Ethan Coop Lumber \$4.05; Farmers Alliance \$258.03; Hanson Rural Water; water services \$3747.50; Jarod Deinert, skid tree removal rental \$100.00; John Deere Financial \$703.42; Menards \$51.04; Menards \$50.28; Menards \$44.94; Mikes Corner \$257.95; Mikes Corner \$215.40; Morgan Theeler \$20.00; Muth Electric \$1524.78; Northern Truck Equipment, snow blades \$ 2219.43; Northwestern Energy \$1276.55; Northwestern Energy \$1475.19; Runnings \$19.99; Santel Communications \$133.87; Santel Communications \$133.50; SD Dept of Health \$165.00; SDML Workers Comp \$2255.00; SD Municipal League \$560.55; SD Retirement \$840.24; SD Retirement \$840.24; SDWWA \$10.00; QuickBooks Payroll Services \$8539.57; SD Dept of Revenue \$126.36; US Bank \$6399.24; USDA-RD \$1023.00; US Treasury \$1596.46; US Treasury \$1573.60; Weber Sanitation \$1990.00; Weber Sanitation \$2056.00.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nuisance properties-Discussed and tabled.

Tree Grant-Discussed and tabled.

Resolution with District III-Tabled

NEW BUSINESS:

Daves insurance increased from \$759.70 to \$834.90 per month. Rate approved on motion made by Riggs, second by Koch.

Employee Bonus-Board discussed in Executive session.

Small trees were removed from the surrounding areas on the northeast side of the ballpark. Equipment was rented for \$100 for tree removal.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: SDL 1-25-2 (1 & 4): Motion by Koch, second by Riggs to enter session at 6:47pm for personnel reasons. Session ended at 6:52 pm on motion by Riggs, second by Koch.

A motion was made by Riggs, second by Koch to pay a bonus of \$500 for Finance Officer and \$500 for Maintenance personnel.

Next regular board meeting is scheduled for January 15th, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

Motion by Koch, second by Riggs, to adjourn at 6:55 pm.

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Michele Pollreis  
Finance Officer

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Gregg Thibodeau  
Chairman

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