

Regular Meeting, Ethan Town Board, 2-19-2024

The Town of Ethan board met in regular session on February 19th, 2024, at 6:00 pm in the Ethan City Hall. Trustees present were Gregg Thibodeau, Bob Riggs, Raquel Nesheim, Megan Perry, and Jason Koch. City personnel present: Dave Duba and Michele Pollreisz.

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 Nesheim, second by Riggs to approve agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the January 15th, 2023 meeting were approved on motion by Riggs, second by Koch. Minutes from the February 19th, 2024 meeting were approved on motion by Koch, second by Riggs. No Community Center minutes.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Finance Officer reviewed the financial reports from End of year 2023 and January 2024.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Discussed water loss report.

CITIZEN INPUT: None.

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

General, sewer, water, preservation and community center funds * employee and board wages – board wages \$600.28, Finance wages \$2470.64; Public Works wages \$3396.50; Card Services \$730.43; C & B Operations \$26.10; Daily Republic \$34.20; Dave Duba, conference dues \$59.66; Donald McBrayer, snow removal \$36.94; ELO Prof \$100.00; Hanson Rural Water; water services \$3662.00; Macy Hades, water deposit refund \$72.04; McLoeds \$551.33; Menards \$176.75; Midwest Fire Safety \$246.00; Midwest Fire Safety \$47.00; Northwestern Energy \$2443.24; Robert Riggs, snow removal \$73.88; Santel Communications \$133.91; SD Dept of Health, testing \$15.00; SD Retirement System \$979.20; Weber Sanitation, contract \$1968.00; Century Business Products \$77.53; John Deere Financial \$703.42; QuickBooks Payroll Services \$5867.14; SD Dept of Revenue \$133.12; USDA-RD \$1023.00

OLD BUSINESS:

Emotional Support animals- Discussed and awaiting registration.

Nuisance Properties- Discussed and will be sending out letters.

Tree Grant-Approved for \$875 match from park fund to replace trees that were removed by the 2023 storm. Motion made by Perry, second by Riggs.

Resolution with District III-Tabled

NEW BUSINESS:

ClerkBooks contract- 5-hour support contract approved on motion made by Perry, second by Koch.

Chip sealing the roads- Motion made by Nesheim, second by Riggs to approve chip sealing 3rd St and 6th St in 2024 at approximately \$28,000.

Hanson Rural Water increase- Discussed and tabled to allow time to get more accurate information.

Dave's resignation- Motion made by Nesheim, second by Perry to enter executive session at 7:04 pm.

Executive Session: SDL 1-25-2 (1 & 4): Session ended at 7:23pm on motion by Riggs, second by Nesheim.

Next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday March 11th, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

Motion by Riggs, second by Koch, to adjourn at 7:29 pm.

Michele Pollreisz
Finance Officer

Gregg Thibodeau
Chairman

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