Regular Meeting, Ethan Town Board, 8-12-2024

The Town of Ethan board met in regular session on August 12th, 2024, at 6:05 pm in the Ethan City Hall. Trustees present were Gregg Thibodeau, Mataya James and Megan Perry. City personnel present: Bob Riggs and Michele Pollreisz. Not present: Jason Koch and Raquel Nesheim.

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 James, second by Perry to approve agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the July 15th, 2024 meeting were approved on motion by Perry, second by James, Community Center minutes-none.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Finance Officer reviewed the financial reports from July 2024. Pollreisz submitted her resignation as finance officer as of September 30th, 2024. Position will be advertised

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Discussed water loss report, street repairs and removal/adding of some signs around town.

CITIZEN INPUT: None.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: Motion by James, second by Perry to approve claims.

General, sewer, water, preservation and community center funds * employee and board wages – board wages \$292.64, Finance wages \$2470.62; Public Works wages \$3211.38; Badger Meter \$153.94; Betty Raymond \$128.00; Card Services \$161.82; CHS \$298.20; Davison County Auditor \$1800.00; ELO Prof \$125.00; Hanson Rural Water; water services \$4052.51; Henke Tractor Repair \$68.97; Maxwell and Bowar \$525.00; Menards \$17.16; Mikes Corner, fuel \$234.56; Northwestern Energy \$1581.23; N Perry Construction \$413.27; Santel Communications \$135.23; SD Dept of Health \$15.00; SD Retirement System \$821.76; South Dakota 811 \$9.45; Century Business Products \$77.53; John Deere Financial \$703.42; QuickBooks Payroll Services \$5682.02; SD Dept of Revenue \$139.60; USDA-RD \$1023.00; US Treasury \$1435.46; Weber Sanitation \$2407.00.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nuisance Properties- Discussed, letters will be sent, and will re-evaluate after next month.

Tree Grant-Discussed and trees will be purchased in September.

Ethan Lake- Discussed repairs and tabled.

Kalnbach shed-Building permit approved on motion made by James, second by Perry.

Bat homes- Discussed. Motion made by James, second by Perry to table and to look into ordinances.

NEW BUSINESS:

Park Board minutes- Discussed. Riggs and Pollreisz will be pulling out dead shrubs on north side of park and looking into bids for broken concrete.

Aflac- Discussed and motion made by James, second by Perry to decline policy.

SDARWS Yearly renewal- Motion made by James, second by Perry to approve renewal of contract for 2025.

Second Reading of the 2025 Yearly Budget with no changes approved on motion by Perry, second by James.

Executive Session: SDL 1-25-2 (1 & 4): The board entered into executive session on motion by Perry, second by James at 7:00pm. At 7;10 pm session was declared over by Chairman Thibodeau.

Personnel Review: Motion made by Perry, second by James to increase Riggs wages by \$.50 per hour. Riggs new wage will be \$25.50 per hour.

Next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday September 9th, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

Motion by James, second by Perry, to adjourn at 7;16 pm.		
Michele Pollreisz Finance Officer	Gregg Thibodeau Chairman	

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