

City Council Meeting February 2, 2015

The City Council met at 6:00 PM at Oakes Armory with the following members present: Mayor Zimmer and Council: Engel, Forward, Conklin, Strutz and Harris. O'Brien was absent. Visitors present: Leigh Harris and Austin Brummund. Employees present: Marke Roberts, Pat Nelson, Gary Neuharth, and April Haring.

Visitors:

Leigh Harris, Oakes Area Chamber of Commerce, introduced herself and requested funding for Irrigation Days. Engel moved, Strutz second to approve \$3,000.00 from lodging tax, carried.

Engineer Report:

Water Tower Improvement, Conklin moved, Forward second to approve Partial Pay Estimate #5 to Maguire Iron for \$48,846.60, carried. Strutz moved, Forward second to approve Engineering Invoice #9538 for \$3,832.50, carried.

Street Improvement Project protest hearing is scheduled for February 26th at the Armory. An informal meeting was held January 28th with property owners along north 13th Street and 14th Street to discuss project scope and hear reactions to proposed reconstruction and assessments.

Minutes, Auditor and Court Reports: Engel moved, Strutz second to approve minutes and all other reports as presented, carried.

Bills: Strutz moved, Conklin second to approve bills as listed, roll call approved:

NDPERS 457	70.00	AFLAC	106.04
Verizon Wireless	452.58	Visa-Library	243.33
Visa-City	225.56	Western Agency, Inc	41.00
Waste Management-Landfill	1,687.06	Capital Bank & Trust	50.00
Computer Express	200.00	Dickey County Recorder	13.00
Farmland CoOp	6.79	FCCU	37.50
Midstates Wireless	9,183.60	ND Rural Water Systems	410.00
Quill	203.85	Ameripride	81.92
Economy Propane LLC	288.30	GS Services	300.00
Michael Todd & Co	1,278.28	ND Sewage Pump Lift Station	1,000.00
Oakes Truck & Trailer	1,948.91	Virginia Pratschner	785.00
Ferguson Waterworks	599.07	Galls	163.94
Neuharth Law Office	300.00	Jacobson Implement, Inc	3,878.25
Midstates Wireless	357.50	NDPERS- Insurance	14,599.49
NDPERS-Retirement	7,698.68	OEI	8,754.74
Oakes True Value	214.41	Oakes Vet Service	30.00
Pitney Bowes	122.38	Quill	57.97
Rod's Cleaning	205.00	Sanitation Products	2,805.76
Seyer Plumbing and Heating	485.00	Streichers	72.97
Sweets & Stories	89.08	USA Blue Book	26.43
ND One Call	4.40	NDPERS 457	70.00
Capital Bank & Trust	50.00	Flex	2,340.00
FCCU	37.50	Bank of ND	23,970.00
Dakota Valley Electric	2,592.60	JT Homan Enterprises	270.00
Med-Tech Resource Inc	60.39	ND Water & Pollution	60.00
Oakes Area Chamber of Commerce	67.00	Otter Tail Power Company	8,065.71
The Home Shop	485.15	Starion/PSN – Bank Fees	379.45
Payroll Taxes	13,389.08	Salaries	40,547.31

Committee Reports:

Mowers, Strutz moved, Forward second to purchase two mowers from RDO, Fargo for \$18,000.00 each, carried. Current mowers will be placed on bids to sell. **Job Development Authority**, Forward moved, Conklin second to approve Mayor's appointment of Gary Schnell to Job Development Board, carried. **Circus**, the Oakes School has asked if the City would like to host the Jose Cole Circus on April 15th, discussion was held and a letter will be sent to the School Board declining offer due to lack of seating in the Armory.

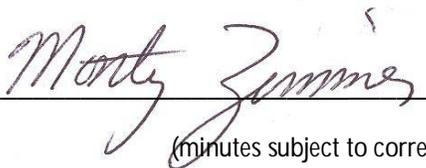
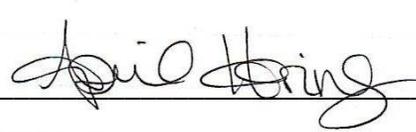
No New Business.

Announcements & Correspondence:

Notice of Continued Hearing, for Merricourt Wind Power Project on March, 19, 2015 at Ashley.
Street Improvement Assessment Project Protest Hearing scheduled for February 26th, 5pm at Armory.

Strutz asked Council to consider annexation, discussion was held regarding reasoning.

Strutz moved, Harris second to adjourn meeting at 6:35 PM.

MAYOR  ATTEST 
(minutes subject to correction and approval at the next regular meeting)