

Dawson City Council Minutes  
February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
5:30 p.m.

The Dawson City Council met in regular session Tuesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. at the Dawson City Hall Council Chambers. The meeting was also available via Zoom.

Councilpersons present: Jeff Fish, Jeff Olson, Vince Adelman, Dean Petersen. Absent: Councilman Charlie Prestholdt and Councilman Steve Tufto. Also Present: Mayor Randy Tensen, Acting City Manager Jill Kemen, Deputy Clerk Kristin Daline, Public Works Superintendent Kurt Collins, City Attorney Rick Stulz, Lauren Olson and Burt Faehn. Dave Falness joined via Zoom at the beginning of the meeting, and got off when the 10 minute public forum was closed.

Mayor Tensen called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm and everyone repeated the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Petersen motioned to approve the agenda with a second from Councilman Fish. Voting in favor Councilman Petersen, Councilman Adelman, Councilman Olson, Councilman Fish. Absent: Councilman Prestholdt and Councilman Tufto. Against: None. Motion Passed.

Councilman Fish motioned to approve consent agenda item February 1<sup>st</sup> Council Meeting Minutes, with a second from Councilman Petersen. Voting in favor Councilman Petersen, Councilman Adelman, Councilman Olson, Councilman Fish. Absent: Councilman Prestholdt and Councilman Tufto. Against: None. Motion Passed.

10 Minute Public Forum

Mayor Tensen opened the 10 minute public forum at 5:32 pm. Hearing nothing, Mayor Tensen closed the 10 minute public forum at 5:32 pm.

Mayor Tensen opened the regular meeting at 5:33 pm.

Public Works Superintendent Kurt Collins Report

Collins reported that the skid loader and blower is in. It works great for a quick cleanup. Colin and Nick will be attending a Water refresher class in March. Colin will take the exam.

Interim City Manager Jill Kemen's Report

Kemen reported another leak at the library on the apartment side. Water ran down the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> floor walls. Kemen and Colin, who was on the roof to assess and Kevin Kemen, apartment manager had a teleconference with Herzog Roofing and Collaborative Design Group. Herzog roofing thought the leak was coming from the slant roof because of the nails. They plan to come in March to do a flood test to see where the water is coming in. When the roof was replaced, they replaced an insert that may have already been cracked when installed. Lac qui Parle Computer Commuter is for information only. Mary will be done in June. A celebratory party in April or May will be held in Dawson for the communities in which the Computer Commuter served. Phase 2 went out for bids at noon today. Kemen said that anyone who wants to follow, can go to Widseth.com. There are already 3 prime contractors interested. Bids will close at 11:30 am March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Anthony Reyes started as a police officer on Monday. He is currently looking for a house or apartment to rent in Dawson.

The County met today and discussed extra money in the small cities development program fund. Kemen, and Madison City Manager Val Halvorson were contacted to see if there would be a need for these funds. The County board voted to divide the money evenly to Dawson and Madison, each receiving \$14,278.80. On motion from Councilman Olson and a second from Councilman Petersen to accept the small cities development money from the County. Voting in favor Councilman Petersen, Councilman Adelman, Councilman Olson and Councilman Fish. Absent: Councilman Prestholdt and Councilman Tufto. Against: None. Motion Passed.

#### Ordinances and Resolutions

A pay request was provided by Kuechle Underground. A subcontractor turned in a bill from work done in late fall. Councilman Olson motioned with a second from Councilman Petersen to approve the pay request #13 of \$33,473.4 for Kuechle Underground. Voting in favor: Councilman Petersen, Councilman Fish, Councilman Adelman and Councilman Olson. Absent: Councilman Tufto and Councilman Prestholdt. Against: None. Motion Passed.

Canby Farmer's Grain would like to transfer two parcels of land to the City. The two parcels are located North of The Duck where the old feed mill was located. Councilman Fish motioned with a second from Councilman Petersen to accept the two parcels. Voting in favor: Councilman Petersen, Councilman Fish, Councilman Adelman and Councilman Olson. Absent: Councilman Tufto and Councilman Prestholdt. Against: None. Motion Passed.

Hilltop Bar & Grill has completed the paperwork to renew their liquor license. Councilman Fish motioned with a second from Councilman Petersen to approve the liquor license. Voting in favor: Councilman Petersen, Councilman Fish, Councilman Adelman and Councilman Olson. Absent: Councilman Tufto and Councilman Prestholdt. Against: None. Motion Passed.

Dawson Bowl has completed the paperwork to renew their liquor license. Councilman Fish motioned with a second from Councilman Olson to approve the liquor license. Voting in favor: Councilman Petersen, Councilman Fish, Councilman Adelman and Councilman Olson. Absent: Councilman Tufto and Councilman Prestholdt. Against: None. Motion Passed.

#### Old Business

City Engineer is working with HME's engineer about sub grading and utility placement for the apartment building.

#### New Business

Kemen reported that Dawson Boyd Baseball Association is looking at getting a strong beer liquor license. Discussion was had about rules, capping the alcohol content at 5.8% and Sunday liquor licenses.


#### Miscellaneous Announcements

Jill and Kristin will be attending the MCFOA conference in St. Cloud March 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> and the League of Minnesota Cities conference in Duluth June 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>. Kim will be covering the office on those days.

Adjourn Meeting

Hearing nothing else, on motion by Councilman Fish with a second by Councilman Petersen to adjourn the meeting. Voting in favor Councilman Adelman, Councilman Fish, Councilman Olson and Councilman Petersen. Absent: Councilman Tufto and Councilman Prestholdt. Against: None. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.



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Deputy City Clerk



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Mayor