

Dawson City Council Minutes
May 21st, 2024
5:30 pm

Councilpersons present: Charlie Prestholdt, JT Schacherer, Vince Adelman, Jeff Olson, David Hansen and Jake Bothun. Others present: Mayor Randy Tensen, City Manager Jill Kemen, City Clerk Kristin Daline, Public Works Supervisor Colin Lee, Wastewater Operator Nathan Grengs, City Attorney Rick Stulz, City Engineer Jeff Kuhn, Jim Michels and Duane Hastad.

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

Councilman Schacherer motioned to approve the agenda. Second from Councilman Olson. Voting in favor Councilman Bothun, Councilman Hansen, Councilman Adelman, Councilman Olson, Councilman Schacherer and Councilman Prestholdt. Voting against: None. Motion passed.

Councilman Olson motioned to approve consent agenda item 4, May 7th, 2024, Council Minutes with a second from Councilman Schacherer. Voting in favor Councilman Bothun, Councilman Hansen, Councilman Adelman, Councilman Olson, Councilman Schacherer and Councilman Prestholdt. Voting against: None. Motion passed.

10 Minute Public Forum

Duane Hastad asked when the seeders will be coming back to reseed the boulevards. Kuhn said there is some cleanup to do after paving was done and doesn't have a timeline for the seeders return. With nothing more to discuss, Mayor Tensen closed the 10-Minute public forum at 5:32 pm.

Public Works Superintendent Kurt Collin's Report reported by Wastewater Operator, Nathan Grengs
The pool floor is in need of repair. Nathan had J & J Pool Service come out on Saturday to assess the damage and also prepped the floor for repair, with the hope of having it repaired by the end of this week. The repairs will need one day to cure before the pool can be filled. Nathan is still hopeful for a June 3rd opening day. The city crew will be flushing hydrants next week Wednesday. There was some vandalism that occurred at the corner bathroom/dump station over the weekend. Council discussed installing cameras.

City Engineer Jeff Kuhn gave an update on the street project. The paving crew has left town. Ryan's is repairing the curb machine at their location to ensure it works before bringing it back to town. Curbing will be done in the new development followed by paving. Kuhn is unsure why they put the tac down on Chestnut between 5th and 6th street. The bulk of the cement work will be done in the new development. There are a few driveways that need to be repaired and a sidewalk to be addressed. There is still work to be done on the railroad tracks and sidewalk work by the 6th street track. The entrance of Diagonal Street off of 6th street was discussed. With the amount of truck traffic leaving AGP turning onto 6th Street, the road has considerable wear and tear from the tires turning. A cost share with AGP was brought up. Jill will have another conversation with Mark McCormick at AGP. Council questioned areas around the Post Office, Elm and 11th Streets

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that have sagging curbs due to compaction issues, a large bump heading southbound before the bridge and Chestnut Street repair. Council also voiced concerns on the 5th street railroad tracks as far as the grade. The baseball/football field road was discussed briefly. Kuhn will be getting the city a few options to repair the street. A committee meeting will be set up to discuss the options. Mayor Tensen spoke with a resident who suggested the city plant trees in the new development along the back portion of the lots to make it look more like a community.

City Manager Jill Kemen's Report

Employee Plus has two applicants for the City Manager position for the city to consider. If the Council would like to move forward a Special Meeting will be needed for interviews. One of the candidates is out of state, so that interview will be virtual. Jill suggested next Tuesday during the day sometime. Jill will notify Council of a time.

The Ehlers snapshot of the city's debt provided in the packet is for information only. Ehlers will be doing a water rate study for the city as soon as the office can get the information to them to do so.

Kim Miller has given her notice. There is an add in the paper for a summer intern for just three months.

Old Business

No old business was brought.

New Business

Dawson Fire Relief has submitted an application for a liquor license for Riverfest weekend. On motion from Councilman Prestholdt with a second from Councilman Schacherer. Voting in favor Councilman Bothun, Councilman Hansen, Councilman Adelman, Councilman Olson, Councilman Schacherer and Councilman Prestholdt. Voting against: None. Motion passed.

JMHS Ambulance submitted a request for support. This is a budgeted item each year. On motion from Councilman Bothun with a second from Councilman Hansen to approve the request for \$10,627.49. Voting in favor Councilman Bothun, Councilman Hansen, Councilman Adelman, Councilman Olson and Councilman Prestholdt. Councilman Schacherer abstained. Voting against: None. Motion passed.

Ordinances and Resolutions

A resolution accepting grant navigator funds of \$4,000 from the League of MN Cities was presented. Jill submitted an application for the grant to get support for the duplex project. Councilman Olson motion to accept the funds with a second from Councilman Schacherer. Voting in favor Councilman Bothun, Councilman Hansen, Councilman Adelman, Councilman Olson, Councilman Schacherer and Councilman Prestholdt. Voting against: None. Motion passed.

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Miscellaneous Announcements

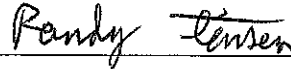
The next city council meeting will be Tuesday, June 7th at 5:30 pm. Unless there is a special meeting, June will start with having one meeting a month through the month of August.

Hearing nothing else, on motion by Councilman Schacherer with a second from Councilman Hansen to adjourn the meeting. Voting in favor Councilman Bothun, Councilman Hansen, Councilman Adelman, Councilman Olson, Councilman Schacherer and Councilman Prestholdt. Voting against: None. Absent: Councilman Schacherer. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:28 pm.



Kristin Daline, City Clerk



Randy Tensen, Mayor