

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Scott Decker called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM

II. ROLL CALL

Present were: President Scott Decker, Vice President John Odermann,
Commissioners Jason Fridrich, Suzi Sobolik and Robert Baer

Telephone: None

Absent: None

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Lead by Girl Scout Troop 86710.**2. ORDER OF BUSINESS**

MOTION BY: Robert Baer

SECONDED BY: Suzi Sobolik

To approve the March 19, 2024 meeting as presented.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 5, Nay 0, Absent 0
Motion declared duly passed

3. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION BY: Robert Baer

SECONDED BY: Suzi Sobolik

A. Approval of Meeting Minutes dated March 19, 2024.

B. Approval of Accounts Payable, Commerce Bank and Checkbook

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 5, Nay 0, Absent 0
Motion declared duly passed

4. ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE**A. Memorial Park Renaming**

City Administrator Dustin Dassinger presents a resolution to rename the Memorial Park to Veterans Memorial Park. He states in the best interests of the City to offer support to Dickinson Parks and Recreation regarding the renaming of Memorial Park to Veterans Memorial Park.

Commissioner John Odermann states this is good to finally have the name changed. The Veterans have done an amazing job at the park.

MOTION BY: Robert Baer

SECONDED BY: John Odermann

Adopt Resolution No. 18-2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 18 - 2024**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF RENAMING MEMORIAL PARK IN THE CITY OF DICKINSON, NORTH DAKOTA**

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 5, Nay 0, Absent 0
Motion declared duly passed

B. Gaming Site Authorization for American Legion Mathew Brew

City Administrator Dustin Dassinger presents a Gaming Site Authorization for the Sanford's Grub and Pub. This site authorization will be held by American Legion Mathew Brew. He lists the kinds of gaming they will be having from 7/1/2024-6/30/2025.

MOTION BY: Suzi Sobolik

SECONDED BY: John Odermann

To approve the Gaming Site Authorization for American Legion Mathew Brew for Sanford's Grub and Pub.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 5, Nay 0, Absent 0
Motion declared duly passed

To approve the purchase of a Elgin Pelican sweeper from Sanitation Products in the amount of \$278,413.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 5, Nay 0, Absent 0
Motion declared duly passed

Commissioner Robert Baer visits about the shredded paper in the recycling bins. He asks PW Director Praus to update the public on what the City would prefer and what is being done with the shredded paper.

Public Works Director Aaron Praus gives a quick summary of what the City would like to see with the shredded paper as it is a contamination source for all recycling. He states bags tear open and contaminate other material He states what was done previously is that you could bring the paper to the baler building and there is a bin for it. He states the City does not have enough paper to make any revenue off of it. He states it is a dead commodity to the City.

6. PUBLIC SAFETY

A. Fire Department

Reports:

1. None

B. Police Department

1. None

7. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

A. Public Hearing – Woodworth Future Land Use Map Amendment

City/County Planner Steven Josephson presents a request to amend the Future Land Use Map from Industrial to Agricultural for a parcel of unplatted land. This consists of 27.83 acres. Planner Josephson states this is a second reading with no changes from the first reading.

MOTION BY: John Odermann
To approve second reading and final passage of Ordinance No. 1794.

SECONDED BY: Suzi Sobolik

ORDINANCE NO. 1794
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 5, Nay 0, Absent 0
Motion declared duly passed

B. Public Hearing – Rezone Request – Woodworth

City/County Planner Steven Josephson presents a rezone request from Industrial to Agricultural for a parcel of unplatted land. This is the second reading with no changes from the first reading.

MOTION BY: Suzi Sobolik
To approve second reading and final passage of Ordinance No. 1795.

SECONDED BY: John Odermann

ORDINANCE NO. 1795
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE DISTRICT ZONING MAP FOR REZONING AND RECLASSIFYING DESIGNATED LOTS, BLOCKS OR TRACTS OF LAND WITHIN THE EXTRATERRITORIAL ZONING JURISDICTION OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, NORTH DAKOTA.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 5, Nay 0, Absent 0
Motion declared duly passed

C. 2024 Sidewalk Program SID

Engineer and Community Development Director Joshua Skluzacek presents a resolution for the 2024 Sidewalk Program. He states this a voluntary program which residents can ask to have their sidewalks improved and to assess the charge to their property. He states this will be a 10-year program at 5.9% interest rate.

Deputy City Administrator Linda Carlson states this was established on what the ten (10) year treasury bill was at the prime rate plus 1.5% interest.

Commissioner John Odermann states he is in support of the sidewalk program but why the additional 1.5% interest added onto insult to injury. He states for a lot of people this is an issue.

Commissioner Robert Baer states he feels this resolution should be tabled until the city can work this out better for the citizens.

MOTION BY: John Odermann
SECONDED BY: Suzi Sobolik
Adopt Resolution No. 21-2024 pending future discussion.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 2024
A RESOLUTION CREATING SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 202405-1 OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON AND AUTHORIZING THE IMPROVEMENTS AND ASSESSMENTS

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 5, Nay 0, Absent 0
Motion declared duly passed

D. East Broadway Dam Agreement

Engineer and Community Development Director Joshua Skluzacek presents a grant contract with the North Dakota State Water Commission to fund a portion of the engineering services cost-share of 75-percent not to exceed as specified in the contract of **\$106,908.00**. Moore Engineering, Inc. was scored the highest and awarded the project. The City Attorney has reviewed this contract, and has no additional comments. The project was approved with the 2024 capital improvement project budget, and it is to be paid for using Gross Production Tax. Barr Engineering is currently working on the engineering for this project.

MOTION BY: Robert Baer
SECONDED BY: John Odermann
To approve the East Broadway Dam Agreement with the North Dakota State Water Commission.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 5, Nay 0, Absent 0
Motion declared duly passed

E. Engineering and Community Development Monthly Report

Engineer and Community Development Director Joshua Skluzacek presents the monthly Engineering and Community Development Report. He states an offer has been made to a Project Engineer. He states Planning has been working on the Transportation Master Plan and Comp Plan update. He states newer development applications are at a slower pace then prior. Director Skluzacek reviews the projects and also updates the Commission on GIS happenings.

President Scott Decker invites the public to the Fire Departments open house on April 3, 2024 from 7-10 a.m.

8. PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENTS NOT ON AGENDA – 5:00 P.M.

A. Parks and Rec Annual Report

Executive Director Benjamin Rae presents the annual report for the Dickinson Parks and Rec Department and West River Community Center. He states they have been presenting to the public what the community center does. They have received the National Award of Excellence and were in the top 5 of the country. He highlights the golf course which has an updated irrigation system and cart storage building. Also, turf was replaced at the ball

park and two playgrounds. The community center renovated the large slide and added lines for pickle ball in the tennis court. He also updates the Commission on the new locks for the hockey club and put out a community center survey. Plans for the 2024 season is replacement of the playground at Pleasant Valley Park and adding playground at the DSU sports complex, and the renovation of the DSU tennis courts. The community center has received a \$50,000 grant from Marathon for improvements to the Crooked Crane Trail. Mr. Rae thanks the Commission and the City for all their support.

Commissioner John Odermann thanks Mr. Ray for the collaborative approach and the open-minded approach is appreciated as they are doing a great job.

B. Dickinson State University Presentation

President Stephen Easton from Dickinson State University thanks the City Commission for keeping DSU in the loop and having DSU present quarterly. He also thanks the City for the financial support. He updates the Commission on the agriculture arena and rodeo renovations. He visited about the \$25 million dollar building and the upgrades that he would like to see done to the building so that rodeos can be held in this building. At this time the current arena is not large enough for roping events. He states the college is to raise \$4 million dollars in order get the state funds. He discusses the warm up areas that are needed during the winter events. He states the facility will attract more people to Dickinson for the weekends. President Easton states that half of the funding will be used in other areas of the arena such as the outside of the building. This would be used to spiff up the bricks and motor of the building. He would like to see the outside of the building change to gray from yellow.

Commissioner Robert Baer questions the accessibility to the classrooms upstairs on the second floor or if an elevator will be provided.

President Scott Decker feels this project will benefit the entire community and also bring many people to Dickinson for events. Then the hotels, restaurants, and others will benefit from the events. The challenge is getting more and more people to help out. He is thankful for the cooperation between DSU, Public Schools and CTE as these are all benefitting the city at this time.

President Easton appreciates the City's consideration to the project. He states if everyone works together this will be a big part of the community.

Commissioner John Odermann thanks Dr. Easton for the presentation and states without DSU Dickinson would not be what it is. He states what DSU has provided over the past 100+ years with education and professionalism to the community he feels Dickinson thrives when the everyone supports each other. Commissioner Odermann is supportive of this project and hopes to finance to the level they are asking for.

C. Public Hearing – Sims Facility Plan for SRF Loan

Engineering and Community Development Director Josh Skluzacek presents a public hearing in regards to the SRF loan. This project would be Sims Street- 9th Street East to Museum Drive. This would be a low interest rate of 2% for 30 years. This would be for storm water improvements from 10th all the way up to the interstate. This would add storm water improvements on Museum Drive and inlets will mitigate risks.

Apex Engineering Scott Schneider states the SRF loan which has been widely used during collection systems. This would be an upgrade to Sims street collection improvements and it would eliminate 1 lift station. He states instead of upgrading lift stations this improvement would take place. Mr. Schneider states this facility plan addresses for actually utilization loan for Sims Street projects which will be constructed this year.

President Scott Decker opens the public hearing at 5:53 p.m. Hearing no public comments, the hearing is closed at 5:55 p.m. and the following motion is made.

MOTION BY: John Odermann
Adopt Resolution No. 20-2024.

SECONDED BY: Robert Baer

