

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**APRIL 1, 2024**

Mayor Ward called the regular council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., April 1, 2024, at the Hankinson Community Center. Council members present were O’Hara, Bladow, Steffens, Roeder, Krump, and Heins. Others present were Mike Risky, Nick Pohl, and Angie Evans, City of Hankinson; Sam Hernandez, Municipal Judge; Deputy O’Hara, Richland County Law Enforcement; Bob Wurl, Ryan Wallock, and Nate Falk, Hankinson CDC; Grant Kuper, Bolton & Menk Inc.

Motion by Steffens/Krump to approve the regular meeting minutes from March 4, 2024. Carried.

Motion by Krump/Heins to approve an updated liquor license application for Bob Wallace Orchards LLC from an on & off sale producer’s license to on & off sale beer & wine license, effective 4-2-24. Roll call vote – Krump, Bladow, Roeder, Heins and Steffens, all aye. O’Hara – nay. Carried.

Deputy O’Hara discussed placing No U-Turn signs along Main Ave from the post office down to the fire hall. Risky will work on pricing out signage.

A motion made by Krump/Heins to accept the March law enforcement report. Carried.

Motion by Heins/Steffens to approve the March Municipal Judge’s report. Carried.

Councilman Steffens offered Resolution 24-02 Sale of City Property (parcel 48-2315-04265.000) to Black Rock Properties LLC for the construction of a new residence, contingent upon the receipt of approved building plans from buyer. Second by O’Hara. Roll call vote – Krump, Bladow, Roeder, O’Hara and Steffens – all aye. Heins abstained from vote. Carried.

Steffens offered Resolution 24-03 Resolution Establishing Sewer Use Rates effective June 1, 2024. Rates will increase from \$11.00 base rate per month to \$13.00 per month. Rates have not been increased since 2011. Second by Roeder. Roll call vote – Krump, Bladow, Roeder, O’Hara, Heins and Steffens – all aye. Carried.

Motion by Bladow/O’Hara to accept the March auditor’s financial report. Carried.

Krump/O’Hara made a motion to accept the March bills for payment, as presented. Carried.

First Community Credit Union (941)	\$5,037.30	Stitchery Unlimited	\$587.17
Bank Service Fees	\$417.87	Bolton & Menk Inc	\$4,573.00
NDPERS	\$3,856.54	Canon Financial Services Inc	\$99.00
FCCU	\$1,215.27	Otter Tail Power Co	\$4,570.15
NDPHIT	\$3,576.39	The Aurora Group Inc	\$1,474.50
City of Hankinson	\$72.16	Core & Main LP	\$729.49
Bank of ND	\$5,749.70	Sweeney Controls Company	\$4,593.08
ND Tax Commissioner	\$142.92	ND Sewage Pump & Lift Station Service	\$680.70
Dakota Valley Electric Cooperative	\$4,821.00	Column Software PBC	\$223.20
Red River Communications	\$656.07	Dacotah Paper Co	\$415.61
USPS	\$340.00	Core & Main LP	\$594.84
Hankinson Park District	\$967.22	Southeast Water Users	\$5,700.00
Hankinson Public Library	\$967.22	Jet-Way Multiple Services Inc	\$2,150.00
Hankinson Housing Authority	\$644.82	Ron Hubrig	\$20.00
Hankinson CDC	\$5,803.35	Loffler	\$271.50
Hankinson Park District	\$3,868.90	Lies, Bullis & Hatting PLLP	\$500.00
Hankinson Housing Authority	\$3,868.90	Dakota Water Solutions	\$52.00
Hankinson CDC	\$3,868.90	City of Fargo	\$14.00
Hankinson Public Recreation	\$1,130.64	Sean Johnson	\$236.49
City Payroll	\$20,628.57	Ehlert Excavating Inc	\$12,000.00
Angie Evans	\$50.00	Nick Pohl	\$233.16
Nick Pohl	\$50.00	ND Child Support Division	\$382.00
Kristi Kelley	\$50.00	Farmer's Union Oil of Southern Valley	\$175.00
Mike Risky	\$50.00	Wahpeton Daily News	\$94.16
Sean Johnson	\$50.00	Richland County Recorder	\$5.30
Richland County Administration	\$2,900.00	Dakota Veterinary Hospital of Wahpeton	\$24.00
ND One Call Inc	\$16.90	Verizon	\$42.50
Richland County Sheriff's Office	\$40.00	Hankinson Public School	\$100.00
Sweeney Controls Company	\$1,315.16	Post's Hardware Hank	\$112.04
Summit Fire Protection	\$3,295.00	TG Sanitation Inc	\$6,343.08
Lee Stein	\$85.00		

Motion to approve the March Consent Agenda made by Krump/Steffens as follows: Transfer Balances: \$12,896.33 from 225 City Sales Tax Fund to 535 Community Center Operations/Building Permits: None; Gaming Permits: None; Liquor Licenses: None. Carried.

Damaged fire hydrant near 101 Main Ave S from an accident in October was discussed. A bid from Comstock Construction was received. Insurance company will only pay \$21,700.00, as they are depreciating the new fire hydrant at 50%, as they pay Actual Cash Value, not Replacement Cost Value. Kelley was instructed to not sign the release for payment at this time.

Sewer repairs were completed at 301 2nd St NW that impacted the city's sewer main. A payment towards that work will be made in the amount of \$12,000.00. Remaining curb and asphalt repairs will be made at a later date this summer. At that time, the remaining balance will be approved and paid.

Pohl requested to purchase Altosid Briquets for mosquito control in standing water. Motion by Roeder/Heins to approve the purchase of one case for \$1,049.00 plus including shipping & handling. Carried.

Motion by Bladow/Krump to complete paperwork with Vector Disease Control International LLC to perform aerial mosquito control for 2024 for \$2,655.00 per application. The VDCI will be in contact with Pohl regarding applications before performing the spraying. Carried.

Hopewell 360 spoke to the council via an online meeting request. They presented some ideas on developing some land for housing and asked the council for opinions on

Krump offered 1st reading of Ordinance 2024-01 Amending Ordinance 10.503 Unlawful Property Nuisance. The amended ordinance will add shipping containers, dumpsters, roll-off containers, and portable storage units as prohibited use in residential areas.

Motion by Steffens/Bladow to approve an updated three-year lease with Jared Pankow for parcel 30-0000-05627.100 for tillable farmland. Carried.

O'Hara offered Resolution 24-04 Resolution Approving the Issuance of Housing Authority Revenue Bonds and Authorizing an Operation and Maintenance Deficit Agreement. Roll call vote – Krump, Bladow, Roeder, O'Hara, Heins and Steffens, all aye. Carried.

Motion by Krump/Roeder to approve auditor to sign Tank Monitor Rental Agreement with Farmer's Union of Southern Valley for \$35/tank. Carried.

O'Hara/Heins made a motion to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Carried.

The next regular city council meeting will be held May 6, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at Hankinson Community Center.

Adam Ward, Mayor

Kristi Kelley, Auditor

Minutes subject to council approval.