Colome City Council

Regular Meeting Minutes

November 7th, 2023

Mayor Brad Hill called the meeting of the Colome City Council to order at 7:00 PM at the Colome City Hall. The council members present were Dougherty, Duffy, Heese, and Nelsen. Beckers and Leighton were absent. Also present were Utility Manager Casey Harter, Finance Officer Bobbi Harter, Law/Code Enforcement Officer David Baker, Accountant Dan DeSmet, and City Attorney Alvin Pahlke. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Agenda Discussion/Corrections/Approve**

Motion by Heese second by Dougherty to approve the agenda as written; motion carried 4-0.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Nelsen second by Dougherty to Approve Regular Minutes from October 10th, 2023, motion carried 4-0.

**Recognition of Visitors**

Julene Lupke was called in on teleconference she discussed with council her utility billing.

**No Public Input**

**Department Reports**

Utility manager Casey Harter gave his report along with the discussion of safety on Hwy 183 south.

Law/Code Enforcement Officer David Baker gave his report.

**Committee Reports**

There was discussion over Ordinance 2023-2 regulation transaction of alcohol the discussion has been continued to December’s meeting.

**Financial Report**

Accountant Dan DeSmet discussed the financials for October with the council.

**Approval of Claims**

Motion by Duffy second by Heese to pay October claims, motion carried 4-0.



**Old Business:**

*Nuisance*

There was Discussion on the properties that are in violation of city ordinances.

*Cemetery*

Mayor Hill entertained a motion to enter executive session at 8:30 pm for litigation matters per SDCL 1-25-2(3), Heese made the motion to enter executive session. Nelson seconded. Motion carried 4-0

Motion by Dougherty second by Heese to exit from executive session at 9:01 pm for litigation matters per SDCL 1-25-2(3), motion carried 5-0.

Upon exit motion was made by Duffy second by Heese to have a letter wrote up and sent to the family of J.W. Thomas.

*Blk 16 Lot 11*

We as the Plaintiff went before the judge for an order for service by publication of Summons for quiet title action on this property. This has been published 4 times and we are now moving to the next step in receiving an insurable title.

**New Business:**

*First reading of Ordinance 2023-6 Supplemental Appropriation*

Motion by Dougherty Second by Duffy to approve first reading of Ordinance 2023-6 a Supplemental Appropriation Dougherty aye, Duffy aye, Heese aye, Nelsen aye; the motion carried.

*First reading of Ordinance 2023-7 Supplemental Appropriation*

Motion by Dougherty Second by Heese to approve first reading of Ordinance 2023-7 a Supplemental Appropriation Dougherty aye, Duffy aye, Heese aye, Nelsen aye; the motion carried.

*Alcohol Beverage License 2024 Renewals*

Motion by Heese Second by Nelsen to approve the American Legion retail on-sale Liquor license for year 2024 Motion carried 4-0

Motion by Duffy Second by Heese to approve the Frontier Bar LLC retail on-sale and Package off-sale liquor licenses for year 2024. Dougherty abstained due to conflict-of-interest Motion carried 3-0

*Christmas Decorations/Christmas in Colome*

Melody Heese asked the council if the city would decorate the tree with lights out in front of the offices with the donations that are received.

*Employee Evaluation*

The HR Committee will set up a time before the next city meeting to complete the annual evaluation of Finance Officer Bobbi Harter.

*Building Permits*

Motion by Heese seconded by Dougherty to approve Donald Herrlein’s building permit 2023.17 Addition to North of Home. Motion carried 4-0

Motion by Dougherty seconded by Heese to approve Donald Herrlein’s building permit 2023.18 Concrete Driveway. Motion carried 4-0

Motion by Duffy seconded by Dougherty to approve Michael Rohde’s building permit 2023.19 Storage Shed. Motion carried 4-0

Motion by Heese seconded by Nelsen to approve Michael Rohde’s building permit 2023.20 Enclosed Deck/porch. Motion carried 4-0

Motion by Duffy seconded by Nelsen to approve Brian Odden’s building permit 2023.21 Addition/Garage. Motion carried 4-0

**No Executive Session:**

Motion by Heese second by Duffy to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 pm; Motion carried 4-0

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Brad Hill, Mayor

ATTEST:

Finance Officer, Bobbi Harter

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