

## Cooperstown City Council

March 6, 2017 – City Hall – 7:00 PM

Mayor Paintner called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Members present included Paul Paintner, Nic Zimprich, Lee Watne, Rick Cushman, Bryan Ressler, Welton Cochrane and Tim Erickson. Others in attendance: Blaine Larson, Nancy Lunde, Chad Johnson, Phyllis Ratcliffe, Nathan Johnson, Torrey Reutter, Connie Doering, David Harildstad and Cole Neset.

**Agenda & Minutes:** Cushman moved, Zimprich seconded, to approve the agenda with additions. Motion carried unanimously. The minutes from the February 6, 2017 meeting were approved with a motion from Cochrane, seconded by Erickson. Motion carried unanimously.

**Neset Land Surveys:** Cole Neset gave information to the council regarding the survey and corrections made to the plat on the west side of town. After the plat map has been approved there will be an update in the titles of owners within the plat. All owners of property within the plat will be asked to sign and it will be recorded at that time. They will then proceed with a quiet title action and there will be a ratification of plat filed. Cole asked for a motion to approve a preliminary plat. MSC Cushman, Zimprich to approve a preliminary plat with parcels owned by the City of Cooperstown which includes a drain which runs from north to south on the west side of town (lot 2 of block 1) and lot 4 of block 1. Motion carried unanimously. There was discussion from the council regarding the drain. They requested 35 feet of right-of-way next to the drain to allow for equipment to have access to the drain. After much discussion, Ressler moved, Cushman seconded, to approve the adoption of the replat with the changes that were discussed. Phyllis Ratcliffe will draft the resolution approving this. Motion carried unanimously. Cole stated the abstract would be given back to the city after this process has been completed.

**Torrey Reutter:** Torrey Reutter came to the council with concerns over a new business that may be coming to Cooperstown. He feels the addition of a Dollar General store would be a detriment to the town. The existing stores in town carry most of the items that this store will carry. There was discussion between council members of how the addition of this business would impact the city. Nancy Lunde stated that the land that they have inquired about is owned by the Park Board. Nancy Lunde has a copy of the quit claim deed showing ownership by the park board. This board will have their meeting in the next week to discuss the sale of their property.

**Moore Engineering:** Nancy Lunde reported the application for the CDBG grant has been completed and will be submitted for the city for the sewer project by Moore Engineering. Blaine Larson gave the council some background information on the Ditch Witch locator the city owns. The transmitter does not reach deep enough to use as a locator with the water transmission line. Moore Engineering has submitted information on a transmitter that can be used with the locator the city already owns which will reach many feet deeper. The purchase of this transmitter would be included as part of the project cost of the Water Transmission Line Project with 75% being paid by the Corps of Engineers grant and 25% or \$650.00 going on the

loan. Erickson moved, Watne seconded, to approve the purchase of a 12-watt transmitter for use with the Ditch Witch locating system. Motion carried unanimously.

**Ordinances:** There was discussion of 3 ordinances provided by Phyllis Ratcliffe to repeal and replace existing city ordinances. The ordinances now allow for issues of blight to be brought before the city council. There was a 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the following:

1. An ordinance to repeal and replace ordinance 2016-5 and to provide for an appeal process from decisions of the Administration Board of the City of Cooperstown, North Dakota.
2. An ordinance to repeal and replace ordinance no. 2015-4, and prohibiting maintaining a substandard, dangerous or blighted building or structure and providing for abatement of same.
3. An ordinance repealing and replacing ordinance no. 2015-3 and regulating abandoned vehicles and other personal property, the accumulation of junk, junk automobiles, trash, rubbish, building materials, noxious weeds/grass, nuisances, abatement of same, and providing a penalty for violation thereof.

**Dept. Reports:**

**WSS:** Blaine Larson reported on the activities of the city crew for the past month. They have installed many meters. 162 of the 200 meters have been installed. Blaine stated he would like to see a 3 month average to compare with previous usage.

**Auditor Report:** Cochrane moved, Erickson seconded, to approve a proclamation by the Mayor, proclaiming April 9, 2017 as National Service Recognition Day. Motion carried unanimously. Nancy Lunde provided the monthly financial report, payroll report and list of receipts. She asked the council to review the report submitted by Deputy Auditor Chris Olson.

**Bills:** The council reviewed the bills with discussion on several. The bills listed were approved to be paid with a motion from Erickson, seconded by Zimprich. There was a roll call vote with all members in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

**Permits:** Ressler moved, Cochrane seconded, to approve the GCC FCCLA Local Permit. Motion carried unanimously. Cushman moved, Ressler seconded, to approve the PEO Chapter W Local Permit. Motion carried unanimously. Cushman moved, Ressler seconded, to approve the Griggs County Soil Conservation District Building Permit. Motion carried unanimously.

**Old Business:** No old business discussed.

The next regular City Council meeting will be April 3, 2017. Ressler moved, Erickson seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

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Nancy Lunde, City Auditor

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Paul Paintner, Mayor

## March 2017 Bills Paid

PACE PAYMENT SYSTEMS	\$20.00
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	\$4,956.37
VERIZON WIRELESS	\$273.06
VISA	\$605.00
EFTPS	\$5,740.04
GRIGGS COUNTY RECORDER	\$4.00
ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS	\$64.40
COOPERSTOWN MUN AIRPORT AUTH	\$4,749.79
AMERIPRIDE SERVICES	\$73.90
ARROWWOOD PRAIRIE CO-OP	\$1,472.03
AVENET, LLC	\$995.00
BLAINE LARSON	\$61.95
BRAGER DISPOSAL SERVICE	\$6,663.00
BRIAN SAXBERG	\$50.00
BROWN & SAENGER	\$91.76
CENTRAL PLAINS AG SERVICES	\$100.00
CHAD JOHNSON	\$35.00
CHARLES DEHOFF	\$48.50
CHRISTINE OLSON	\$35.00
CITY OF FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA	\$24.00
COOPERSTOWN MEDICAL CENTER	\$95.60
COACHMAN INN	\$184.00
COOPER MECHANICAL INC.	\$870.67
COOPERSTOWN TRUE VALUE	\$1,672.47
CRAIG BRISS	\$21.00
EMERGENCY TRAINING ASSOCIATES	\$1,583.34
FERGUSON WATERWORKS #2516	\$4,095.65
GRIGGS CO. WATER RESOURCE DIST	\$5,000.00
GRIGGS COUNTY TELEPHONE	\$738.05
H E EVERSON	\$267.60
HAWKINS INC	\$512.50
Heart of America Med. Center	\$576.00
HENRY SCHEIN INC.	\$49.36
HOLLY NEUBERGER	\$68.80
JERRY RAHLF	\$117.85
JULIE KELLER	\$141.50
LACEY DEHOFF	\$133.38
LAKE AGASSIZ DEV. CORP.	\$1,188.70
LAKE AGASSIZ WATER AUTHORITY	\$250.00
LEE GILBERTSON	\$19.16
GRIGGS COUNTY LIBRARY	\$6,412.16
LUMBER MART INC	\$759.20
MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATIONS	\$106.50
MILLERS FRESH FOODS	\$397.77
MOORE ENGINEERING INC	\$2,237.00
MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACADEMY	\$25.00
NANCY LUNDE	\$35.00
NANCY PAINTNER	\$137.44
NEW CENTURY PRESS	\$58.00

OTTER TAIL POWER CO	\$4,858.93
PACE PAYMENT SYSTEMS	\$0.00
COOPERSTOWN PARK BOARD	\$13,089.99
PREMIER SPECIALTY VEHICLES	\$273.39
RAMADA PLAZA SUITE FARGO	\$114.92
RANDY MYERS	\$83.60
RTS SHEARING	\$29,144.50
SHANE JOHNSON	\$159.90
STEPHEN SCOTT	\$150.00
SWEENEY CONTROLS CO.	\$1,650.00
T&M PROPERTIES LLC	\$5,400.00
THERESA IVERSON	\$230.83
TOWN & COUNTRY CO-OP	\$101.85
TYLER KELLER	\$193.46
V W MOTORS INC	\$561.52
Zoll Medical Corporation GPO	\$212.46
ND EMS ASSOCIATION	\$1,765.00
BOHLMAN PEST CONTROL	\$133.00
NODAK ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE	\$255.64
TOWN & COUNTRY CO-OP	\$420.70
COOPERSTOWN COMMUNITY CLUB	\$50.00
POSTMASTER	\$147.03
NDPERS	\$2,285.65