

Cooperstown City Council
Special Meeting
May 24, 2017 – City Hall – 7:00 AM

Mayor Paintner called the meeting to order at 7:00 am. Members present included Paul Paintner, Rick Cushman, Bryan Ressler, Lee Watne, Tim Erickson, Welton Cochrane & Nic Zimprich. Others in attendance: Blaine Larson, Chad Johnson, Randy Myers, Connie Doering, Troy Haugen, Craig Carlson, Brad Dewald & Nancy Lunde.

Flex Pace Program: The city council continued their discussion regarding approval of participation in a Flex PACE Fund interest rate buydown with the Bank of North Dakota for Town & Country. The council members discussed several options available to the city and the possibility of providing a partial grant and partial loan portion for the city's designated participation level of 20%. The council discussed possibly using the EDC to administer this program. The council understands that repayment of principal or interest on the loan from the community shall not commence until the Flex PACE interest buy down has been fully expended. The city's portion would be a 20% interest buydown which would be approximately \$52,466.00. Erickson moved, Ressler seconded, to approve participation in a Flex PACE Fund interest rate buydown with the Bank of North Dakota for Town & Country in the form of a 10% grant and 90% interest free loan for the community's portion of \$52,466.00. Repayment of the whole loan from the community shall not commence until the Flex PACE interest buy down has been fully expended, approximately 59 months. Motion carried unanimously.

Mowing: Blaine Larson presented a map to the council with all areas marked which should be included in the bids for mowing and an estimate of how many hours different parcels take to mow. Blaine will provide a better estimate of the hours each parcel takes to mow to have available for anyone bidding on the mowing. Nancy Lunde reported the ad requesting bids for mowing will be in the next 2 newspapers and she will bring the bids to the June 5 council meeting.

Weed Spraying: After discussion of the amount of chemical used by the city in a year, Cushman moved, Ressler seconded, to approve the purchase of a pump and shuttle of Roundup to be used for the spraying of weeds throughout the city. Motion carried unanimously.

Erickson moved, Zimprich seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:45am.

Nancy Lunde, City Auditor

Paul Paintner, Mayor