

**COOPERSTOWN CITY COUNCIL**  
**Regular Meeting    November 6, 2023**

The Cooperstown City Council met Monday, November 6, 2023, at 7:00 pm in the city council room. Present: Paul Paintner, Deb Eslinger, Steve Perry, Larry Olson, Seth Hanson, Charles Dehoff, and Allen Gruman. Others present: Public Works David Ludwig, Auditor Christine Olson, Deputy Auditor Naomi Trostad, and Kelce Brown. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Eslinger, seconded by Dehoff to approve October 2, 2023, regular meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hanson, seconded by Olson to approve October 9, 2023, special meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dehoff, seconded by Perry to approve October 16, 2023, special meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Perry, seconded by Olson to approve October 23, 2023, special meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Ludwig gave a report for the public works department. Over the past month summer equipment has been winterized and sewer repair work was completed on the 800 block of Foster Ave. Snow removal went well with the new employees. RTS Shearing has now postponed cement crushing until December; the council asked that other companies be contacted to see if they can come to get the job completed. Dave has passed his Class II water certification test; this is the final test needed. The council also requested that the Christmas décor be put up right after Thanksgiving. In November a curb stop will be dug up and replaced; weather permitting some alleys will be worked on.

Christine provided the auditor's report. The sheriff's office informed us that Craig Siek, whose property we had towed to the landfill, is back in town. If he doesn't contact us to start removing his things, he will be contacted. Brian Osowski will attend the December 4, 2023, meeting to talk about possible financing options on our most recent bond. Harold has submitted the 2019 and 2020 audit reports to the state. BCBSND rates will be increasing effective January 1, 2024. The health premium will increase by 6.2%, dental premium will increase from \$33.60 to \$35.70 for a single plan and from \$84.00 to \$89.30 for a family plan, vision premiums will remain the same. Motion by Gruman, seconded by Hanson to keep the city contributions the same at 91% of a single health plan and 83% of a family health plan, 75% of a single dental plan, and 50% of a single dental plan. Motion carried. The Capital Improvement Plan was presented, this is a working document and changes or adjustments can be made at any time. Motion by Hanson, seconded by Eslinger to adopt the Capital Improvement Plan as presented. Motion carried.

The financial report was presented. Motion by Olson, seconded by Dehoff to accept the financial report as presented. There was discussion regarding the Griggs County Sales Ratio Study from the State Board of Equalization and how it will affect our budget. The list of bills was presented. Motion by Eslinger, seconded by Olson to approve payment of the bills presented. Roll call vote with all voting aye, motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Perry, seconded by Eslinger to approve a building permit submitted by Charles Dehoff. Motion carried with Dehoff abstaining.

Motion by Eslinger, seconded by Dehoff to approve a building permit submitted by Justin Parsons. Motion carried.

Motion by Dehoff, seconded by Olson to approve a local permit submitted by GCC Archery. Motion carried.

Motion by Perry, seconded by Olson to approve a local permit submitted by Atchison Rifle Club. Motion carried.

Motion by Dehoff, seconded by Hanson to approve a local permit submitted by Knights of Columbus. Motion carried.

After discussion, the city Christmas party will be held on December 8, 2023, at Di's Oasis. In the past anyone who has worked for the city or served on city council has been invited. A suggestion was made to only invite current employees and those who have retired, and current council members; everyone agreed this would be okay.

Jeremy Clemens had contacted the city, and talked with Paul about his enclosed trailer that he felt the city water truck got too close to and scratched up. He will get quotes and if more than our deductible, a claim will be submitted.

Seth Hanson informed the council that he is resigning effective November 6, 2023, as he is moving outside of city limits.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Eslinger to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

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Christine Olson, Auditor

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Paul Paintner, Mayor

**1130 Citizens State**

110746e	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	11/1/2023	\$6,860.57	BLUE CROSS
110747e	VERIZON WIRELESS	11/26/2023	\$120.03	MIFI INTERNET
110748e	VISA	11/14/2023	\$264.00	Microsoft Office
110749e	BRAVERA BANK	11/1/2023	\$55.87	Deposit books
110750e	NDPERS	12/4/2023	\$3,141.79	RETIREMENT
110751e	EFTPS	12/4/2023	\$6,233.17	PAYROLL TAXES
114179	COOPERSTOWN MUN AIRPORT	11/6/2023	\$294.15	Property tax - Airport
114180	ARAMARK	11/6/2023	\$605.94	Towels, mops, mats
114181	ARROWWOOD PRAIRIE CO-OP	11/6/2023	\$916.54	Ambulance fuel
114182	BRAGER DISPOSAL SERVICE	11/6/2023	\$6,800.00	CITY HALL DUMPSTER
114183	BRITE WAY WINDOW CLEANING	11/6/2023	\$143.00	City hall window cleaning
114184	CASH	11/6/2023	\$117.33	Water sample postage
114185	CHRISTINE OLSON	11/6/2023	\$35.00	CELLPHONE
114186	CITY OF FARGO, NORTH DAKOT	11/6/2023	\$14.00	WATER SAMPLES
114187	COOPER IMPLEMENT CO., INC.	11/6/2023	\$69.09	Battery cable/battery
114188	COOPERSTOWN HARDWARE	11/6/2023	\$167.53	Shop supplies
114189	DAVID LUDWIG	11/6/2023	\$271.86	CELLPHONE
114190	ELLEFSON SALES EXCAVATING	11/6/2023	\$5,637.50	Culvert on 1st St
114191	EMERGENCY MEDICAL PRODUC	11/6/2023	\$2,382.11	Recertified Zoll AED Plus
114192	FERGUSON WATERWORKS #25	11/6/2023	\$210.80	Couplings
114193	FINLEY FARMERS ELEVATOR	11/6/2023	\$645.00	Grass seed - 150#
114194	GRIGGS COUNTY TELEPHONE	11/6/2023	\$625.80	AUDITOR
114195	H E EVERSON	11/6/2023	\$115.17	Shop supplies
114196	HAWKINS INC	11/6/2023	\$576.33	Azone
114197	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	11/6/2023	\$22.08	Riding mower tire
114198	JULIE KELLER	11/6/2023	\$155.00	October cleaning
114199	KRABbenhOFT SERVICE	11/6/2023	\$35.30	Tube and tire repair
114200	LEVAYS TREE REMOVAL SERVI	11/6/2023	\$3,595.00	Tree & stump at 1305 Burrel Ave
114201	GRIGGS COUNTY LIBRARY	11/6/2023	\$322.13	Property tax - Library
114202	MILLERS FRESH FOODS	11/6/2023	\$20.40	City hall kleenex/safety mtg food
114203	MOORE ENGINEERING INC	11/6/2023	\$5,742.51	2020-1 Street Project
114204	NANCY PAINTNER	11/6/2023	\$420.00	Mowing May to October at city hall
114205	NAOMI TROSTAD	11/6/2023	\$118.84	Cell phone
114206	NAPA AUTO CARE CENTER	11/6/2023	\$53.98	Freightliner mud flaps
114207	ND LEAGUE OF CITIES	11/6/2023	\$210.00	Annual drug testing fee
114208	ND ONE CALL, INC	11/6/2023	\$44.20	Tickets x 34
114209	NDDEQ	11/6/2023	\$18.54	Water sample
114210	NEW CENTURY PRESS	11/6/2023	\$233.84	10/2/23 minutes
114211	OTTER TAIL POWER CO	11/6/2023	\$3,024.77	CITY HALL
114212	COOPERSTOWN PARK BOARD	11/6/2023	\$2,507.71	Property tax - Park Board
114213	TEAM LABORATORY CHEMICAL	11/6/2023	\$4,068.00	Lagoon mega bugs
114214	TIM VARBERG	11/6/2023	\$35.00	Cell Phone
114215	HIGH PLAINS WATER	11/7/2023	\$18.00	Bottled water
114216	TOWN & COUNTRY CO-OP	11/8/2023	\$1,452.31	City fuel
114217	ELECTRIC PUMP	11/14/2023	\$1,502.50	West lift floats/hour meter/labor/mileage
114218	MARCO TECHNOLOGIES	11/14/2023	\$595.33	COPIER LEASE
114219	NODAK ELECTRIC COOPERATIV	11/14/2023	\$236.06	MAIN LIFT
114220	METRO-BILLING SERVICES	11/17/2023	\$480.00	Ambulance claims x 20
114221	POSTMASTER	11/22/2023	\$241.22	Utility bills postage
114222	CHRISTIAN	11/21/2023	\$55,686.50	2024 Dodge Ram 2500 Pickup
114223	MEDICA	11/27/2023	\$1,000.81	Overpayment on claim
114224	MARCO TECHNOLOGIES	11/27/2023	\$189.73	COPIER LEASE
114225	COOPER IMPLEMENT CO., INC.	11/27/2023	\$63,065.90	Kubota skid steer & attachments

114226	Briss, Craig	11/30/2023	\$369.40	
114227	Flatt, Terrah	11/30/2023	\$177.32	
114228	Keller, Julie M	11/30/2023	\$1,022.32	
114229	Ludwig, David O	11/30/2023	\$4,497.32	
114230	Martin, Amanda R	11/30/2023	\$426.53	
114231	Michaelis, Bennett W	11/30/2023	\$249.34	
114232	Moser, Christopher I	11/30/2023	\$203.17	
114233	Olson, Christine L	11/30/2023	\$3,220.75	
114234	Paintner, Nancy	11/30/2023	\$550.41	
114235	Paintner, Paul	11/30/2023	\$428.91	
114236	Urness, Mark	11/30/2023	\$608.58	
114237	Varberg, Timothy G.	11/30/2023	\$2,497.08	
114238	ZAUN, HANNAH, C	11/30/2023	\$313.06	
114239	ND CHILD SUPPORT DIVISION	12/1/2023	\$559.20	Remittance ID 204525
503015e	Monthly ACH	11/30/2023	\$13,094.23	
503017e	Monthly ACH	11/30/2023	\$1,050.31	
	<b>Total Checks</b>		<b>\$210,666.17</b>	