

February 9, 2018 Working Meeting

Council Members in Attendance were Nolan Frandsen, Davey Banks, Annette McLean, and Matt Greemore. Also in attendance were Mayor Tom Hyndman and Clerk Kristi Millhouse.

Meeting called to order at 5:16 pm.

FAIRGROUNDS WATER BILL: Twin Bridges Council met to discuss the Fairgrounds outstanding water from this past summer's water leak. The council agreed that they wanted to help the Madison County Fairgrounds with the bill since they are willing to pay for the repairs to the waterline going across the river. The council agreed that the Fairgrounds should pay half of the water loss that was charged during the summer and the \$780 addition to the power bill. The Council will also approve the Town to apply for a \$30,000 TSEP emergency grant to help with the repair costs.

Council also discussed that they needed a better understanding of what the fairground's plans are for the future. Annette asked how a ten inch line would affect the Town's water pumps. Why are they looking at a 10" line? Matt stated that when he asked about the 10" line he was told it was for fire suppression reasons. It would be 10" across the river and then branch out into 2" lines. Currently the Fairground has seven hookups to a 2" line. Nolan stated that we need to know the justification for the 10" line since the rest of the Town is an 8" line. Matt asked are they going to keep 2" lines on the other side and where is the meter going to go. The Council continued to discuss the different situations with the water line and agreed that they wanted a better understanding of what the Fairgrounds and Counties plans are for the water line. They will get some answers from Jeremiah at Great West Engineering.

Count Emergency Relief Plan: Tom notified the council that the County is updating their emergency plan, and they would like the council to approve their plan. Tom stated he didn't see anything major for changes other than a few names needed to be corrected.

Water and Sewer Rates: The council also looked at the proposed water and sewer rates. Matt did not like the rate for usage charge on the sewer and thought it should be a flat rate. Kristi explained that if we go with a flat rate on the sewer then we need to raise the rate by \$10.00.

Ordinance Updates: Tom asked the council if they would like to do one big work meeting to go through all of the ordinances or would like to do a couple at a time at the regular council meeting. Council agreed that they would prefer one work meeting to go through all changes.

Davey asked the rest of the council, if they would give some input on the business licenses and their thoughts on the marijuana business in Town. Discussion followed. Kristi will get a hold of Ennis and Havre and ask for a copy of their ordinance.

Further discussion and motions will be made at the regular council meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.