

**Rutland City Council
Minutes
November 4, 2019
Rutland Town Hall**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Narum. Council Members Erickson, Lysne, Mahrer and Siemieniewski present. City Auditor and City Engineer present.

Minutes: Mahrer/Lysne moved approval of the October 7, 2019 minutes as submitted. Motion carried (Aye – Lysne, Mahrer, Siemieniewski. Absent – Erickson).

Emergency Lagoon Repair Project: Tracy Eslinger provided an update on the Lagoon project financing. The request for additional funding through the Governor’s funding is being reviewed; an additional \$25,000 has been requested.

The contractor has submitted a second payment request of \$23,270.20. This would be a total payment to date of \$175,000; the contract amount is \$199,000. A retainage of \$8008.00 will be held until spring.

Siemieniewski/Lysne moved approval of payment of \$23,270.20 to DL Barkier at the Contractor’s Application for Payment No. 2. Motion carried on roll call vote: Aye – Erickson, Lysne, Mahrer, Siemieniewski. Nay – None.

Eslinger submitted Moore Engineering invoice #22299 in the amount of \$18,360.00 which is about 90% of the engineer’s contract.

Lysne/Siemieniewski moved approval of payment to Moore Engineering in the amount of \$18,360.00. Motion carried on roll call vote: Aye – Erickson, Lysne, Mahrer, Siemieniewski. Nay – none.

Eslinger submitted four complete copies of the Record Drawings for the City’s use. Moore Engineering has the digital copies if needed in the future.

Siemieniewski/Mahrer moved that the Mayor be authorized to sign the SRF Request for loan funds of \$41,630.00 to pay bills. Motion carried unanimously.

Eslinger said no punch list items were identified during inspection. There is a soft spot in the dike identified south of Cell #3 which will be inspected next year. The city’s one-year warranty period began October 8, 2019.

Eslinger said the final payment will be done in the spring after the seeding can be inspected once growth has started.

Eslinger said the City’s Lagoon project was on the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) priority list for funding. The project will be removed from the 2020 funding list. No other projects with the sewer lift, lagoon, or mains have been identified.

Radar Speed Signs: Erickson said the radar speed signs have not been installed due to the water. The posted can be installed at the North City limits and the solar powered sign can be used there until spring. When weather permits the trencher can dig the trench for the electric lines in the spring and then the solar sign will be moved to the South and the electrical/wired speed sign will be installed near the ballpark.

Drainage Flow: The Council discussed the water levels behind the shed and the blocked culvert. The ownership of the property from Drain 8 to the Township building needs to be verified.

2020 Meeting Schedule: Erickson/Lysne moved approval of the 2020 meeting schedule as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Financials: Erickson/Siemieniewski moved approval of the October 2019 financial reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Bills: Lysne/Siemieniewski moved approval of payment of bills:

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| ACH | Waste Management | \$ 78.24 | Hall garbage |
| ACH | Waste Management | 1636.60 | Garbage contract |
| 12882 | Richland County Sheriff | 28.00 | Garnishment service |
| 12883 | City of Fargo | 14.00 | Health water sample test |
| 12884 | Deborah Banish | 608.13 | October salary/supplies |
| 12865 | Dickey Rural Networks | 141.71 | Telephone |
| 12886 | John Deere Financial | 392.95 | Mower repair |
| 12887 | Larry Christensen | 42.00 | Meter reading |
| 12888 | Municipal Government Academy | 30.00 | City records webinar |
| 12889 | ND One Call | 1.20 | Line locate |
| 12890 | Otter Tail Power | 807.82 | Electricity |
| 12891 | Roger Pearson | 57.26 | October salary |
| 12892 | Ron Narum | 555.10 | October pay |
| 12893 | Sargent County Teller | 63.78 | Legals – Sept. |
| 12894 | Servicemaster of Oakes | 92.00 | Hall carpet cleaning |
| 12895 | Southeast Water Users | 687.90 | Sept. 229,300 gals |
| 12896 | US Postmaster | 70.00 | Utility postage stamps |
| 12897 | Vining Oil & Gas | 2409.00 | Hall propane: 2,200 gals. |
| 12898 | Dacotah Paper | 105.83 | Paper Products RCC |

Motion carried unanimously.

Delinquents: There are ten delinquent accounts at this time: One account is proceeding with wage garnishment.

Nelson's Driveway: The Council received and filed the letter from Josh and Brianne Nelson regarding the driveway repair and timeline. The letter was requested to insure both parties had the same information on when the repairs would be made to the driveway to prevent backup in adjacent properties.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

ATTEST:

Deborah Banish, City Auditor

Ronald Narum, Mayor

The next meeting will be Monday, December 2, 2019.