

City of Tea
Regular Meeting
June 21, 2010

A regular meeting of the Tea City Council was held at Tea City Hall on June 21, 2010 at 7:00.

Mayor John Lawler called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. with the following members present: Sidney Munson, Brian Fowlds, Chuck Ortmeier, Joe Weis and Todd Boots. Also present was Finance Officer Dawn Murphy, Planning & Zoning Administrator Kevin Nissen, Administrative Assistant/Economic Development Director Jenni White and Utility Superintendent Thad Konrad. Councilmember Herman Otten and City Engineer Jason Kjenstad were absent.

AGENDA. MOTION 10-126. MOTION by Weis, seconded by Boots to approve the June 21, 2010 Agenda. All members voted AYE.

MINUTES. MOTION 10-127. MOTION by Boots, seconded by Ortmeier to approve the June 7, 2010 minutes. All members voted AYE.

HIGHWAY 111 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT PAY REQUEST. MOTION 10-128. MOTION by Fowlds, seconded by Ortmeier to approve Pay Request 4 to Friessen Construction for the Highway 111 Improvement Project in the amount of \$275,004.80. All members voted AYE.

BRIAN ST. EXTENTION/271ST OVERLAY PROJECTS PAY REQUEST. MOTION 10-129. MOTION by Fowlds, seconded by Ortmeier to approve Pay Request 2 to Friessen Construction for the Brian St. Extension Phase 2 and 271st St. Overlay Projects in the amount of \$131,416.92. All members voted AYE.

ADESA PROPERTY. Mayor Lawler reported on the meeting he had with Lincoln County regarding the appearance of the Adesa property. Lincoln County asked that the city submit a letter to them stating we have received complaints regarding the appearance and their proposed expansion and we are asking Lincoln County to take action to have Adesa clean up the portion property that is within the county and not in compliance with their zoning and land use regulations. After the land is in compliance the city will then consider annexing the property and discuss the proposed expansion. **MOTION 10-130. MOTION** by Boots, seconded by Weis to authorize Mayor Lawler to send a letter to Lincoln County Planning and Zoning regarding the Adesa property. All members voted AYE.

ORDINANCE 203. The council held the first reading of Ordinance 203, Cable Services Franchise Ordinance. Currently Midcontinent Communications and Knology, Inc. have franchise agreements with the City which expire November 2, 2010. Dan Nelson from Midcontinent provided a copy of the ordinance recently approved by Harrisburg. There are no major changes to the ordinances. The second reading will be held at the July 19, 2010 meeting.

LWCF GRANT. Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) is a federal aid assistance program to help states provide outdoor recreation facilities. The program provides up to 50% reimbursement funds for acquisition and development of outdoor recreation projects. In the past we have received grants for playground equipment and land acquisition. Mayor Lawler, Dawn and Thad have discussed the grant and feels the best option would be to apply for playground equipment for the new Howling Ridge Park. **MOTION 10-131. RESOLUTION 10-06-15. MOTION** by Fowlds, seconded by Ortmeier to approve the LWCF Grant Sponsorship Resolution 10-06-15. All members voted AYE.

WHEREAS, the United States of America and the State of South Dakota have authorized the making of grants from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) to public bodies to aid in financing the acquisition and/or construction of specific public outdoor recreation projects;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That Mayor John Lawler is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the City of Tea with the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior, through the State of South Dakota, Department of Game, Fish and Parks, Division of Parks and Recreation, for an LWCF grant to aid in financing a modular play system, swing sets, benches and picnic tables for the City of Tea, South Dakota and its Environs.
2. That Mayor John Lawler is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the above mentioned federal and/or state agencies may reasonably request in connection with the application which is hereby authorized to be filed.
3. That the city of Tea shall provide a minimum of 50% of the total cost of the project; and will assume all responsibility in the operation and maintenance of the project upon completion of construction, for the reasonable life expectancy of the facility.

Dated this 21st day of June, 2010.

John M. Lawler, Mayor

ATTEST: Dawn R. Murphy, Finance Officer

PAY INCREASE. MOTION 10-132. MOTION by Fowlds, seconded by Ortmeier to approve the following pay increases from 8.75 to 9.25 per hour do to being WSI certified: Vanessa Johanneson, effective June 1; and Michael LeVan, effective May25. All members voted AYE.

COMMITTEE REPORTS. Tea Pot Day was discussed. Everything seem to go very good. The city needs to try to find more volunteers to help with the event. Something will be put in the Tea Weekly to ask for volunteers; Due to the 4th of July falling on Sunday and the 5th being a holiday, the next meeting will be held Tuesday July 6th. Mayor Lawler is still trying to find someone to conduct a background check on the police chief candidate.

MOTION 10-133. MOTION by Munson, seconded by Boots to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. All members voted AYE.

John M. Lawler, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dawn R. Murphy, Finance Officer

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