

City of Tea  
Regular Meeting  
April 15, 2013

A regular meeting of the Tea City Council was held at Tea City Hall on April 15, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor John Lawler called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Sidney Munson, Brian Fowlds, Chuck Ortmeier, Herman Otten, Joe Weis and Todd Boots. Also present was Finance Officer Dawn Murphy, Administrative Assistant/Economic Development Director Jenni White, Police Chief Clark Baker, Utility Superintendent Thad Konrad, Planning & Zoning Administrator Kevin Nissen and City Engineer Jason Kjenstad.

**AGENDA. MOTION 13-151. MOTION** by Ortmeier, seconded by Weis to approve the April 15, 2013 agenda. All members voted AYE.

**MINUTES. MOTION 13-152. MOTION** by Otten, seconded by Fowlds to approve the April 1, 2013 minutes. All members voted AYE.

**FIREWORKS ORDINANCE.** There was a lengthy discussion on changing the fireworks ordinance. **MOTION 13-153. MOTION** by Boots, seconded by Fowlds to begin the process to amend the ordinance to change the allowed hours from 8:00 am-midnight to allowed hours from noon to midnight. Members Boots and Fowlds voted AYE. Members Ortmeier, Munson, Weis and Otten voted NO. Motion failed. No changes will be made to the ordinance.

**CARNIVAL FIRE LANE.** Fire Chief Grant Van Riesen asked the city to consider an 8 foot fire lane by the carnival for emergencies. Due to limited space, this will greatly reduce the number of rides the carnival will be able to set up. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided to keep the carnival as is.

**PRIDE THROUGH EXCELLENCE AWARD.** Fire Chief Grant Van Riesen has enacted a Pride through Excellence Award to be given to someone in the community who has done good deeds. He awarded one to Police Chief Baker for obtaining two AED devices for the police department. He also awarded one to Police Officer Steven Lowry for recognizing a meth lab at a recent call.

**PONDEROSA PARK PLANS. MOTION 13-154. MOTION** by Fowlds, seconded by Boots to approve the Preliminary and Development Engineering Plans for Ponderosa Park Addition located in the W ½, N ½ S6-T99N-R50W, Lincoln County, South Dakota. All members voted AYE.

**ENGINEERING.** Bids for the Main Ave. Storm Sewer Project will be opened on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Micro-Surfacing Project will begin in late July.

**PONDEROSA PARK PLAT. MOTION 13-155. RESOLUTION 13-04-01. MOTION** by Fowlds, seconded by Weis to approve the following resolution. All members voted AYE. BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Tea, South Dakota, that the plat know and described as Lots 1, 2 and 3, Ponderosa Park Addition, in the N ½, S6-T99N-R50W to the City of Tea, Lincoln County, South Dakota, lying within the platting jurisdictional limits of the City of Tea, South Dakota is hereby approved and the City Finance Officer of the City of Tea, South Dakota, is hereby directed to endorse on such plat a copy of this resolution and certify the same thereon. Dated this April 15, 2013.

John M. Lawler, Mayor

ATTEST: Dawn R. Murphy, Finance Officer

**METRO CONSTRUCTION SITE PLAN. MOTION 13-156. MOTION** by Fowlds, seconded by Otten to approve the construction site plan for Metro Construction located at Lot 2, Ponderosa Park Addition, N ½, S6-T99N-R50W, Lincoln County, South Dakota. All members voted AYE.

**RISEN SAVIOR. MOTION 13-157. MOTION** by Fowlds, seconded by Ortmeier to approve the site plans for Risen Savior Lutheran Church, to be located on Tract 3 of High Point Estates. **MOTION 13-158.**

**MOTION** by Munson, seconded by Boots to approve the building plans for Risen Savior Lutheran Church and to waive the building permit fee. Risen Savior will still be responsible for paying for the water meter and building inspections. All members voted AYE. **MOTION 13-159. MOTION** by Ortmeier, seconded by Weis to give Risen Savior 5 years to install a hard surface parking lot, with a possible extension after 5 years. All members voted AYE.

**ELECTION CANVASS.** City Council members acting as the election canvassing board reviewed the April 09, 2013 tally sheets showing 58 votes for Sidney Munson and 38 votes for Dale Cook for Ward I Councilmember. **MOTION 13-160. MOTION** by Fowlds, seconded by Ortmeier to declare the following: Sidney Munson was duly elected by the qualified voters of the City of Tea to the office of Ward I Councilmember for a two year term; Herman Otten was duly nominated and having no opposition at the Municipal Election is declared elected to the office of Councilmember Ward II for a two year term; Chuck Ortmeier was duly nominated and having no opposition at the Municipal Election is declared elected to the office of Councilmember Ward III for a two year term. All members voted AYE.

**HIRING OF EMPLOYEES. MOTION 13-161. MOTION** by Ortmeier, seconded by Fowlds to hire Donna Howes as pool manager for the 2013 season, at \$16.75 per hour. All members voted AYE.

**MOTION 13-162. MOTION** by Otten, seconded by Weis to hire Kevin Howes and Dale Daugherty for part time summer maintenance at a rate of \$9.00 per hour. All members voted AYE.

**ATHLETIC COMPLEX PHASE 2 PAY REQUEST. MOTION 13-163. MOTION** by Weis, seconded by Ortmeier to approve Pay Request 7 to Swift Contractors, Inc., for the Tea Athletic Park Phase 2; in the amount of \$35,744.32. All members voted AYE.

**BOND REFUNDING.** Tom Grimmond from Daugherty & Company was present to discuss refinancing the Public Safety Building Bonds. The City could save approximately \$114,863.75 over the remaining life of the bonds. The term will remain the same. **MOTION 13-164. RESOLUTION 13-04-02. MOTION** by Weis, seconded by Boots to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Execution, Terms, Issuance, Sale and Payment of Sales Tax Refunding Bonds in the Aggregate Principal Amount of not to Exceed Nine Hundred Sixty Thousand and 00/100 of the City of Tea. All members voted AYE. The resolution will be published separately.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS.** The backstop at the Legion Ball Field was damaged during the ice storm. An insurance claim has been filed. An agreement is still trying to be reached between the land owners on the N. Main Ave. Extension. Mueller Pallets will be coming in sometime the first week of May to grind up all the tree branches from the ice storm. The playground equipment will be delivered April 16<sup>th</sup>.

**MOTION 13-165. MOTION** by Fowlds, seconded by Boots to go into executive session at 8:43 p.m. pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (5) Economic Development. All members voted AYE. The council came out of executive session at 9:18 p.m.

**MOTION 13-166. MOTION** by Weis seconded by Munson to adjourn at 9:18 p.m. All members voted AYE.

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John M. Lawler, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Dawn R. Murphy, Finance Officer

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