MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROUNDUP HELD ON January 21, 2020 AT 7:00 p.m. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jones. Clerk/Treasurer Lanter conducted roll call with council members, Long, Liggett, Vivirito, Erickson, Toombs, and Fisher present. Also, present were Assistant Clerk Mann, and Director Sibley. Absent were, Perrella, Griffith and Attorney Lundvall.

*Moved by Liggett seconded by Toombs to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2020 meeting after corrections are made. All in favor. Motion carried.*

*Moved by Fisher, seconded by Toombs to approve the agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.*

**Public Comment:** No comments.

**Visitors**: Theresa Doumitt gave her quarterly report from RCP (Roundup Community Partners). A copy of the report was given to Clerk Lanter.

Randy Hafer, developer on the Central School project gave an update. Says the biggest task is putting finances together. He has been talking to DEQ about putting in a partial rain water system for the building. Mr. Hafer talked to Mayor Jones about grants from the TIF (Tax Increment Financing) District. Will address the Council at a later date. Councilmember Fisher asked if an elevator will be installed and if it will be gurney size. Mr. Hafer’s response was yes.

**Open Public Meeting at 7:13pm on the Montana Rural Water Authority.** A slide show presentation was given by Bob Church, the project Engineer for the Montana Rural Water Authority. A hard copy of the presentation was handed out to everyone. There are six counties in the project. Other water supply alternatives were looked at and this is the best option. There is a demand from farmers to use the new water for stock. We are currently waiting for federal funding. We are shovel ready as soon as the money is available.

Monty Sealey, is the Project Administrator. Went over the money spent and cost of the water project. It’s been in Congress since 2017, waiting for authorization from Congress in order to receive funding. There will be no pumping cost or treatment cost with the new water. All information can be found at centralmontanawater.com.

Councilmember Vivirito asked how long each phase will take to construct? According to Bob Church, Phase one should take 1 year, Phase two, one to two years. 75% is installing pipeline.

Troy Evans- Why would the City participate in a project like this when the City can treat the water? Bob Church- It’s a similar investment but maintenance and managing it will cost more. Troy Evans asked about sodium levels

Close Public Meeting at 8:29pm and resume regular meeting.

**Mayor Jones:** Thanked Mr. Toombs for donating his time installing cameras in the City Office.

The Mayor will be in Helena tomorrow.

There will be a Parks Committee meeting February 4th at 6:30pm before the regular City Council Meeting.

The TIF (Tax Increment Financing) Board Ordinance will be tabled until late Spring.

Mayor Jones is still waiting for signatures from the County on the Refuse Lease Agreement.

**Correspondence:** Letter from MDT (Montana Department of Transportation) notifying the City of the fuel tax allocation. The amount will be used for cold mix. Per Lanter.

**Clerk/Treasurer Lanter-** provided a handout of the annual report to the Councilmembers.

**Director Sibley-** Advertising for bids on Phase 5 of the water project.

Councilmember Toombs said there is a dead fawn in an alley and wants to know whose responsibility it is to pick it up? Director Sibley said he will send the trash truck to remove the carcass.

**Public Comment:** Troy Evans talked about the structure of buildings on Main Street. Some of them have been vacant for 35 to 40 years. He would like the City to create a vacant building tax to force the owners to fix the structure of the buildings before someone gets hurt. “Go Liberal”. Mayor Jones will look into it.

*Moved by Fisher seconded by Liggett to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.*

*The meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.*

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Sandra Jones- Mayor Tanya Lanter- Clerk Treasurer

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Cassandra Mann-Assistant Clerk