MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROUNDUP HELD ON AUGUST 4th, 2015 AT 7:00 p.m. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jones. Clerk/Treasurer Lanter called roll with Council members Ramsey, Schladweiler, LaPierre, Picchioni, Griffith, Toombs, Yount and Martin present. Also present Assistant Clerk Olsen and Attorney Lundvall.

Additions to the agenda: B.U.D Committee. Public Hearing cancelled.

Moved by Martin, seconded by Schladweiler to approve the agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.

Moved by Yount, seconded by Toombs to approve the minutes of the July 21st meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Visitors: Carol Vaughn spoke on behalf of her son who purchased the property on 101 Main Street. He plans on having a café in there and would like to live in the upstairs while renovating the building. Right now the building is zoned as a commercial property in the Central Business District, and that does not allow residents to live in the building. Mayor Jones instructed her to fill out the zoning application and turn it in to compliance officer Hoiland. Hoiland will forward the application to the ordinance committee for a recommendation.

Mary Anne Petrie was here representing the commemorative garden. She would like council permission to install a barrier wall, which consists of three or four metal posts, to protect the cement retaining wall installed on the alley side of the property. She would like the city to install electricity and water and cover those expenses. She questioned whether the property is covered under the City’s insurance.

Public Comment: Mark Higgins wanted to correct the minutes from last meeting. His statement was he has concerns with alcohol being served in the fire hall, which is a government owned building. He would ask the council to abstain from making any comments on this issue with their neighbors until the issue is resolved. He stated there is no reason this should be allowed.

Mayor Jones attended the NDR (National Disaster Resiliency) meeting in Helena. They are in the process of prioritizing projects.

Attorney Lundvall spoke about the floodplain ordinance. The public hearing has been pushed back until the ordinance is passed by DNRC and FEMA. Once they approve the ordinance, the city may hold a public hearing and adopt the ordinance. Lundvall has sent the proposed ordinance to DNRC for review, and he should hear back soon if there are any issues with it. The city will need to re-advertise for the public hearing before adopting the ordinance.

The property on 1011 1st Street East had a trial last week for an ordinance violation. The judge found the defendant guilty and ruled in the favor of the city. Judge Marsh imposed a $300 fine and would suspend the fine it the property is cleaned up in 6 months. LaPierre asked if the city could appeal the judgement. Lance will look into this.

The property on 1204 Main Street has been cleaned up.

There is no update for the property on 711 Main Street. The sheriff’s office has not been able to serve this individual for the ordinance violation. This property is in the abatement process.

Lance will draft a letter for the property on 2nd Street West for metering issues.

Correspondence: Clerk Lanter read an award letter from T-SEP in the amount of $15,000 for a PER for the water system project.

Unfinished Business – Nothing new for the Deer Management Plan.

The parks committee will have a recommendation for the pool policy at the next meeting. The pool manager will be asked to look over the policy for any input. Lundvall will also look at the policy.

Council Discussion: the City, through the B.U D Committee has a grant, which includes removal of hazardous trees. DNRC did an inventory of the critical trees to be removed. The committee would like to start around the school. Committee member Tom Dunn has volunteered to remove the smaller trees at no cost to the city. According to the tree ordinance this is allowed. The city will add Tom Dunn to work comp for the time period he will be removing the trees. The trees are on the city property, but letters will be sent to adjacent land owners notifying them of this tree removal. Schladweiler commented that he would like the council to look over the tree ordinance.

The law enforcement report is on file with the clerk/treasurer.

Clerk Lanter went over the preliminary budget. Some changes in the budget include a line item for employee appreciation, increased budget for the community decay and an increase to the 940 depreciation for the road and street department. LaPierre asked if the fire 940 depreciation can be increase by $10,000 each year. Lanter responded that if there is enough in the overall budget, it can toggle between the road & street and fire depreciation. Schladweiler requested the library budget be increased by $500 dollars to total $16,500 per year, which is the amount the City has been contributing.

Public Works Director Sibley not present.

Assistant Clerk Olsen gave the council handouts of the procedures for a zoning variance.

The Parks Committee met regarding the Commemorative Garden committee’s request for the city to supply water and power to the garden spot. The committee tabled the item until they receive cost estimates for the improvements.

Moved by Picchioni, seconded by Toombs to approve the school to use the pool from August 31st through September 11th. All in favor. Motioned carried. The pool will also be used August 30th for the Triathlon hosted by the hospital. The city will not have to provide lifeguards for these events. Each group will provide its own lifeguards.

CLAIMS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY were read as follows:

City Payroll $59,570.58 Mid-Rivers $466.89

City Council per Diem $350.00 Midland Implement $425.59

360 Office Solutions $111.26 MMIA $7,285.00

A & A implement $272.00 Montana Municipal Clerk $50.00

AT & T Solutions $27.65 Montana Municipal Interlocal $8,934.00

American Welding & Gas $22.21 Musselshell Valley Equip $94.35

Big Sky Linen Supply $140.69 Normont, Equipment $119.80

CarQuest Auto Parts $56.46 Northwest Pipe Fittings $3,570.02

City of Roundup $127.26 Northwestern Energy $12,607.71

Deluxe $48.17 O’Reilly Auto Parts $766.38

Desiree Davis $460.00 Pitney Bowes $42.94

DPC Industries $1,023.32 Roundup Hardware $637.79

Electric Service Shop $164.29 S & K Trucking $662.50

Energy Laboratories, Inc. $738.00 Silvertip Propane $560.54

Florin’s Service $1,182.00 State Industrial Products $699.78

Great West Engineering $8,648.19 Tractor & Equipment Co. $11.68

Jones, Sandra $336.38 Utilities Underground $18.20

Knife River $65,232.60 Van Dykes $143.18

Lundvall, Lance $550.00 Watco $1,438.50

McCleary Distributing $1,843.15 WHC,Dirt Contractor $76,997.15

Midland Implement $515.38

Moved by Schladweiler, seconded by LaPierre to approve the claims as read and draw warrants on the treasury for the same. All in favor. Motion carried.

Moved by Picchioni, seconded by Schladweiler to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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APPROVED BY\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Tanya Lanter – Clerk/Treasurer

 Sandra Jones- Mayor

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 Violet Olsen - Assistant Clerk