MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROUNDUP HELD ON JANUARY 17th, 2017 AT 7:00, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

The meeting was called to order by President of the council Schladweiler. Clerk Lanter called roll with council members Weitzeil, Liggett, Griffith, Toombs, and Yount present. Picchioni and Martin absent. Also present Director Sibley, and Attorney Lundvall via phone.

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

Moved by Yount, seconded by Liggett to approve the minutes of the January 03, 2017 meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Visitor Deb Shields provided some examples of chicken ordinances from the City of Seattle. She would like to open discussion to allow chickens in the city limits. There would be restrictions such as no roosters and all animals must be in enclosed pens. She suggested charging a permit fee to allow a residents to have chickens. Schladweiler referred this to the codes & ordinance committee that will meet at 6:30 p.m. February 7th, 2017.

Visitor Lesnik gave an oral report for the law enforcement. Felony charges have increased dramatically for 2016. He talked with the council about officer retention. He suggest between the city and county we brainstorm ideas of how to keep officers in Roundup, and possible incentives. The department will be approaching the council closer to budget time to increase their annual contribution by 35,000 to hire an officer in a detective position.

Visitor Scherry Stiles informed the council of suspicious activity that is taking place at the fairgrounds and suggested security systems be installed. She would like the council and the citizens to be aware of the activities that are taking place.

Mayor notes: The annual Chamber of Commerce meeting will be 1/24/2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church. The RFP for the downtown master plan is still being drafted. The floodplain mapping meeting open house will be at the city office 2/1/2017 from 5-7 p.m.

Attorney Lundvall is working on the language for the sale of the property at 1011 1st Street East.

Compliance Personnel Bruce Hoiland gave an oral report. There were no building permits this month. He will be working on notifying people of the upcoming floodplain meeting and the changes. An article will be placed in the paper with the floodplain information.

Correspondence: A close out letter from T-SEP was received with 12,568.33 dollars reverted back to the program. A closeout letter from the Coal Board was received with 1,872.46 dollars reverted back.

The treasurer’s report can be provided per request.

The water authority met January 11, 2017 in Harlowton. They are working on information to connect to rural connections. They are waiting for an answer from Judith Gap if they want to be in the scope. The other communities that are involved are Harlowton, possibly Ryegate, Lavina, Roundup, Broadview and Melstone.

The codes and ordinance committee will meet at 6:30 February 7, 2017 to discuss the option of allowing chickens as presented by Deb Shields.

The Bank Stabilization grants are ready to be signed. The work will start in March and finish by May.

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

APPROVED BY\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Sandra Jones – Mayor \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Tanya Lanter – Clerk/Treasurer

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 Violet Olsen – Assistant Clerk