MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROUNDUP HELD ON January 23, 2018 AT 6:59p.m. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jones. Clerk/Treasurer Lanter conducted roll call with council members Liggett, Schladweiler, Weitzeil, Perrella, Toombs, Griffith III and Fisher present. Also present were Director Sibley and Assistant Clerk Mann. Picchioni and City Attorney Lance Lundvall was absent.

*Moved by Fisher, seconded by Griffith to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2017 meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.*

*Moved by Weitzeil, seconded by Toombs to approve agenda noting the Water Authority did not meet due to inclement weather. All in favor. Motion carried.*

Visitors: Jessica Holdren of Land Solutions did a brief overview of the Downtown Master Plan via phone. Councilmember Schladweiler wanted to know where Land Solutions came up with the numbers listed on page 31 of the DTMP (Downtown Masterplan). Jessica stated they really aren’t sure where the numbers came from “it’s a Data Analysis from software which helps determine trends”. Schladweiler posed the question, using questionable data wouldn’t the concept be questionable? I don’t have a problem with the conclusion, just how the conclusions were reached. Councilmember Perrella questioned a skate park in the vicinity of the bars. Ms. Holdren states the overall plan is possibilities and recommendations, not requirements. High schoolers were asked what they would like to see in the town of Roundup, a skate park was a suggestion. Schladweiler and Toombs would like a copy given to the Chamber of Commerce and get suggestions before council adopts it. Mayor Jones says it a plan of possibilities. Roundup Community Partners want to prioritize using the plan, working on things that are less costly. The final plan can be viewed on the City of Roundup website. The Downtown Master Plan will be put on the Agenda for the February 20th Council meeting.

Greg Lukasik of Great West Engineering gave an oral presentation on water rates for residents of Roundup. Currently residents pay a flat rate up to 3,000 gallons. Roundup could keep a flat rate or switch to an EDU method (Equivalent Dwelling Unit) which varies with size of meter. He also mentioned a surcharge fee for each meter for capital improvements. Greg states we are half way done with the water project.

Mayor Jones attended the Coal Board meeting on January 18, 2018 at MSU in Billings. The City was awarded $60,000.00 to fund a dump truck. The city will receive the funds when they become available. Mayor Jones reports Cheri Tate is the new liaison with the Roundup Community Partners.

Mayor Jones would like councils input on opening the City Council meetings with prayer.

Law Enforcement Committee: Officer Shawn Lesnik reports the Sheriff’s Office received evidence a few months back which led to 5 long awaited arrests. Officer Lesnik discussed a meeting that took place with the County Commissioners and an architect of a possible addition or building for a larger 100 bed jail which would open 15 to 20 good paying jobs for qualified applicants and cushion a fall if the coal mine ever closed. Officer Lesnik states he took a trip to Denver back in 2011 that gave him the understanding on how to accomplish this goal.

Report of Site Permits: Compliance Officer Bruce Hoiland says that a property finder called asking if the city has any future plans of adopting a fee for vacant lots/properties for utility service. He also reports Roundup Memorial Hospital is getting closer on facility parking issues.

Parks Committee Meeting was held January 23, 2018 at 6:00pm before the scheduled Council meeting. Jon Goffena and Stormy Stigen were present to discuss the possibility of moving fence lines on the two fields north of the stage along with other improvements that the little league would apply for grants to pay for. Councilmember Toombs says giving these two fields to the Little League would leave two fields, one at the Fair Grounds which the County gave permission for use and the field by the City Park tennis courts for Adult Softball. Little League Baseball is eager to get the grants in place before the season begins. A vote will be taken at next council meeting February 6, 2018.

Councilmember Schladweiler reported for the Library Board: There have been complaints on the new hours. Public has same access on funding side (20 hours a week). Residents needing use of computers for Educational and/or receiving a GED will be granted access through the School.

The City along with the County are looking at resources for public assistance and placing computers in another building for public use. Per Mayor Jones.

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

*The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.*

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