

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS  
HELD MAY 3, 2021

The regular meeting of the Devils Lake City Commission was held on Monday, May 3, 2021 at 5:30 P.M. with the following members present: President Dick Johnson, Commissioners Shane Hamre, Dale Robbins, Rob Hach and Jacob Volk. None were absent.

Commissioner Volk moved to approve the minutes of the regular City Commission meeting held April 19, 2021. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hamre, and the motion carried unanimously.

**5:30 P.M.** – This was the time set to open bids for the 2021 asphalt and concrete street repairs. The following bid was opened and read:

Tri-State Paving & Concrete Inc – Grand Forks, ND Bid \$64,250.00

License No 39411 A Cashier's Check \$1,285.00

Commissioner Hach moved to accept the bid as read and refer it to the City Engineer for further review and recommendation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Volk, and the motion carried unanimously.

**Commissioner Volk** – The City Engineer reported working with Lake Region Corporation on an agreement for them to clean the downtown area for an hourly wage.

**Commissioner Robbins** – The City Engineer stated they are working on projects and assisting the Park Board with a golf course project.

The Police Chief said everything was fine.

**Commissioner Hach** – The City Engineer stated the Sanitation Department will start the second week of special pickup.

The City Assessor reported meeting with the individuals that purchased the former Kmart building.

**Commissioner Hamre** – The City Engineer stated Public Utilities will start flushing hydrants.

The City Engineer said May 16<sup>th</sup> is National Public Works employee week.

**President Johnson** - The City Auditor stated the Lake Region Heritage Center has food vendors coming for the Arts Festival. Consensus of the City Commission was to waive the transient permit fees for these food vendors since it is a one-day event hosted by a public-spirited organization as discussed at the November 16, 2020 Commission meeting.

The City Administrator reported everything was fine.

The Fire Chief said everything was fine.

The City Attorney stated everything was fine.

Discussion was held on rescheduling the interviews for the fire chief position. Consensus was to interview the candidates on May 20<sup>th</sup> at noon.

The City Engineer reviewed the contract for water tower repairs.

Commissioner Hamre moved to approve the contract agreement between the City of Devils Lake and Viking Painting LLC for water tower repairs in the amount of \$291,000.00 as recommended by the City Engineer. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Volk, and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Volk moved to approve the consent agenda which included the following:

1. Authorizing the City Auditor to cancel Check No 120221 dated March 2, 2021 in the amount of \$1206.91 to AT&T Mobility (General Fund-Police Department & Fire Department-Telephone) – the check was lost and will be reissued;
2. Designating the *Devils Lake Journal* as the official newspaper for the City of Devils Lake;
3. Fireworks permit submitted by American Promotional Events dba TNT Fireworks;
4. Game of chance permits for the month of April 2021;
5. Gaming site authorization submitted by Neathery Simenson Post 756 – VFW of US from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at VFW Club – 314 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave NE; and
6. Gaming site authorizations submitted American Legion Tim Running Post 24 for July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 at Cobblestone Inn Motel & Suites – 1801 Highway 2 E and at Fireside Inn & Suites – 215 Highway 2 E.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hamre, and the motion carried unanimously.

The 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance No 971 – Liquor License Class X was held.

The 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance No 972 – Liquor License Class XI was held.

Commissioner Volk moved to approve the contract with the North Dakota State Tax Commissioner for collection of city sales, use and gross receipts taxes for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023 as recommended by the City Administrator. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Robbins, and the motion carried unanimously.

The bills from Lake Region Law Enforcement Center and Lake Region E-911 Authority were reviewed.

Commissioner Robbins moved to approve \$52,665.75 for the second quarter payment to Lake Region Law Enforcement Center for percentage of use revenue and the Lake Region E-911 Authority for joint powers revenue. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hamre. On roll call all Commissioners voted aye, and the motion carried.

Commissioner Volk moved to approve the list of bills as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hamre. On roll call all Commissioners voted aye, and the motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, President Johnson adjourned the meeting at 5:52 P.M.

**LINDA LYBECK**  
**CITY AUDITOR**

**RICHARD S. JOHNSON**  
**PRESIDENT**