

DECEMBER 11, 2017
CITY OF PLATO CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Bob Becker at 7p.m. on the 11th day of December 2017, at the Plato Fire Hall.

City Council members present: Stacy Sohns Tracy Montgomery, VeeAnn Wood, and Dennis Oltmann

City Staff present: City Clerk/Treasurer Gerri Scott and Public Works Director Scott Graupmann

Guests: Kjirsten Harvey, Dennis Harvey, and Nathan Bruch (Plato Fire Department)

Motion: by DO to approve the agenda as presented. Second by SS. All in favor.

PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC FORUM

Kjirsten Harvey presented before council in response to the letter she received to remove the chickens from their property.

ACTION RELATING TO GUEST PRESENT

Council asked GS to request the Plato Planning Commission to evaluate the existing ordinance and research what other same size cities are doing.

Motion: by SS to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2017, regular City Council Meeting. Second by DO. All in favor.

REPORTS

Fire Department – Nathan Bruch presented on behalf of the Fire Department.

- **Motion:** by TM to approve Mike Eggers as Fire Chief 1, Nathan Bruch as Fire Chief 2, and Ryan Neubarth as Treasurer beginning January 1, 2018. All candidates ran unopposed. Second by DO. VW voted against. TM, SS, and DO approved. Motion passed.
- Selection committee will convene on Tuesday, December 19, to interview two candidates for Fire Chief 3 position.
- Newer firemen are going through the training process.

Park and Recreation

- GS provided an accounting update on the stadium/dugout renovation project.

Sheriff – none

Plato Planning Commission – none

Treasurers Report – **Motion:** by DO to approve the Treasurer’s Report as presented. Second by TM. All in favor.

Approve Claims – The following claims were reviewed for payment:

Check No.	Date	Vendor	Name	Amount
13670	12/11/2017	9	BOB BECKER	\$877.33
13671	12/11/2017	19	CITY OF GLENCOE	\$4,393.27
13672	12/11/2017	58	KOHL'S SWEEPING SERVICE	\$1,050.00
13673	12/11/2017	74	MCLEOD PUBLISHING INC	\$72.00
13674	12/11/2017	80	MINNESOTA DEPT OF HEALTH	\$257.00

13675	12/11/2017	88	XCEL ENERGY	\$11.18
13676	12/11/2017	91	PERA	\$126.28
13677	12/11/2017	98	POSTMASTER	\$302.00
13678	12/11/2017	120	WM MUELLER & SONS INC	\$1,950.00
13679	12/11/2017	342	GOPHER STATE ONE CALL	\$6.75
13680	12/11/2017	348	TEAM LAB CHEMICAL CORP	\$669.00
13681	12/11/2017	491	OLTMANN DENNIS	\$1,662.32
13682	12/11/2017	491	OLTMANN DENNIS	\$461.75
13683	12/11/2017	491	OLTMANN DENNIS	\$19.71
13684	12/11/2017	504	MINI BIFF, LLC	\$117.56
13685	12/11/2017	544	GERALDINE A SCOTT	\$725.37
13686	12/11/2017	547	CENTURYLINK	\$308.17
13687	12/11/2017	562	GLENCOE FLEET SUPPLY	\$19.35
13688	12/11/2017	585	WOOD VEEANN	\$461.75
13689	12/11/2017	718	PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL	\$85.50
13690	12/11/2017	719	SOHNS STACY L	\$461.75
13691	12/11/2017	720	MONTGOMERY TRACY	\$461.75
13692	12/11/2017	730	RKA CONSTRUCTION	\$598.43

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

3588	12/11/2017	146	MICHAEL EGGERS	\$599.00
3589	12/11/2017	453	CITY OF PLATO	\$147.08
3590	12/11/2017	562	GLENCOE FLEET SUPPLY	\$19.79
3591	12/11/2017	592	WOOD JAY	\$700.00
3592	12/11/2017	593	NEUBARTH RYAN	\$599.00
3593	12/11/2017	598	GRAUPMANN SCOTT	\$599.00
3594	12/11/2017	655	BRUCH NATHAN	\$985.32
3595	12/11/2017	715	BRENDA SCHULTZ CLEANING SERE	\$300.00
3596	12/11/2017	731	GRANITE ELECTRONICS INC	\$3,552.00

INTERIM CLAIMS PAID:

13664	11/27/2017	88	XCEL ENERGY	\$1,194.60	C	
13666	11/27/2017	156	MCLEOD COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER	\$2,310.00		C
13663	11/27/2017	79	CENTERPOINT ENERGY	\$113.63	O	
13665	11/27/2017	91	PERA	\$152.45	O	
13667	11/27/2017	239	MCLEOD CO-OP POWER	\$113.28	O	
13668	11/27/2017	474	+T++MOBILE	\$48.65	O	
13669	11/27/2017	544	GERALDINE A SCOTT	\$860.91	O	
	11/28/2017		Transfer from General Fund to Fire Department District Fund	\$9623.22		
			Representing \$1500 Training Reimbursement from State and \$8123.22 2 nd have fire protection			
	12/07/2017		US Treasury – online – November payroll tax deposit	\$1,438.32		

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

3587	11/27/2017	688	ALLINA HEALTH SYSTEM	\$350.63
3585	11/27/2017	79	CENTERPOINT ENERGY	\$90.19
3586	11/27/2017	598	GRAUPMANN SCOTT	\$9.80

Motion: by TM to approve payment of the above-stated claims, along with Larsen Automotive for \$41.33 and Gerri Scott for \$47.44. Second by SS. All in favor.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

MnSpect Contract Amendment – tabled until more information is received in regard to the technology fee

Preliminary 2018 Water and Sewer Funds budgets were discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

MAINTENANCE REPORT:

- Update on Work Comp/Return to work - SG saw his doctor today. SG was released to work full-time without restrictions beginning on January 2, 2018.
- Creekside came back and took another load from the yard waste site. DO/SG stated they needed to look at re-locating the bunkers in the Spring as it gets very wet at the current spot.
- There is a bad electrical box for one of the Christmas lights. SG will make sure that it is repaired.

CLERKS REPORT

- 2018 Firefighting Contract has been received from Young America Township. **Motion:** by SS to enter into 2018 Firefighting Service Contract with Young America Township. Second by DO. All in favor.
- SS and GS attended the meeting in Glencoe on November 29 in regard to the wastewater treatment facility and provided the information obtained at that meeting. Discussion held in regard to rates proposed and Plato's role in the project.
- GS provided the Pledge Securities listing from Security State Bank & Trust. Acknowledged by Council.
- GS provided an email and Estoppel Certificate from Potentia Renewables Inc relating to the solar garden. The Estoppel is required to be delivered to any lender that relates to this project. At this point, they do not need one. However, when needed, they may not have time to wait for a council meeting. Basically, they would like to know that the Certificate is fine with the City. Council had no issues with the it.
- A notification/complaint was received from a taxpayer in regard to the running/idling of the City Bobcat. Discussion held. TM suggested the City look at adopting a complaint form/process. GS will look into that and report back.
- GS provided information from McLeod County Solid Waste Management and Creekside Soils in regard to the yard waste clean-up. Creekside has purchased a new grinder and commencing in 2018 a fee will be charged for that machine at a rate of \$367.50 per hour. This may or may not affect the City budgeting, depending on how much is left in the County's budget for Plato.
- GS advised the annual audit is scheduled to begin on February 26, 2018.
- Mr. Lemmers contacted GS and advised he was withdrawing his request for ED funds at this time.
- Budget meeting will be Wednesday, December 13, 2017, beginning at 4:00pm.
- GS stated notification was received from Buffalo Creek Watershed District providing the recently adopted Enforcement Rule Pursuant to Statutes Section 103F.48.

OTHER

- BB reported that Mid Minnesota Development adopted a resolution to finish Highway 212.

Motion: by DO to adjourn meeting. Second by TM. Meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

Bob Becker
Mayor

Gerri Scott
Clerk/Treasurer