

DECEMBER 14, 2020
CITY OF PLATO CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Tracy Montgomery at 7:00p.m. on the 14th day of December, 2020, at the Plato Fire Hall.

City Council members present: Stacy Sohns, VeeAnn Wood, Dennis Oltmann and Neil Engelmann

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

Guests: John Moehring, Jamie Schlechter (PFD)

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

PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC FORUM

John Moehring presented before council in regard to 3rd Street NE (gravel alley/roadway that runs along the North boundary of Plato city limits between 1st Avenue NE and County Road 9.) He wants to make sure that the road is being used for public purposes and is not becoming a private road. His main concern relates to the markers that were placed by the homeowner.

ACTION RELATING TO GUEST(S) PRESENT

City will take a look at the situation, talk to the homeowner, and then, if needed, get the road back on track in the Spring.

Motion: by NE to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2020, regular City Council Meeting. Second by SS. All in favor.

REPORTS

Fire Department – Fire Chief Jamie Schlechter presented before council. The Selection Committee met, conducted interviews, and recommends Stephanie Stepien for the Captain position. **Motion:** by VW to accept the Selection Committee’s recommendation and approve Stephanie Stepien for Captain. Second by NE. All in favor. Jay Wood ran unopposed and will move into the Chief 2/Operations position. Swearing-in of these new officers will be at the January council meeting.

- Fish fry will be a drive thru event in February; same as October event, but larger. Fire Department banquet is postponed at this time.

- Firefighter Chris Barlau will be leaving the department at the end of the year.

Park and Recreation/Plato Baseball – none

Sheriff – none

Plato Planning Commission – none

Glencoe Wastewater Contract – none

Holiday Lights – Lighting event went well and attendance was good. Decorating Committee has met and started planning for next year. The Holiday Light Contest winners were chosen: 1st – 113 2nd Avenue NE, 2nd – 134 3rd Avenue NW, 3rd – 208 3rd Avenue NW.

Community Hall (short term plan) – SG will start obtaining quotes for the next project.

Ordinance Review – none

Equipment/Inventory – none

Liaisons Reports – Tickets are still available for the Lion’s New Year’s Day pork chop dinner. Saturday they are delivering baskets to the shut-ins. PFD received a nice care package from “12 Ordinary Women”. American Legion sent collected items to military serviceman overseas.

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

Council was provided with a current bank account balance/internal transfer report, and November timecards for SG and GS.

Approve Claims – The following claims were reviewed for payment:

Check No.	Date	Vendor	Name	Amount
14868	12/14/2020	19	CITY OF GLENCOE	\$8,299.07
14869	12/14/2020	45	LLOYD GRAUPMANN	\$663.49
14870	12/14/2020	80	MINNESOTA DEPT OF HEALTH	\$393.00
14871	12/14/2020	88	XCEL ENERGY	\$792.40
14872	12/14/2020	91	PERA	\$397.36
14873	12/14/2020	92	PLATO C STORE	\$95.90
14874	12/14/2020	120	WM MUELLER & SONS INC	\$375.00
14875	12/14/2020	156	MCLEOD CTY AUDITOR-TREASURER	\$2,331.00
14876	12/14/2020	342	GOPHER STATE ONE CALL	\$5.40
14877	12/14/2020	398	WIGFIELD DESIGN	\$234.00
14878	12/14/2020	441	DIANE SCHRADER	\$398.43
14879	12/14/2020	468	HOME SOLUTIONS	\$159.37
14880	12/14/2020	491	OLTMANN DENNIS	\$438.66
14881	12/14/2020	504	MINI BIFF, LLC	\$114.24
14882	12/14/2020	544	GERALDINE A SCOTT	\$884.88
14883	12/14/2020	547	CENTURYLINK	\$313.34
14884	12/14/2020	562	GLENCOE FLEET SUPPLY	\$339.67
14885	12/14/2020	585	WOOD VEEANN	\$438.66
14886	12/14/2020	598	GRAUPMANN SCOTT	\$1,364.51
14887	12/14/2020	619	VOS CONSTRUCTION INC.	\$14,350.00
14888	12/14/2020	710	ENGELMANN DEAN	\$340.00
14889	12/14/2020	719	SOHNS STACY L	\$462.27
14890	12/14/2020	720	MONTGOMERY TRACY	\$854.24
14891	12/14/2020	721	MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEM	\$1,453.00
14892	12/14/2020	738	POTENTIA MN SOLAR FUND 1 LLC	\$626.28
14893	12/14/2020	747	REC-TECH OUTDOOR SOLUTIONS	\$59.42
14894	12/14/2020	765	ENGELMANN, NEIL	\$438.66
14895	12/14/2020	798	MN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	\$10.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT:				
3998	12/14/2020	92	PLATO C STORE	\$107.95
3999	12/14/2020	453	CITY OF PLATO	\$156.67
4000	12/14/2020	593	NEUBARTH RYAN	\$599.00
4001	12/14/2020	594	VOLUNTEER FFS' BENEFIT ASSN	\$230.00
4002	12/14/2020	621	ENGELMANN RYAN	\$599.00
4003	12/14/2020	640	MN FIRE SERVICE CERT BOARD	\$50.00
4004	12/14/2020	651	ULTIMATE SAFETY CONCEPTS INC	\$789.41
4005	12/14/2020	655	BRUCH NATHAN	\$599.00
4006	12/14/2020	674	SCHLECHTER JAMIE	\$1,200.00
4007	12/14/2020	744	HARVEY, RYAN	\$599.00
INTERIM CLAIMS PAID:				
14856	11/23/2020	88	XCEL ENERGY	\$693.38
14861	11/23/2020	544	GERALDINE A SCOTT	\$1,143.00
14862	11/23/2020	562	GLENCOE FLEET SUPPLY	\$15.76
14863	11/23/2020	598	GRAUPMANN SCOTT	\$1,364.51
14866	11/23/2020	777	TOSHIBA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS USA	\$112.55
14852	11/12/2020	619	VOS CONSTRUCTION INC.	\$1,570.00
14853	11/12/2020	779	NR BRUCH CONCRETE	\$3,000.00
14854	11/23/2020	58	KOHL'S SWEEPING SERVICE	\$690.00
14855	11/23/2020	79	CENTERPOINT ENERGY	\$199.14
14857	11/23/2020	90	MNSPECT	\$8,118.74
14858	11/23/2020	91	PERA	\$458.66
14859	11/23/2020	92	PLATO C STORE	\$146.45
14860	11/23/2020	239	MCLEOD CO-OP POWER	\$97.56
14864	11/23/2020	732	VISA	\$382.70
14865	11/23/2020	738	POTENTIA MN SOLAR FUND 1 LLC	\$745.85
14867	11/23/2020	779	NR BRUCH CONCRETE	\$1,600.00
	12/10/2020		US Treasury (online) November payroll tax deposit	\$1,750.74

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

3992	11/23/2020	562	GLENCOE FLEET SUPPLY	\$23.98
3994	11/23/2020	688	ALLINA HEALTH SYSTEM	\$350.63
3995	11/23/2020	689	JEFFERSON FIRE & SAFETY	\$358.70
3997	11/23/2020	793	HILGERS PLUMBING, HEATING	\$170.00
3989	11/23/2020	79	CENTERPOINT ENERGY	\$104.17
3990	11/23/2020	146	MICHAEL EGGERS	\$20.49
3991	11/23/2020	164	CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	\$44.38
3993	11/23/2020	621	ENGELMANN RYAN	\$21.45
3996	11/23/2020	715	BRENDA SCHULTZ CLEANING SERV	\$180.00

Motion: by SS to approve payment of the above-stated claims. Second by VW. All in favor.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

GS provided an Itemization of Project Costs relating to the firehall renovation project and the CARES Funds received. The interior is basically done except for the electrical. The vestibule is almost done, just waiting on some finishing and then the electrical. The project has been completely paid for with CARES funds to this point. GS and Chief Schlechter are in the process of researching security/locking systems.

The updated 2021 budget document from the meeting on December 5 was provided to Council. There were a couple of points to clarify/discuss further.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion: by SS to approve the Emergency Service Contract with Camden Township for 2021. Second by VW. All in favor.

Motion: by DO to approve the Emergency Service Contract with Helen Township for 2021. Second by SS. All in favor.

Motion: by VW to approve the Emergency Service Contract with Young America Township for 2021. Second by NE. All in favor.

GS provided the 2021 Assessment Services Contract and Maintenance Fee from McLeod County in a total amount of \$2,341.50. **Motion:** by VW to enter into said assessment contract with McLeod County. Second by NE. All in favor.

MAINTENANCE REPORT:

- SG provided photos of the signage at the East/West ballfields. The sign needs to be redone. Per Council, keep everything the same. SG to get prices.
- Ziegler will be doing generator maintenance on January 4.
- SG has ordered all three UPS systems and hopefully they will be installed yet in 2020.
- SG has been doing some cleaning and re-organizing. As a result, he is going to have some things to get rid of and the plan is to fill the trailer and hall to Fahey's for auction.
- SG would like to take two vacation days – December 24 and December 31. DO to cover.

CLERKS REPORT

- GS reported receipt of \$2,335 from the League of Minnesota Cities as a P/C dividend payment.

OTHER

none

Motion: by SS to adjourn meeting. Second by DO. Meeting adjourned at 9:33pm.

Tracy Montgomery
Mayor

Gerri Scott
Clerk/Treasurer