

APRIL 10, 2023  
CITY OF PLATO CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Neil Engelmann at 7:00pm on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023, at the Plato Fire Hall.

City Council members present: Stacy Sohns, Kyle Strobel, Dennis Oltmann and Peggy Flusemann

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

Guests: Justin McGraw (CDS)

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

PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC FORUM

Justin McGraw from CDS presented the 2022 audit results to the council.

**Motion:** by KS to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2023, regular City Council Meeting. Second by PF. All in favor.

REPORTS

Committee Reports:

Plato Planning Commission: GS advised LG is working on a conditional use permit for 14 First Avenue NE

Park & Recreation – Discussion on field use and fees. Once the schedule is received from Community Ed, a fee will be determined. GS to advise that a mini biff will not be placed at the County 9 field until such time as Community Ed advises of games scheduled there. As it relates to high school games at the stadium, will need to wait and see how many require lights. GS to advise Dean/athletic director.

Community Hall – SS and SG met and, along with some general cleanup, they came up with three things that need to be done. Placed in order of preference: painting upstairs and the stairwell area, ceiling tile replacement, purchasing of new chairs. SG will collect quotes and provide more information.

Public Works Building: KS provided an update as to the information he has obtained and GS provided information relating to insurance in a flood plain. The next step would be soil sampling to see if that site is buildable and what would be required. KS to do some research on that. Also, brief discussion on an alternative site – near the water tower.

Comprehensive Plan: The group met with Minnesota Rural Water Association in regard to the water system and expansion. In May they will be meeting with MnDOT as it relates to future highway plans.

Plato Baseball – SS provided a brief update from their last meeting.

Treasurers Report – **Motion:** by SS to approve the Treasurer’s Report presented. Second by KS. All in favor. Council was provided with a current bank account balance/internal transfer report.

Approve Claims – The following claims were reviewed for payment:

Check No.	Date	Vendor	Name	Amount
15750	4/10/2023	19	CITY OF GLENCOE	\$8,945.60
15751	4/10/2023	46	HAWKINS, INC	\$10.00
15752	4/10/2023	113	TC & W RAILROAD	\$439.60
15753	4/10/2023	120	WM MUELLER & SONS INC	\$924.00
15754	4/10/2023	342	GOPHER STATE ONE CALL	\$4.05
15755	4/10/2023	468	HOME SOLUTIONS	\$43.98
15756	4/10/2023	504	MINI BIFF, LLC	\$138.72
15757	4/10/2023	544	GERALDINE A SCOTT	\$923.46
15758	4/10/2023	547	CENTURYLINK	\$324.23
15759	4/10/2023	549	VALLEY VIEW ELECTRIC INC.	\$126.20
15760	4/10/2023	562	GLENCOE FLEET SUPPLY	\$53.04
15761	4/10/2023	598	GRAUPMANN SCOTT	\$1,517.89
15762	4/10/2023	703	STAR GROUP LLC	\$326.40
15763	4/10/2023	738	POTENTIA MN SOLAR FUND 1 LLC	\$512.10
15764	4/10/2023	748	CORE AND MAIN LP	\$203.44
15765	4/10/2023	765	ENGELMANN, NEIL	\$782.76
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT:</b>				
4269	4/10/2023	453	CITY OF PLATO	\$162.11
4270	4/10/2023	651	ULTIMATE SAFETY CONCEPTS INC	\$1,094.99
4271	4/10/2023	715	BRENDA SCHULTZ CLEANING SERV	\$240.00
4272	4/10/2023	726	SEWER SERVICES INC	\$763.98
<b>INTERIM CLAIMS PAID:</b>				
15741	3/27/2023	79	CENTERPOINT ENERGY	\$968.11
15742	3/27/2023	88	XCEL ENERGY	\$1,711.86
15743	3/27/2023	88	XCEL ENERGY	\$280.51
15744	3/27/2023	239	MCLEOD CO-OP POWER	\$93.47
15745	3/27/2023	324	FRONTLINE WARNING SYSTEMS INC	\$710.00
15746	3/27/2023	544	GERALDINE A SCOTT	\$1,011.55
15747	3/27/2023	598	GRAUPMANN SCOTT	\$1,517.89
15748	3/27/2023	732	VISA	\$155.07
15749	3/27/2023	777	TOSHIBA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS USA	\$75.02
			US Treasury (online) March payroll tax deposit	\$1,311.80
			PERA contribution (online) for 3/1-15/23payroll	\$454.89
			PERA contribution (online) for 3/16-31/23payroll	\$432.56
			MN Dept of Revenue (online) 1 <sup>st</sup> Q withholding	\$577.00
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT:</b>				
4265	3/27/2023	79	CENTERPOINT ENERGY	\$675.25
4266	3/27/2023	92	PLATO C STORE	\$97.52
4267	3/27/2023	562	GLENCOE FLEET SUPPLY	\$394.62
4268	3/27/2023	651	ULTIMATE SAFETY CONCEPTS INC	\$12,986.36

**Motion:** by KS to approve payment of the above-stated claims along with Hawkins Inc for \$1,775.56. Second by PF. All in favor.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Pickleball in the Community Hall – GS provided additional information from her meeting with Marlo L and Tammi V. Only one court will fit in the hall to allow enough room around. This spring will be a trial period. The court will be set up following the garage sales and will be there until May events. For now, it will be on Thursday nights from 4:00p-8:00p, no reservations, GS to open/close, and GS will prepare a liability release. Further discussion on marking of the court. GS to do some additional research. Otherwise, will use painters tape for now.

NEW BUSINESS:

**Motion:** by PF to accept the 2022 audit as presented. Second by KS. All in favor.

**Motion:** by SS to renew the liquor and cigarette licenses for the King Pin Pub. Required paperwork and payment of fees have been received. Second by KS All in favor

**Motion:** by KS to renew the liquor and cigarette licenses for Mighty's Liquor upon receipt of required paperwork and payment of fees. Second by PF. All in favor.

**Motion:** by KS to renew the cigarette license for Plato C Store. Payment of fees has been received. Second by SS. All in favor

**Motion:** by KS to approve a beer/malt liquor license for the Plato Baseball Club for concessions at the Stadium from April 15 – September 15 at a cost of \$25. Second by SS. All in favor.

GS advised that King Pin Pub no longer wishes to do liquor sales at the community hall. Discussion on what would be needed for another establishment to do so.

COUNCIL REQUEST:

None

MAINTENANCE REPORT:

- SG presented information relating to a lead service line inventory. SG doing webinar and class to find out more information and will report back.
- Storm sewer line in the alley by the post office needs repair.
- Catch basin on the corner of 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and 1<sup>st</sup> Street needs repair.
- Discussion on allowing company to deposit holding tank contents into the sanitary sewer manhole. It was determined that may be a violation of the contract with Glencoe, so not allowing.
- SG would like to attend a line tracing class on May 24. Cost is \$125. Council approved his attending.
- SG would like to purchase a pole saw attachment for approximately \$300. Old pole saw will be traded in for minimal amount. Council approved this purchase.
- SG discussed with MRWA to do smoke testing of the sewer system. Labor is provided by MRWA and supplies would cost approximately \$850. Would require resident education on the process. **Motion:** by KS to do the testing and get it scheduled. Second by PF. All in favor.
- Discussion on street patching.

CLERKS REPORT

- GS presented information in regard to the utility account for 200 Main Street East. There was as a water heater/boiler leaking and an excess water usage of approximately 9000 gallons over the average was used. Water ran to a floor drain which is not connected to the sanitary sewer. **Motion:** by DO to provide a sewer credit of \$90. Second by KS. All in favor.
- GS questioned the use of the community hall for a yoga class. Council approved pending more information.
- GS will be out of town for the next Council meeting, May 8. PF will take minutes.
- GS provided an update on the Community Garden. Four gardeners have signed up. NE to post on Facebook to see if more are interested.

OTHER

none

**Motion:** by SS to adjourn meeting. Second by DO. Meeting adjourned at 9:45pm.

Neil Engelmann  
Mayor

Gerri Scott  
Clerk/Treasurer