

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF PLEVNA – MONDAY, JULY 13, 2015 7:00 P.M.**

**TOWN OF PLEVNA OFFICE**

Mayor William Benner opened the regular meeting of the Town of Plevna Council at 7:02 p.m.

Aldermen present were Ross Gray, Gary Thielen and T.C. Shelhamer. Shawn Sanders was absent. Also present were: Corrine Sanders, wastewater operator and Rick Schell, water operator, Jason Rittal, EPEDC, Ryan Rittal, Stahly Engineering and Tanner Cahill, Stahly Engineering.

No Public was present.

The minutes of the June 8<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting were read and approved.

**Correspondence:**

- Patrick Jepsen was in the town office on 7/10/15 – he has advertised the Plevna Garage property for sale.
- Fallon County Election Administrator – Thomas Shelhamer and Roscoe Gray were the only persons filing for Council Positions. Per M.C.A. 13-14-115 the Primary Election will be cancelled.
- Plevna Propane – offer summer fill price of \$.75 per gallon of propane for the generator tanks.

**Public Comment:** None

**Stahly Engineering – Ryan Rittal – Water Project**

- The project is 40% complete. They have installed 50% of the main and will start to go back and put in services. They are making good progress and the community seems happy.
- Diamond J warranty item – loop to existing in east alley not installed correctly. Did not cut and cap main line when main was abandoned at Conser. Kinkaid repaired, Diamond J will be billed.
- Ryan recommended we talk to Darcy Wassman, County attorney, about future problems that appear after the warranty period that were due to negligence. Ryan will also check into the general conditions of the contract and see if anything is referenced.

- **Change order #1 contract increase of \$1,925.00:** provide payment for extra depth of water main due to conflict with sewer main at STA05+46 (between Oberlanders and Catholic Church) on Sheet 2.2 (150 LF of pipe 18" deeper than planned elevation). Total increase for this item is \$1,125.00.

Provide payment for repair of two unmarked services that were hit (6/18/15 and 6/22/15) (by Lutheran Church\Hauff house and also by sewer line depth adjustment). Town was required to mark all services. Agreed cost for unmarked service hit repair is \$400.00/occurrence. Total increase for this item is \$800.00.

- **Pay Application #2 \$419,223.50:** Original contract price \$1,953,240.00 + change order #1 \$1,925.00 = \$1,955,165.00. Total completed and stored to date \$883,177.31 – 5% retainage of \$692,246.00 work completed \$34,612.30 – 5% retainage of \$190,931.31 stored material

\$9,546.57 –previous payment \$415,560.36 – 1% gross receipts tax \$4,234.58 = amount due this application \$419,223.50. Balance to finish plus retainage \$1,071,987.69.

**Motion was made by TC, seconded by Gary to approve payment of Change Order #1 in the amount of \$1,925.00 and Pay Application #2 in the amount of \$419,223.50.**

**Aye: Gary, TC, Ross**

**Nay: None**

**Absent: Shawn**

**Carried: 3-0**

- Bobby Wiedmer called Willie and indicated he is fine with dumping fill dirt over the bank on his property on the east side of town.
- BNSF contracts were resubmitted with the new casing size requested by Kinkaid. MDU has accepted the proposal to put a guard on the top of the ladder on the water tank and to put extenders on the power lines by the water tank.
- Ryan will send Diamond J the bill for the Plevna Fire Departments fire hoses they damaged during Phase 1.
- Gary requested that the pin on the NW corner of this property be replaced.
- Ryan will look into the possibility of the ROW crew doing some extra surveying. This would be an expense to the customer.

#### **EPEDC – Jason Rittal:**

- **Water Project:** Jason went over the updated Uniform Status of Funds Spreadsheet and the Uniform Invoice Tracking Spreadsheet.
- **Sewer Project:** A decision needs to be made at the August Council meeting as to if the town will move forward with the sewer project. The engineering phase would have to take place the Spring of 2016. Jason will get a price from Stahly for the P.E.R. Stahy normally does these at a zero profit for small communities.
- Jason would like to see Plevna on the agenda with the Commissioners. He feels it would be good to give them personal updates on projects taking place in Plevna.

Tanner Cahill, Ryan Rittal and Jason Rittal left the meeting.

#### **Old Business:**

- **Sewer Project** – Baker has not finished the camera of the sewers yet. Willie will contact them again.  
There is a lot of storm water going into the sewer system. Willie will look into the schools sewer system and Corrine will look into the possibility of residential sump pumps being hooked into the sewer system.
- **Zoning Ordinance** – no discussion was held.
- **Park Contract** – the updated park contract was reviewed and approved.

**New Business:**

- **Water Policy** – the current policy was reviewed as well as a sample water ordinance. Maintenance responsibility was also discussed. It was determined by the council that maintenance and repair from the mainline to the curb stop is the responsibility of the town, from the curb stop to the residence/shop and all related fixtures is the responsibility of the property owner. The clerk will draft a water ordinance that will be presented for first reading at the August meeting.
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- **Dump Site Attendant** – Shanna Medearis was the only applicant for the dump site attendant position. **Gary made a motion, seconded by TC to hire Shanna Medearis as the dump site attendant.**

**Aye: Gary, TC, Ross**

**Nay: none**

**Absent: Shawn**

**Carried: 3-0**

**Financial Report:** council reviewed cash report, revenue voucher detail and utility cash receipts summary for June 2015.

**Department Reports:**

- **Water** – Rick will lock the gates at the water tank and post signage as required. The chlorine use has been higher than normal. Rick would like the chlorine suppliers to check it more often. The clerk will contact Hawkins and make the request.
- **Sewer** – nothing to report
- **Garbage** – nothing to report
- **Park** – nothing to report

**Council concerns:**

- Gary would like the town to inquire about the possibility of obtaining the gravel pile located on Highway 7 at mile marker 48.8. The clerk will write a letter to the MT Department of Transportation.

**Mayor concerns:** None

**Approve Claims:** Motion was made by Ross, seconded by TC to approve the claims as presented in the amount of \$36,457.51 and payroll in the amount of \$4,803.08, all in favor, motion carried.

June Claims (\$36,457.51)


1412	Allied Plumbing	\$497.00	1413	Baker Ace Hardware	\$ 49.99
1414	Coral Creek Landfill	\$677.00	1415	Country Media Inc	\$ 122.87
1416	Energy Lab, Inc	\$ 20.00	1417	G & G Garbage	\$ 740.00
1418	Jodi Miller	\$330.37	1419	Mid Rivers Comm.	\$ 131.83
1420	MMCT 7 FOA	\$ 50.00	1421	MDU	\$ 916.53
1422	Morrison Maierle	\$240.00	1423	Runnings Supply	\$ 183.60
1424	Shawn D. Sander	\$220.00	1425	Stahly Engineering	\$32,120.32
1426	Teamlab Chemical	\$158.00			

Payroll 6/1/15 to 6/30/15 (\$4,803.08)

1411	MMIA Work Comp 2QT	\$ 481.06	1427	Eileen Dahl	\$653.66
1428	Jodi Miller	\$1,837.50	1429	Corrine Sander	\$565.24
1430	Rick Schell	\$ 825.00	***	Work Comp	\$137.86
***	UI Insurance	\$ 5.83		Towns share of PR Taxes	\$296.93

Having no further business, Mayor Benner adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

  
Town Clerk – Jodi Miller

  
Mayor – William E. Benner