

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF PLEVNA – MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2015, 7:00 p.m.
TOWN OF PLEVNA OFFICE**

Mayor William Benner opened the regular meeting of the Town of Plevna Council at 7:08 p.m.

Aldermen present were Shawn Sander, T.C. Shelhamer and Gary Thielen. Ross Gray was absent. Also present were: Corrine Sander, wastewater operator; Rick Schell, water operator; Jason Rittal, EPEDC; Clint Smith and Greg Steckler with Stahly Engineering.

No public was present.

The minutes of the August 10th Regular Meeting and the August 24th Final Budget meeting were read and approved.

Stahly Engineering – Greg Steckler – Water Project

- **Greg presented Change Order No. 3** which is the cost to change the backfill requirement for the waterline on HWY 12 per MDT permit conditions. This resulted in a \$21,874.31 increase to the contract price as well as 1 day added to the Substantial completion date.
- **Greg presented Pay Application No. 4** which shows the adjusted contract price of \$1,994,711.35. The payment due on this application is \$247,369.08 less \$2,473.69 Montana Dept of Revenue 1% Gross Receipts withholding.

Motion was made by T.C., seconded by Shawn to approve Change Order No. 3 in the amount of \$21,874.31 and Pay Application No. 4 in the amount of \$247,369.08.

Aye: T.C., Gary, Shawn

Abstain: None

Carried: 3-0

Nay: None

Absent: Ross

- Greg explained the bore that was made across Hwy 494 (South Main Street). This was required by MDT and will result in an additional Change Order. The three service lines to the Mae Bohle property run through an 8 inch casing. A 6 inch main was not used as this would have required submitting the plans again to DEQ for review.
- The council requested a barrier be installed around the fire hydrant in front of the senior center and also the fire hydrant on the playground by the tennis courts.
- Henry Hastig needs a pit with a backflow preventer for his livestock water. Greg has gotten a bid from Kinkaid and he will send a set of plans to CT Excavation for a bid also. Greg will also send the Town a set of plans.
- The Surveyor will be back to finish the monument preservation after Kinkaid has finished surfacing of the streets. Greg also brought the scope and cost for the individual property owners interested in having their property corners located.
- Willie asked Greg if surfacing of the new portion of Sanders Street was included in the contract price. Greg confirmed that it was not, that is the Town's responsibility.

- Greg asked the Council how they wanted to proceed with the Sand Well. Willie asked Greg to find out why the area around the main well and the sand well has not been backfilled.
- Shawn discussed the Fire Hall water line. Last year Diamond J hit the water line and this year Kinkaid hit the water line. The 2 inch meter has been damaged by debris in the line and Shawn has had to replace both toilets in the building and flush the water lines to remove rocks and scoria.
- There is condensation on the meter in the pump house – it is very hard to read.
- Greg will increase the recirculation time in the water tank to help stabilize the chlorine levels. Currently it is set to run 3 times a day for 2 hours during off peak usage. Early morning, mid-morning and evening.
- Engineering America will camera and inspect the water tank this fall. This will be the one year inspection.
- Ryan and Greg are working with Jule Walker at the Plevna School to solve the problem of storm water dumping into the sewer.
- Diamond J has not paid the Town for their portion of the July 8th water leak. Jason will contact Darcy to draft a letter to Diamond J to be signed by Willie. If the problem persists Darcy will send a letter on behalf of the Town to Diamond J.
- Darcy is also drafting a letter for the Town regarding payment of future negligence that may come to light after the warranty is expired regarding the work Diamond J did on Phase 1.
- In mid-October there will be a walk through to note all apparent issues Diamond J will need to take care of before the warranty expires the beginning of November.
- Tanner checked Phase 1 curb stops for rubber couplings and he has marked the problems.
- Stationary rods will be installed in the curb stops on the south side of town.
- Shawn noted the retaining wall behind the pump house is sinking again.
- Willie and Shawn have encountered water in curb stops on the northwest side of town.
- The sand well was discussed again, Greg would like to check the water quality at a lower, consistent, pumping rate. The council requested a rough quote for drilling a new well.

EPEDC – Jason Rittal

- Jason will send an updated status of funds with the Hastig LP line repair, Geving and Branson hydrant removal and September 4J invoice taken off.
- Question to ask Rural Development – how long will the income survey results be good?
- Willie visited with the commissioners on September 10. They discussed the need for a backup well and the sewer project. Jason indicated it would be a good idea to have a plan for the well so it can be included in the county Capital Improvement five year plan.

Clint, Greg and Jason left the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

Department Reports

Water – Rick was in contact with Hawkins. They will fill the blue drum with Azone 15 as well as the tank. This should prevent the chlorine from running low.

Sewer – There seems to be a lot of water running into the sewer, possible leak?

Garbage – no report

Park - no report

Ordinance #50 – Town of Plevna Water System – second reading – final approval:

Motion was made by T.C., seconded by Gary for final approval of Ordinance #50.

Aye: Gary, T.C., Shawn Nay: None Abstain: None Absent: Ross

Carried: 3-0

Ordinance #51 – Town of Plevna Waste Water System – second reading – final approval:

Motion was made by Gary, seconded by T.C. for final approval of Ordinance #51.

Aye: Gary, T.C., Shawn Nay: None Abstain: None Absent: Ross

Carried: 3-0

Ordinance #52 – method of publication of notices, ordinances and proceedings – second reading – final approval:

Motion was made by T.C., seconded by Gary for final approval of Ordinance #52.

Aye: Gary, T.C., Shawn Nay: None Abstain: None Absent: Ross

Carried: 3-0

Correspondence:

- A Thank you note was received from Jill and T.C. Shelhamer for the plant the Town sent in memory of Roger Fuchs.
- Michelle Gray informed the clerk on 9/14/15 that Ross will be resigning from the Town Council due to health reasons. The resignation cannot take effect until after the November 3 general election. The deadline has passed and it is not possible to remove Ross’s name from the ballot. The council will appoint a replacement council member at the November regular meeting.

Approve Claims: Motion was made by T.C. , seconded by Gary to approve the claims as presented in the amount of \$472,356.83 and payroll in the amount of \$6,094.17, all in favor, motion carried.

August Claims (\$465,664.68)

1462	Kinkaid Civil Construction	\$419,349.25	1463	MT Dept of Revenue	\$ 4,235.85
1464	Stahly Engineering	\$ 40,021.23	1465	Energy Lab, Inc	\$ 20.00
1466	MMIA Liability Program	\$ 97.62	1467	Energy Lab, Inc	\$ 137.00
1468	Hawkins Inc.	\$ 583.02	1469	Herbst Insurance	\$ 100.00
1470	Mid Rivers	\$ 120.95	1471	MDU	\$ 999.76

Payroll August 1 – August 31 Gross pay (\$6,094.17)


1472	William Benner	\$ 600.00	1473	Eileen Dahl	\$469.91
1474	Ross Gray	\$ 250.00	1475	Shanna Medearis	\$200.00
1476	Jodi Miller	\$1,912.50	1477	Corrine Sander	\$451.76
1478	Shawn Sander	\$ 375.00	1479	Rick Schell	\$835.00
1480	T.C. Shelhamer	\$ 500.00	1481	Gary Thielen	\$500.00

September Claims (\$6,692.15)

1482	4J Well Service	\$1,000.00	1483	G & G Garbage	\$ 555.00
1484	Coral Creek Landfill	\$ 482.50	1485	Energy Lab, Inc	\$ 20.00
1486	Farmers Union Oil	\$ 753.12	1487	Bumble Bee Floral	\$ 50.00
1488	CT Excavation Inc	\$1,181.53	1489	TWEnterprises Inc	\$2,650.00

Having no further business, Mayor Benner adjourned the meeting at 8:47 p.m.


Town Clerk – Jodi Miller


Mayor – William E. Benner