

**Hazen City Commission
Regular Meeting
February 17, 2020
Hazen City Hall**

Present: President Obenauer, Commissioner Haack, and Commissioner Pillar.

Absent: Commissioner Stern and Commissioner Wolf.

Others Present: PW Director Brousseau, Attorney Donovan, Auditor Erhardt, and Buster Langowski.

The meeting was called to order at 5:29 PM by President Obenauer.

President Obenauer led the Pledge of Allegiance and Commissioner Pillar said the prayer.

Minutes: Commissioner Pillar moved to suspend the reading and approve the minutes of the February 3rd meeting, as presented, second by Commissioner Haack. Motion unanimously approved.

Agenda: Commissioner Haack moved to approve the agenda, with the addition of 6B (Fireworks Display Permit Hazen Alumni Assoc), second by Commissioner Pillar. Motion unanimously approved.

CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY & ENGINEER

Engineer's Report: The commission was informed that the State Water Commission has approved funding for the water storage project at a 60/40 funding level. The next step will be to conduct soil testing and acquire property for the new structure. There was a question about the project if land at the desired elevation is not attainable and this will be addressed by the engineering firm.

REQUEST OF CITIZENS

Local Permit-Raffle/50-50 – Knife River Care Center: Commissioner Haack moved to approve local permit 2020-04 as requested by the Knife River Care Center, second by Commissioner Pillar. Motion unanimously approved.

Fireworks Display Permit – Hazen Alumni Association: The Hazen Alumni Association is requesting a permit to conduct a firework display on July 10th, 2020 during the All-Class Reunion. The proposed location is in the cul-de-sac east of the dog park. The display will consist of retail, rather than commercial, charges and President Obenauer encouraged the association to work with the fire department to have a unit at the site during the display. Commissioner Pillar moved to approve the fireworks display permit, as requested, second by Commissioner Haack. Motion unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF APPLICATIONS AND BUILDING PERMITS

Commercial Building Permit – J & D Grimm: The commission reviewed a building permit presented by Joe & Derek Grimm to construct a steel, personal storage, structure at 903 Birch Road, near Dollar General. There were questions about drainage and having a plan to protect the alley from excess moisture. In the discussion, it was mentioned that a drainage plan may be helpful for residential structures. Commissioner Haack moved to approve the building permit, conditioned upon

presentation of a drainage plan to be reviewed by the city engineer prior to construction, second by Commissioner Pillar. On roll call vote: Haack, "Aye", Pillar, "Aye", Obenauer, "Aye", motion carried.

REPORTS

Water/Sewer/Garbage: Commissioner Pillar had nothing to report at this time.

Street/Cemetery: Commissioner Haack had nothing to report at this time. PW Director Brousseau informed the commission that staff will be moving snow from the business area on Tuesday morning. PW Director Brousseau said the tar cart has been filled and the garbage truck is in transit still hoping to receive it by the end of February, or early March.

Finance/Busing/Library: Commissioner Stern absent. No Report

Police/Fire/Forestry: Commissioner Wolf absent. No Report

HCD: Buster Langowski had nothing to report at this time.

President: President Obenauer had nothing to report at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE

Post Prom Donation Request: Commissioner Pillar moved to approve a \$125 donation to the Post Prom Committee, second by Commissioner Haack. On roll call vote: Pillar, "Aye", Haack, "Aye", Obenauer, "Aye", motion carried.

Pace Services Agreement: The commission postponed action on an agreement of PACE to conduct sanitary sewer televising and cleaning, pending additional quotes from Pipe Detectives.

Dunn County Mental Health Summit – Funding Request: The commission postponed action on a request from Dunn County to act as a sponsor for the upcoming Mental Health Summit in Watford City in April. Buster Langowski said the summit is being coordinated by Vision West and will include regional speakers addressing various workforce mental health issues. President Obenauer would like to see if Mercer County is supporting the summit and would also like the full board to address the request.

Approval of Bills: Commissioner Haack moved to approve the bills, as presented, second by Commissioner Pillar. Pre-paid and bills approved for payment are as follows: Ameripride, 340.59; Approval Payment Solutions Inc, 811.95; BHG Inc, 43.35; Cenex, 350.90; Core Main LP, 75.50; D&E Supply, 65.12; Dollar General, 19.17; Donovan & Kaffar PLLP, 1200.00; Fastenal, 15.34; Fitterer Oil, 1698.50; Hazen Bottle Shop, 167.00; Hazen High School, 125.00; Hazen Motor Co, 503.14; Hazen Welding 1350.00; ITD, 10.30; Innovative Office LLC, 14.72; Mercer Co Treasurer, 5793.55; MDU, 4656.14; ND Dept of Health, 32.00; ND State Auditor, 320.00; NAPA, 170.81; ND One Call Inc, 3.05; Purchase Power, 108.99; Roughrider Electric Coop Inc, 4645.70; Sakakawea Medical Center, 235.04; Share Corp, 634.52; Sletten Excavating, 2375.14; Stamps.com; 122.49; The Hub, 186.878; Tractor Supply Credit Plan, 32095; US Postal Service, 240.00; West River Telecomm, 1082.80. On roll call vote: Haack, "Aye", Pillar, "Aye", Obenauer, "Aye", motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:54 PM CT. The next regular meeting of the commission is scheduled for Monday, March 2, 2020 at 5:30 PM CT in the Commission Room of the Hazen City Hall.

Approved: _____
Jerry Obenauer, President

Attest: _____
Monte J. Erhardt, Auditor