**1-13-2020**

Mayor Frank Ewert called the regular meeting of the Anamoose City Council to order this 13th day of January 2020, at 6:58 pm. Michael Schmaltz, Mike Rudnick, and Brady Schmaltz were present. Ted Mertz was absent. Also present were Tom Sieg, Maintainer for the Anamoose Sewer and Lagoon, and Laurel Schnase, City Auditor.

Minutes of the 12-09-19 council meeting were read and approved. M.Schmaltz/Rudnick. AIF

Treasurer’s Report for December was submitted and accepted as submitted. Rudnick/B.Schmaltz. AIF

Schnase presented the council with feedback from Circle Sanitation. The company has offered the residents of the City of Anamoose to switch to 96-gallon totes for garbage. There would be no charge for the totes, but it would require all residents to use this service. Only what can fit in the tote would be picked up each week. After much discussion, the council decided to not make any changes right now but may investigate it more in the future.

The council had the 2nd reading of an addition to the City of Anamoose Cat Ordinance. On December 25, 2019, the ordinance was published in the city’s designated paper. The addition to the ordinance states that no more than four cats are allowed per residence in the City of Anamoose. A vote was taken to make this addition to the cat ordinance. Rudnick/B.Schmaltz. AIF

Tom Sieg was present with his 2019 report on the conditions of the City of Anamoose’s lagoon and sewer. He stated that there is a need to have some work done to the lagoon including: removing a large mound of sand and gravel that has grown over the years, jetting the sewer line, and when empty, televise the line to see if there are any breaks. Tom stated that there are also 5 gate valves between dykes that need replacing. By doing this, a lot more water can enter the lagoon. Tom was asked to get two estimates for this project, and report back to the council. This project is slated to begin this spring. Another project Tom recommended was to repair a few manholes in town. Some older manholes were formed with bricks, and over the years the bricks break down. The newer manholes were poured and are in better shape. The council decided to wait on repairs to the manholes but will consider this project at a future time.

Mayor Frank called for a Resolution naming Nathan Stittleburg as Assistant City Attorney for the City of Anamoose. Nathan works for the Chris Nyhus Law Firm. Rudnick/M.Schmatz AIF

Rudnick brought to the council’s attention that several trees need trimming in town. M. Schmaltz will take note of where there might be issues and will let Schnase know which property owners need to be notified by letter. Trees that have limbs hanging over streets interfere with emergency vehicles, and snowplows.

The next meeting for the Anamoose City Council will be held Monday, February 10th  at **7:00 PM.**

The following bills were paid in December:

**CK# NAME DESCRIPTION AMOUNT**

10029 Zeigler Oil Furnace Oil $ 550.00

10030 NCRWD Water $ 65.35

10031 NDTC Internet & Fax for City Hall $ 87.01

10032 Zeigler Diesel & Furnace Oil $ 1,342.64

10033 Void

10034 ND Rural Water Systems Membership Dues $ 245.00

10035 Heringer Lumber Supplies $ 148.98

10036 Otter Tail Electricity $ 940.27

10037 Mouse River Journal Publication $ 67.76

10038 NDRWD Water $ 65.13

10039 Tom Sieg Salary for Lagoon/Sewer $ 3,600.00

10040 Circle Sanitation Garbage Pickup $ 1,914.00

10041 Void

10042 Interstate Billing Services Repairs & Supplies $ 1,834.72

10043 HAV-IT Services Recycle Pickups – November $ 50.00

10044 FSB – VISA Office Supplies $ 27.93

10045 AT&T City Auditor Phone $ 41.59

10046 Frank Ewert Salary $ 92.35

10047 Billy Vetsch Salary $ 772.05

10048 Laurel Schnase Salary $ 2,032.88

10049 Mike Schmaltz Salary $ 391.95

10050 Brady Schmaltz Salary $ 288.59

EFT IRS – City Monthly Withholding $ 723.99

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm upon motion by M.Schmaltz/Rudinck. AIF

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City Auditor Signature Date

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Mayor Signature Date the Minutes were approved