

COLDWATER CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING

Monday May 9, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

The governing body of the City of Coldwater met in regular session, with the following present: Mayor Joe Ceballos presiding, Council members Mike Bushnell, Robert Cardoza, Cleta Lampe, Britt Lenertz and Ashta Rosson, Public Works Director Danny Shaw, Lake Manager Don Dutton, Chief of Police Devon Duffield and City Clerk Kristal Sherman.

Mayor Ceballos called the regular council meeting to order, City Clerk, Kristal Sherman conducted roll call. Minutes from the April meeting were approved as written, motion by Mike, seconded by Robert and all voted Yes.

Public Works Director Danny Shaw passed around bids from two different companies for new guttering on the veteran's building. Diamond Roofing had a bid for all new steel guttering for \$20,100.00. Superior Home Improvements LLC had a bid to repair the guttering that is there and add snow clips for \$3,875.00. To add awnings over the doors would be \$9,096.00 and an awning in front is \$13,434.00. After discussion, the council asked Danny to advertise for local bids. Danny told the council we have a few people living in houses without running water and working sewer, he said he would like the council to make an ordinance to say you have to have running water/sewer to live in your home. He said the zoning ordinance could possibly have wording to cover it, but thought an ordinance that specifically says you have to have running water and working sewer would be better. Kristal said she would see Skip tomorrow at court and would say something to him. Danny reported the big awning at the pool blew down the last real windy day we had and said the other one didn't come down, but it doesn't look like it will last much longer. He did get an estimate of \$5,730.00 to replace them and thought insurance should at least pay for the one that blew down. After discussion, Mike made a motion to replace the big canopy at the pool, seconded by Robert and all voted Yes. The council told Danny to ask our insurance agent if they would replace them both. Danny asked the council if they wanted him to schedule a limb pickup day. The council agreed to May 31st, but made the stipulation that anyone who wants limbs picked up needs to call City Hall by 5:00 pm Friday, May 27th to be put on the list and only the ones that call to get on the list will get their limbs picked up. Danny passed around bids he has received for a new vac machine – one was from Key Equipment for \$40,250.00 and an extra \$980.00 for the "boom", the other was from Ditch Witch for \$45,200.00 which includes the "boom". Danny said he would like to demo each machine before making a decision on which one to buy, he did say the Ditch Witch machine was currently in stock and the Key Equipment machine could take six months to be delivered. After discussion, Mike made a motion to approve up to \$45,200.00 for purchase of a new vac machine, seconded by Ashta and everyone voted Yes. Mayor Ceballos asked Danny if he had worked up a quote to tear down Byram's trailer, he said he had and told Dennis he thought he could keep it under \$3,000.00. Danny said Dennis told him he was going to talk to Randy Unruh.

Lake Manager Don Dutton reported the women's bathroom on the west side needs some work done, he said the men's side was done a couple years ago and now the women's side is in need of repairs. The council agreed to get it in the 2023 budget.

Chief of Police Devon Duffield reported he has written 44 tickets, 4 warnings and one DUI since last meeting. Devon reported from May 22nd to June 4th he will be enforcing the "click it or ticket" campaign. Also, he will be gone to Hutchinson Sunday, May 15th for a class which will be the last of his required 40 hours needed for the year and will start over July 1st for the next years' 40 hours. Devon also told the council he is going to remind citizens that lawn mowing season is upon us and everyone needs to keep up their yard. Kristal suggested he put a paragraph in the paper to remind everyone about code enforcement. Devon also told the council he would like to purchase an autism awareness badge (April is autism awareness month) and a breast cancer awareness badge (October is breast cancer awareness month), he would like to purchase these with his own money and would like to be able to take the autism badge with him when he retires from the City. After a

discussion, Mike made a motion to allow Devon to purchase the autism awareness and breast cancer awareness badges at the City's expense with his name on the autism badge, but not on the breast cancer badge, seconded by Robert and everyone voted Yes.

Mayor Ceballos asked Danny about the main street banners. Danny said there are enough red and green ones to go down main street, but when they talk budget in July the banners run around \$180 each and there are 14 banners needed for main street when they purchase new ones.

Kristal asked the council to review the new Blue Cross and Blue Shield health/dental rates for the new year beginning July 1st. She said the rates went up about 10.5%. Ashta made a motion to approve the new insurance rates, seconded by Clea and everyone voted Yes.

Bills in the amount of \$155,418.28 were presented for payment. Clea made a motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Ashta and all voted Yes.

Under New Business and Reponse to Public Comment, Clea told the council the tornado siren at the lake did not go off last Tuesday when we had the tornado and the sirens in town were sounded. She just wanted to make everyone aware that the lake siren did not go off and she was in the process of seeing what needs to be done about it.

With no other business presented, Mike made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m., seconded by Robert and all voted Yes.