Dutton Town Council Meeting Minutes

Town Hall

11 Main Street West

April 5, 2021

**Present**

**Mayor:** Susan Fleshman **Councilpersons:** Bob Dauwalder, Pete Klein, Kara Fuhringer, and Pat Bayala **Public Works Director:** Jeremiah Kjensmo **Assistant Clerk:** Sayde Wallace **Public:** no public in attendance

**Call to Order**

Mayor Fleshman called the Council meeting on April 5, 2021 to order at 7:01 pm.

**Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**March 1, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

After reviewing the minutes Councilman Klein moved to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fuhringer and passed unanimously.

**Current Bills**

Mayor Fleshman explained the current bills. Councilman Klein moved to accept the bills that we have received and the ones to yet come this month. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dauwalder and passed unanimously.

**Harvest Bible Church Building Application**

After a short discussion about the size of the building and who would be doing the construction, the Mayor asked for a motion to approve. The motion was made to accept the application by Councilman Klein and seconded by Councilwoman Bayala. It passed unanimously.

**American Rescue Plan**

Financial Officer Kjensmo went over the money that the Town of Dutton can expect to receive from this plan. The Town is supposed to receive $77,236 in two payments. One will come this year and the second will come next year. He went on to explain that there are only certain ways that this money will be able to be used. Some of the suggestions were to use a portion for the pool, wages for employees, filling in the pivot tracks, and/or possibly bonuses for Town employees.

**Continuing Housing Conversation**

Councilman Dauwalder said that he had been driving around Town and noticed the many lots that look abandoned. He would like the Council to look at what would be needed to clean these

properties up. This feeling was reciprocated by Councilwoman Bayala. The Council then spoke about the Nuisance Ordinance and the enforcement of it. Councilwoman Fuhringer then asked if the Town would need a lawyer for enforcement. The consensus was that no lawyer would be needed yet. Councilman Klein brought up the fact that it is going to take time and money to move on with enforcing the Ordinance.

**Mayors Report**

The Mayor talked about the tree trimming that was done by Dave’s Tree service. The giant willow and the tree by the shelter were both trimmed in the park, a large tree across from the Catholic Church was trimmed, and a dead tree removed from the boulevard. There were a couple stumps removed as well, one at the Legion Hall and one by the Catholic Church.

The restroom door jams at the lower park are almost renovated and the shelter has been scheduled for maintenance in May or June.

The Mayor asked if the Council had any other questions or comments. Councilman Klein asked about possibly getting Curt from CC Construction to come and fill in the ruts at the pivot.

**Next Meeting**

The next regular Council meeting was set for May 3, 2021 at 7 pm.

**Adjourn**

The Mayor Adjourned the meeting at 8:17 pm

