

Burke City Council
Special Meeting
March 31, 2020

The special meeting of the Burke City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomas Glover at 12:00 PM in the Municipal Building Meeting Room. Council members present were Wyatt Reis, Mark Green, Garry Wetzler, Vickie Dobesh, Todd Halsne and Megan Lindholm (Via Phone). Also present was Finance Officer Mike Glover and City Attorney Rachelle Norberg. Attending via phone, Wade Broome.

Approve Agenda:

Motion by Garry Wetzler, second by Mark Green to approve the agenda with the addition of April Meeting Date and Police Chief Position. Roll call, Wetzler-aye, Green-aye, Reis-aye, Halsne-aye, Dobesh-aye, Lindholm-aye. Motion carried 6-0

Conflict of Interest:

None

Public Input:

Kelsea Sutton talked to the Council about the roles the Gregory County Commissioners and the City of Burke are playing in the COVID-19 pandemic. She thanked the Council for their work on being proactive. The two entities will continue to work together. Kelsea would like the Council to think about the possibility of going to County wide law enforcement. Currently the City of Burke doesn't have a Chief of Police.

2nd Reading of Ordinance 2020-3-25:

Ordinance #2020-3-25, An Ordinance of The City of Burke, South Dakota Declaring A Health Emergency and Limiting Public Gatherings Within the City and Within One Mile of The City Limits, was presented to the Council for the 2nd Reading. Motion by Mark Green, second by Wyatt Reis to approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance #2020-3-25, An Ordinance of The City of Burke, South Dakota Declaring A Health Emergency and Limiting Public Gatherings Within the City and Within One Mile of The City Limits. Upon roll call vote, Wetzler-aye, Lindholm-aye, Green-aye, Reis-aye, Halsne-aye, Dobesh-aye. Ordinance #2020-3-25, An Ordinance of The City of Burke, South Dakota Declaring A Health Emergency and Limiting Public Gatherings Within the City and Within One Mile of The City Limits was passed and approved on this 31st day of March, 2020.

Burning of Elevator/CHS:

The old elevator at the CHS property next to Highway 18 in the south east part of town was demolished. CHS is asking for permission to burn the rubble. Finance Officer Mike Glover has talked to Anthony Mayer from CHS and their plan is to dig a hole to the east of where the elevator stood and burn it in the hole. The City has a no burn ordinance Chapter 6-5. In Chapter 6-5 the penalty for violating the no burn ordinance is \$100 per day that the burning continues. After some discussion, motion by Todd Halsne, second by

Garry Wetzler to stand by Ordinance 6-5 and if CHS burns the elevator they will be fined the appropriate fee and assume all liability. Roll call, Wetzler-aye, Green-aye, Reis-aye, Halsne-aye, Lindholm-aye and Dobesh-nay. Motion carried 5-1. The Council recommends that CHS contacts the Fire Dept & Sheriff’s office on the day they intend to burn the elevator if they so choose.

Cruise Night:

Stella’s would like to hold a Cruise Night on Saturday April 4, 2020. With everyone remaining in their cars to comply with the social distancing requirements. After some discussion motion by Vickie Dobesh, second by Todd Halsne to approve the proposed cruise night on April 4,2020 as long as everyone follows the conditions set forth in Ordinance 2020-3-25 that was just passed. Roll call, Wetzler-aye, Green-aye, Reis-aye, Halsne-aye, Dobesh-aye, Lindholm-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Police Chief Position:

Mayor Glover would like the Council to think about whether they want to advertise for a Police Chief or go with the Gregory County Sheriff’s Office. Police Chief position will be on the agenda for the April regular council meeting.

April Meeting Date:

The April regular council meeting is scheduled for Monday April 13, which is Easter Monday. The Council was in agreement to move the April regular council meeting to Tuesday April 14, 2020.

Adjournment:

Mayor Glover declared the meeting adjourned at 12:53 PM.

ATTEST:

Mike Glover, Finance Officer

Thomas Glover, Mayor