

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF PLEVNA- Monday, April 8th, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.
Plevna Community Center.**

Mayor Thielen called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Mayor/Council Present: In person - Gary Thielen, Promise Miller, James Franson, Michelle Gray, and Kyle Vennes

Also present: Mark Thielen, Container Site Operator
Ashley Martin, Clerk/Treasurer

Members of the Public Present: Lois Gaving, Shawn Sander.

Approve Minutes from Town Council Regular Meeting - March 11th, 2024

The minutes from the Town Council Regular Meeting held on March 11th, 2024, were approved as read.

Public Comment and Questions:

Shawn Sander asked who helped clean the sewer lids off. Mayor Thielen informed Shawn that he helped clean the manhole covers. Shawn then stated that we pay someone to take care of the sewers, so that was not mayor Thielen's job. Mayor Thielen informed Shawn that Rick, our water operator, was gone. Shawn stated that it seemed like poor planning on the council's part, he was informed that we were at the mercy of the company (Pace) and when they were available to come and clean the sewers, unfortunately that fell on Rick's days off.

Shawn Sander asked if anyone was going to start cleaning the sewers with our own sewer machine. Mayor Thielen told him that at this point he didn't know, and that it may not need to be cleaned now for a while.

Shawn Sander stated that he would ask Pace how it could be planned better. Councilwoman Miller stated that we knew he had been down talking with them, slowing their work. They are here to do a job that the town is paying them to do and they don't need him bugging them and slowing down their completion of the job.

Shawn Sander was asked that when he comes into the town office that he does not reach over the counter and grab things off the desk. Shawn was told that that area is the Clerks workspace, and that there could have been confidential information underneath of the pictures that he picked up. He was told that for future, if there is something that he wants to see he needs to ask permission and not just grab it.

Correspondence:

- None.

Old Business:

Consider of credit cards for Town of Plevna(A)

Tabled until all bank accounts are current and reflecting of the new Clerk.

New Business

Fiscal Sponsor for the Montana Community Foundation for the Sieler School Project(I/A)

Mylan Bohle would like for the Town of Plevna to be a fiscal sponsor for a grant proposal of \$50,000 to the Montana Community Foundation for the Sieler School House Project. Deadline for this grant is May 1, 2024. This would move the Sieler School into Plevna and it would then be made into a museum.

Councilwoman Miller asked what being a sponsor entailed. This would be no money from the Town of Plevna. The Town of Plevna would be backing and approving of moving the school and making it into a museum. Having a sponsor would give better chances of acquiring the grant. All council members agreed that they have the blessing of the council for a sponsor.

Councilman Franson motioned to sponsor being a Fiscal Sponsor for the Sieler School House Project. Councilwoman Miller seconded the motion. Discussion: Above. Action:

Aye: 5 Nay:0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0 Carried: 5:0

Growth Policy: Resolution of Intent (I)

This has to be posted in the Fallon County Times no less than 15 days before it can be voted on. The start of our commitment period will be April 8, 2024. This will be voted on at our next council meeting on May 13, 2024.

Subdivision Regulations: Resolution (I)

This has to be posted in the Fallon County Times no less than 15 days before it can be voted on. This will be voted on at our next council meeting May 13, 2024.

AARP Grant (I/A)

This is for a \$1,000 grant for beautification of the community. We have to have a specific idea of what the money would be used for before it can be applied for. Mayor Thielen mentioned that this would be a good way to get new benches/tables for the park which was discussed at last month's council meeting. All council members agreed that we should apply and use the money to get new tables for the park.

Sewer Line Maintenance and Repair(I)

Mayor Thielen visited with Pace Friday morning. We do have some repair work that needs done on our sewer lines. Pace will be camera-ing the entire system. This will give the town the information on all areas that need to be fixed before hiring a company to come in and fix it. Pace has found a spot where Mid Rivers bored through the sewer line. Mayor Thielen contacted Eric Schultz with Mid Rivers, who said that when that chunk of line is replaced to send the invoice to him, at Mid Rivers. Pace will be sending a file with all pictures that give us all locations that need fixed as well as going around and marking all of the spots.

Department Reports:

- ***Water/Wastewater Operator*** – Rick not present. Jolene has been doing sampling. Rick spoke with Josh Vile, Water Water Operator from DEQ. Rick sent Josh a picture of the lagoons, levels of the lagoons have come down since the ice has melted. Decided that it was best not to discharge unless absolutely necessary, and continue to monitor levels.
- ***Container Site Operator*** – Mark Thielen stated that he has purchased a new combination lock for the dump site. He will be giving the combination to every one that will need it as well and bring the combination down to the town office so that it is there.
- ***Clerks Report*** – Clerk Martin reported:
 - The Utility Billing past due accounts were reviewed with the Council.

Town Financials:

Financial Report(I)

The March 2024 financial report was reviewed and accepted by the Council.

Approve Claims/Voiced Checks – March 2024(A)

The Council reviewed the Claim Detail report for March 2024. See attached March 2024 Claims Check Register in the amount of \$6,456.68

Councilman Vennes motioned to approve the claims report as presented. Councilman Franson seconded the motion. Discussion: None. Action:

Aye: 5 Nay:0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0 Carried: 5:0

Mayor/Council Comments:

- Mayor Thielen informed the council and the community of Rick Schells resignation in effect May 15th, 2024.
- Councilwoman Miller distributed a letter that was sent to her about some concerns from a community member about some reckless driving, and the presentation of a community members yard. It was discussed that it is a nuisance and there is an ordinance for it. We will have to write a letter to the community member. Councilman Franson stated that the county came in last time.

Adjournment:

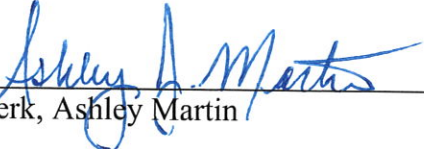
Having no further business, Mayor Thielen adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Next Meeting:

The next regular meeting of the Plevna Town Council will be Monday, May 13th, 2024, at the Plevna Community Center.

5/13/24

Signature Date:


Clerk, Ashley Martin


Mayor, Gary Thielen

Claim Checks

Check #	Type	Vendor #/Name	Check Amount	Date Issued	Period Redeemed	Claim #	Claim Amount
3577 *	S	140 Ashley Martin	91.98	04/08/24		CL 1699	38.98
						CL 1700	53.00
3578	S	999999 BROSZ ENGINEERING	3485.00	04/08/24		CL 1698	3485.00
3579	S	999999 BROSZ ENGINEERING	495.00	04/08/24		CL 1704	495.00
3580	S	5 Coral Creek Landfill	321.30	04/08/24		CL 1702	321.30
3581	S	9 Energy Laboratories, Inc.	152.00	04/08/24		CL 1695	152.00
3582	S	12 Farmer's Union Oil	81.29	04/08/24		CL 1703	81.29
3583	S	14 G&G Garbage	185.00	04/08/24		CL 1697	185.00
3584	S	17 Hawkins Inc.	1447.10	04/08/24		CL 1701	1447.10
3585	S	41 Post Master	174.00	04/08/24		CL 1707	174.00
3586	S	20 Runnings Supply Inc.	24.01	04/08/24		CL 1705	24.01

Total for Claim Checks 6456.68
 Count for Claim Checks 10

* denotes missing check number(s)

of Checks: 10 Total: 6456.68