REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF PLEVNA—Monday, August 9, 2021, 7:00 p.m. Plevna Community Center

Mayor Benner called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

Councilmen present: Jordan Hoffman, Gary Thielen, and Kyle Vennes.

Also present:

Krista Nemitz, Clerk/Treasurer

Rick Schell, Water Operator
Julie Straub, Human Resources

Jolene Boespflug, Assistant Clerk

Mark Thielen, Container Site Operator

Members of the public present: Shawn Sander, Corrine Sander and Lois Geving

The minutes were approved for the July 12, 2021, regular meeting.

Public Comment: none

Department Reports:

Human Resources – Julie has finished the Clerk/Treasurer job description. She will begin working on the Assistant Clerk job description next.

A motion was made by Councilman Thielen, seconded by Councilman Vennes to accept the Town of Plevna Clerk/Treasurer job description as written.

Ave: 3

Nav:0

Absent: 1

Abstain: 0

Carried: 3:1

Julie left the meeting at 7:20

Correspondence:

- An informational letter was received from Denning, Downey & Associates, P.C., that touches on accounting and auditing changes.
- TC Energy sent a letter terminating the bulk water contract.
- Corrine Sander submitted a Records Request for a Council Meeting Packet.

Old Business:

• Railroad Well Heaters – Jolene checked on propane tank prices. Basic Energy has a used tank that we can bid on. Councilman Thielen will look at the tank. Farmers Union in Beach also has used tanks available.

A motion was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Vennes to purchase a used propane tank for the Railroad Well Heaters.

Ave: 3

Nay:0

Absent: 1

Abstain: 0

Carried: 3:1

- **Street Repair** Councilman Higgins will contact the County Shop Foreman and work with Councilman Thielen to work out the details.
- **Lagoon Measuring Device** Rick brought a catalog and submitted some ideas of what kind of measuring device to purchase. He will do more research before purchasing.

A motion was made by Councilman Vennes, seconded by Councilman Hoffman to purchase 2 measuring devices.

Aye: 3 Nay:0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0 Carried: 3:1

New Business:

- Jerry Mellon inquired about only paying for garbage at the shop as he says they do not use water and sewer there. Mayor Benner stated that the State does not allow for customers to only pay for one service, they must pay for all 3 utilities.
- Plevna School inquired about having some of their water bill written off as they had a hot water heater go out in one of their houses and the basement flooded. The Town has to pay to produce the water so there is not much that can be done.

A motion was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Vennes to remove the sewer charge from the Plevna School's bill.

Aye: 3 Nay:0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0 Carried: 3:1

- ReImagining Rural There is a program that you can attend and discuss ideas for Town
 improvements or beautification ideas. There is potential of receiving grant money to help with
 discussed ideas if approved. Mayor Benner suggested the clerks move forward with the idea if
 time would allow.
- **Brittany Bertsch** Brittany is running a non-profit program and is live trapping feral cats and having them spayed/neutered and releasing them. Neither Council nor Mayor have an issue with this program.

Department Reports:

- Water Operator Nothing to report.
- Container Site Operator Still waiting for the container to be dumped.
- Bulk Water Pumping Site The gate valve will need to be replaced as this one leaks.
- Wastewater Operator Lagoon level is low. There is water in the Vennes Pit.

Clerks Report:

There is one past due account that will be forwarded to the Water Operator for shut off.

The new message center has arrived. The one-call is clear and Mayor Benner will help install.

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TOWN OF PLEVNA Check Register For the Accounting Period: 7/21

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Claim Checks

Check #	Туре	Check # Type Vendor #/Name		Period Check Amount Date Issued Redeemed	Date Issued	Period Redeemed	Claim #	Claim Amount
2961	S	5 Coral Cre	5 Coral Creek Landfill	213.25	213.25 08/09/21			
							CL 1350	213.25
2962	S	9 Energy La	9 Energy Laboratories, Inc.	22.00	08/09/21			
							CL 1346	22.00
2963	S	12 Farmers U	12 Farmers Union Oil Co.	80.11	80.11 08/09/21			
							CL 1349	80.11
2964	S	17 Hawkins Inc.	inc.	856.54	08/09/21			
							CL 1344	856.54
2965	S	133 Prairie Fuels	uels	580.00	08/09/21			
							CL 1345	580.00
2966	S	20 Runnings Supply Inc.	Supply Inc.	5.76	5.76 08/09/21			
							CL 1347	5.76
2967	S	60 US POSTAL SERVICE	, SERVICE	347.00	347.00 08/09/21			
							CL 1348	347.00
			Total for Claim Checks Count for Claim Checks	2104.66				

. denotes missing check number(s)

of Checks:

Total:

Financial Report — July 2021:

• The July financial report was reviewed and accepted by the Council.

Mayor/Council Comments: No additional comments.

Approve Claims:

A motion was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Vennes to approve the July claims in the amount of \$2,104.66.

Aye: 3

Nay:0

Absent: 1

Abstain: 0

Carried: 3:1

July Claims (\$2,104.66) see attached document.

Having no further business, Mayor Benner adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Plevna Town Council will be Monday, September 13, 2021, at the Community Center.

Town Clerk, Krista Nemitz

Mayor William Renner