

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF PLEVNA—Thursday, June 11, 2020, 7 p.m.**  
**Town Office**

This meeting was conducted virtually using ZOOM and teleconference. The meeting was open to the public with participation Meeting IDs provided by request.

Mayor Benner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Also present: Krista Nemitz, Clerk/Treasurer                      Rick Schell, Water Operator  
Mark Thielen, Container Site Operator

Members of the public present: none

The minutes were approved for the May 11, 2020, regular meeting.

**Public Comment:** No public comment.

**Old Business:**

**EXP Bulk Water** – Mayor Benner suggested hiring someone to read the meter at the fill site for the bulk water. The Council agrees, along with daily monitoring of access and fills. Mayor Benner suggests hiring Mark Thielen for an additional hour each day. Mark is willing to take on the additional job duties and would like to have a log book system put in place. Councilman Thielen will source a log book.

**A motion was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Vennes to hire Mark Thielen to take on the additional job duties involved with monitoring the fill site at the Railroad Well.**

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

The EXP Group sent over a new contract for purchasing bulk water from the Town. They are offering to pay \$40,000.00 up front to help cover the cost of installing a new pump for the Railroad Well along with the necessary road and pump house maintenance. They proposed a price of \$5.00/1,000 gallons of bulk water. The Council discussed these changes to the contract.

**A motion was made by Councilman Thielen, seconded by Councilman Hoffman to agree to the newly proposed contract with EXP Group for the sale of bulk water.**

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

**Railroad Well Maintenance** – Work on the road is going well. Trees are being removed along the south side of the approach, as necessary. Cliff will be pouring concrete next week and reported that all his parts are in for completing his portion of the work. The Town Clerk will reach out to Askin Well Repair for an update on the well progress.

**MIT Water Tank Cleaning** – The Council would like to see if cleaning of the water tank can be worked into the budget for approximately every five years.

**Beyers Gas Storage Tank** – Ryan has implemented a containment for his above ground storage tank. Mayor Benner stopped by his residence to make sure the other requirements have been met as well. If Ryan’s tank is not compliant with the previously outlined regulations, he will be required to remove it.

**Garbage Service Interest Letter** – The Town Council has been advised against submitting a letter of interest in favor of a new garbage service being offered by a private party. The Council agrees that the Town should not endorse one garbage service over another.

**Lagoon Mowing** – The Wastewater Operator is yet to complete the mowing at the Lagoon site. Councilman Hoffman gave a report to the Council that he was approached at his residence by the Wastewater Operator. She stated that Jason from Griffith Rental is not comfortable with the Town using his mower around the lagoon cells. She took photos into Griffith Rental to discuss her mowing requirements with Jason. Councilman Thielen had also visited Jason with recent photos after the Wastewater Operator had been there. After this visit with Councilman Thielen, Jason had no problem with the Town renting the Brushcutter and felt it was more than adequate to handle the job. The Council decided to try getting the Wastewater Operator on the phone to clear up this disagreement. Corrine Sanders was called on her home line at 7:23 p.m. with no answer. Corrine Sanders was called again on her cell line at 7:25 p.m. with no answer. The Council requested that the Town Clerk set up a directive meeting with the Operator and two Councilmen. Mayor Benner will contact Human Resources.

**New Business:**

- Brian and Jill Hildebrand would like an extension on their building permit. All Councilmen agreed that there would be no problem extending the permit.
- The Town Clerk will start mailing out letters concerning mowing. Letters will be sent to Janz, Branson, and Radue for now.
- Mary Grube has reached out to the Plevna Town Council via email to suggest they adopt an ordinance with planning fees. The Council is in agreeance with this.

**A motion was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Vennes to move forward with an ordinance covering planning fees associated with zoning.**

**Aye: 3**

**Nay:0**

**Absent: 1**

**Abstain: 0**

**Carried: 3:1**

**Department Reports:**

- **Water Operator** – Rick is working on the paperwork for sending the pump house meter off for calibration.
- **Container Site Operator** – Mark reported that someone dumped a boat trailer in the metal bin at the container site sometime after hours. He will be changing the lock code on the gates.



- **Wastewater Operator** — Corrine was absent but turned in the May Lagoon Log Sheet prior to the meeting.

**Clerk Report:** The past due accounts were reviewed with the Council. Expenditure and revenue reports for FY20 were given to each Councilman for review. The Clerk recorded VOID check #2674 for ACH Payment from TransCanada Energy. Expenditure vs. Actual Budget Reports were provided for all Council members to review. There are still issues with the Town's G&G Garbage account. The Clerk will audit the statements back to December 2019 with a G&G representative to get things straightened out.

**Financial Report — May 2020:**

- The May financial report was reviewed and accepted by the council.

**Mayor/Council Comments:** There were no bids received for replacing the sidewalks on the east side of Main Street. Mayor Benner and the Councilmen will check around again.

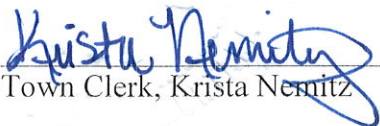
**Approve Claims:**

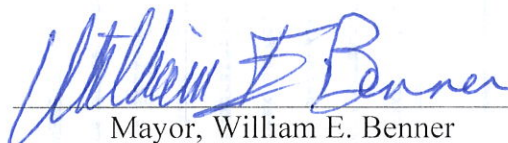
A motion was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Vennes to approve the May claims in the amount of \$1,569.83.

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

**April Claims (\$1,569.83) 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, July 13, 2020, at the Town Office.

  
Town Clerk, Krista Nemitz

  
Mayor, William E. Benner

06/25/20  
10:38:30

TOWN OF FLEVNA  
Check Register

For the Accounting Period: 5/20

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Claim Checks

Check #	Type	Vendor #/Name	Check Amount	Date Issued	Period Redemmed	Claim #	Claim Amount
-99834	E	18 Montana Dakota Utilities	755.92	06/11/20	5/20	CL 1177	755.92
-99833	E	19 Mid Rivers Communication	89.16	06/11/20	5/20	CL 1182	89.16
2684 *	S	16 Baker Ace Hardware	14.99	06/11/20		CL 1185	14.99
2685	S	5 Coral Creek Landfill	265.50	06/11/20		CL 1178	265.50
2686	S	9 Energy Laboratories, Inc.	22.00	06/11/20		CL 1174	22.00
2687	S	12 Farmers Union Oil Co.	67.80	06/11/20		CL 1181	67.80
2688	S	120 Gooseneck Implement	96.16	06/11/20		CL 1179	96.16
2689	S	32 Insurance Store, Inc.	100.00	06/11/20		CL 1176	100.00
2690	S	99999 KRISTA NEMITZ	53.30	06/11/20		CL 1175	53.30
2691	S	42 MT DEQ	70.00	06/11/20		CL 1183	70.00
2692	S	35 Rick A Schell	35.00	06/11/20		CL 1184	35.00

Total for Claim Checks  
Count for Claim Checks

1569.83  
11

\* denotes missing check number(s)

# of Checks: 11 Total: 1569.83

