

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Scott Decker called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM

II. ROLL CALL

Present were: President Scott Decker, Vice President John Odermann,
Commissioners Jason Fridrich, Suzi Sobolik and Robert Baer

Telephone: None

Absent: None

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Lead by Girl Scout Troop 86710.

2. ORDER OF BUSINESS

MOTION BY: Robert Baer SECONDED BY: Suzi Sobolik

To approve the March 19, 2024 meeting as presented.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 5, Nay 0, Absent 0
Motion declared duly passed

3. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION BY: Robert Baer SECONDED BY: Suzi Sobolik

A. Approval of Meeting Minutes dated March 19, 2024.

B. Approval of Accounts Payable, Commerce Bank and Checkbook

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 5, Nay 0, Absent 0
Motion declared duly passed

4. ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE

A. Memorial Park Renaming

City Administrator Dustin Dassinger presents a resolution to rename the Memorial Park to Veterans Memorial Park. He states in the best interests of the City to offer support to Dickinson Parks and Recreation regarding the renaming of Memorial Park to Veterans Memorial Park.

Commissioner John Odermann states this is good to finally have the name changed. The Veterans have done an amazing job at the park.

MOTION BY: Robert Baer SECONDED BY: John Odermann
Adopt Resolution No. 18-2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 18 - 2024
**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF RENAMING MEMORIAL
PARK IN THE CITY OF DICKINSON, NORTH DAKOTA**

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 5, Nay 0, Absent 0
Motion declared duly passed

B. Gaming Site Authorization for American Legion Mathew Brew

City Administrator Dustin Dassinger presents a Gaming Site Authorization for the Sanford’s Grub and Pub. This site authorization will be held by American Legion Mathew Brew. He lists the kinds of gaming they will be having from 7/1/2024-6/30/2025.

MOTION BY: Suzi Sobolik SECONDED BY: John Odermann
To approve the Gaming Site Authorization for American Legion Mathew Brew for Sanford’s Grub and Pub.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 5, Nay 0, Absent 0
Motion declared duly passed

park and two playgrounds. The community center renovated the large slide and added lines for pickle ball in the tennis court. He also updates the Commission on the new locks for the hockey club and put out a community center survey. Plans for the 2024 season is replacement of the playground at Pleasant Valley Park and adding playground at the DSU sports complex, and the renovation of the DSU tennis courts. The community center has received a \$50,000 grant from Marathon for improvements to the Crooked Crane Trail. Mr. Rae thanks the Commission and the City for all their support.

Commissioner John Odermann thanks Mr. Ray for the collaborative approach and the open-minded approach is appreciated as they are doing a great job.

B. Dickinson State University Presentation

President Stephen Easton from Dickinson State University thanks the City Commission for keeping DSU in the loop and having DSU present quarterly. He also thanks the City for the financial support. He updates the Commission on the agriculture arena and rodeo renovations. He visited about the \$25 million dollar building and the upgrades that he would like to see done to the building so that rodeos can be held in this building. At this time the current arena is not large enough for roping events. He states the college is to raise \$4 million dollars in order get the state funds. He discusses the warm up areas that are needed during the winter events. He states the facility will attract more people to Dickinson for the weekends. President Easton states that half of the funding will be used in other areas of the arena such as the outside of the building. This would be used to spiff up the bricks and motor of the building. He would like to see the outside of the building change to gray from yellow.

Commissioner Robert Baer questions the accessibility to the classrooms upstairs on the second floor or if an elevator will be provided.

President Scott Decker feels this project will benefit the entire community and also bring many people to Dickinson for events. Then the hotels, restaurants, and others will benefit from the events. The challenge is getting more and more people to help out. He is thankful for the cooperation between DSU, Public Schools and CTE as these are all benefitting the city at this time.

President Easton appreciates the City's consideration to the project. He states if everyone works together this will be a big part of the community.

Commissioner John Odermann thanks Dr. Easton for the presentation and states without DSU Dickinson would not be what it is. He states what DSU has provided over the past 100+ years with education and professionalism to the community he feels Dickinson thrives when the everyone supports each other. Commissioner Odermann is supportive of this project and hopes to finance to the level they are asking for.

C. Public Hearing – Sims Facility Plan for SRF Loan

Engineering and Community Development Director Josh Skluzacek presents a public hearing in regards to the SRF loan. This project would be Sims Street- 9th Street East to Museum Drive. This would be a low interest rate of 2% for 30 years. This would be for storm water improvements from 10th all the way up to the interstate. This would add storm water improvements on Museum Drive and inlets will mitigate risks.

Apex Engineering Scott Schneider states the SRF loan which has been widely used during collection systems. This would be an upgrade to Sims street collection improvements and it would eliminate 1 lift station. He states instead of upgrading lift stations this improvement would take place. Mr. Schneider states this facility plan addresses for actually utilization loan for Sims Street projects which will be constructed this year.

President Scott Decker opens the public hearing at 5:53 p.m. Hearing no public comments, the hearing is closed at 5:55 p.m. and the following motion is made.

MOTION BY: John Odermann
Adopt Resolution No. 20-2024.

SECONDED BY: Robert Baer

RESOLUTION NO: 20- 2024

Resolution authorizing filing of application with the North Dakota Department of Health for a Loan under the Clean Water Act and/or the Safe Drinking Water Act.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 5, Nay 0, Absent 0
Motion declared duly passed

E. Public Comments not on Agenda

Citizen Dean Kløver proposes to the City Commission the idea of paint it forward program where people could come paint buildings that need to be rejuvenated and raising funds to help someone in need. This would be like a charity run. The city would provide the paint and then the community would raise money to paint the homes. The most recent project like this was in Florida.

9. COMMISSION

Commissioner Robert Baer thanks Girl Scout Troop 86710 whom are the second-year cadets for leading the Commissioners and attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance. He also thanks Baker Boy for donating the donuts for the Meet the Commissioners event. Commissioner Baer states Baker Boy very supportive and committed to the community.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY: John Odermann

SECONDED BY: Robert Baer

Adjournment of the meeting was at 6:20 P.M.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote... Aye 5, Nay 0, Absent 0
Motion declared duly passed.

OFFICIAL MINUTES PREPARED BY:

Rita Binstock, Assistant to City Administrator

APPROVED BY:

Dustin Dassinger, City Administrator

Scott Decker, President
Board of City Commissioners

Date: April 16, 2024