COLFAX CITY COUNCIL March 4, 2024

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

Golden, McRae, Schaefer, Mackleit, Guenthner, Sevedge and Huntwork: Present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was entered by Golden, seconded by Schaefer to approve the minutes from the February 20, 2024 Council meeting. Roll Call: All Yes.

GOOD OF THE CITY:

The city employees were awarded the WellCity distinction by making an outstanding commitment to employee health saving the city 2% on medical premiums.

Colfax Girls Basketball fell short at the state tournament. The Colfax Boys Basketball brought home the championship trophy.

Little Guys Wrestling Tournament is March 16th. Fonk's will be doing a breakfast and the Eagle's will run the concession stand.

Colfax Kiwanis are hosting a Masquerade Ball fundraiser at the Colfax Golf Course Community Center March 10th. There will be light refreshments, no-host bar, DJ Joe Kennedy and a silent auction.

BILLS AND CLAIMS:

A motion was entered by Schaefer, seconded by Guenthner to approve all bills and claims as presented. Roll Call: All Yes.

CLAIMS	PAYROLL
#9490, 9492-9519 (9491	#9484-9489, 9493-9499 & EFT
Voided)	
\$16,747.05	\$116,221.17

GRAND TOTAL: \$132,968.22

CITIZENS REQUEST:

PUBLIC HEARING:

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PRESENTATION/WORK STUDY:

Colfax Chamber:

President Gary Young and Executive Director Katrina Johnson came to introduce themselves and spoke about what they are up to. This year it is an all new board except Hannah Kuhl, they are going through the Chamber Bi-laws and updating where needed.

The Chamber will host a Monthly Mixer at the Center on Thursday at 5:00 p.m. hoping to encourage more community involvement.

The Chamber is partnering with the Kiwanis, Eagle's and the Thrifty Grandmother's to update the Skate Park.

March 26th will be their next board meeting at the Colfax Professional Building at 10:00 a.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance 24-05- Building Code Update-Chapter 15.02:

Chapter 15.02 Building Code Update was brought before council last meeting for review. This draft has the new information added, the old removed with the ordinance.

Retzer asked if the council had any questions. There were none.

A motion was entered by Golden, seconded by Mackleit to approve Ordinance 24-05 Building Code Update CMC 15.02.

Sevedge informed the council of a meeting at the Center on Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. regarding the Whitman Community Hospital Board voting to shut the OB Department down. Sevedge went on to say Colfax has had great medical care and to retain doctors the OB department is a key factor in this. She encouraged anyone interested to attend the meeting to voice their concerns.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Public Works:

Hammer asked the Public Works Committee to meet to go over the statement of qualifications for the water system upgrades. They will meet Thursday March 7th at 6:00 p.m.

Police:

Officer Tate reported they are still working through the hiring process to hire replacement officer.

Administration:

Front office staff is still in the auditing process. Hope to wrap that up soon.

COMMITTEE/BOARD/COMISSION REPORTS:

OTHER BUSINESS:

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CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

MAYORS REPORT:

There will be a fundraiser for the Golf Course Colfax Community Building to help raise the rest of the funds for their building. There will be a live auction and a steak dinner for \$50.00 a plate.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Retzer adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Jim Retzer, Mayor

Lynda Kramlich, City Clerk