

Public Notices

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City of Oakes Board of Equalization April 9, 2024

The Board of Equalization met at 6:00 PM at Oakes Community Center with the following members present: Acting Mayor Harris. Council: Bakke, Hernandez-Waite, Mayer and Day. Employees present: Dan Brandner, Lee Bredeson, Matthew O'Brien, Jeremy Sitzler, Rod Rodningen, Jason Paradis and Zasha Johnson. Visitors present: Kausha Magill, Dave Novak, Lori Novak, Josh Roehrich, Kerry Ell, Jerilyn Braaten, Matthew Miller, Marlys Ruhn, Shelley Atkinson, Darrick Nitschke, Mark Malmberg, Rod Garland, Mike Kelly and Cindy Bagley.

Rodningen addressed the council explaining that 59 Homestead Credit and 7 Veteran's exemption applications were received for the City of Oakes. Rodningen presented his evaluations and changes for the year. Marlys Ruhn had questions about her increase, explained that it was due to her 2-year New Home Exemption expiring. Rod Garland questioned the valuation of his shop building that is now a separate parcel. Rodningen will work with him to verify valuation and adjust as necessary. He also asked questions about special assessments and was told to stop in Auditor's office to discuss since that is a separate situation. Bakke moved, Mayer second to approve residential evaluations and changes as presented, carried. Further discussion took place regarding commercial properties and how some planned increases were being withdrawn and will be addressed next year. Bakke moved, Hernandez-Waite second to approve commercial evaluations and changes as presented, carried.

City Council Meeting April 9, 2024

The City Council met at 6:16 PM at Oakes Community Center with the same members, employees and visitors present.

Engineer Report: Roehrich reminded council members of street project bid opening on Friday and said seven contractors had pulled the plans, typically half will submit an actual bid. Day moved, Mayer second to approve engineering invoice 37728 for street improvement project, carried. Lead line inventory is moving forward, nothing needed from the city at this time. Historical invoices for water plant support have been reviewed and approved by City operator, also included an invoice for January 2024 to current. Water plant support will be billed monthly going forward. Mayer moved, Hernandez-Waite second to approve all water plant support invoices as presented, carried.

Minutes, Auditor and Court Reports: Bakke moved, Day second to approve minutes, police report and auditor reports, carried.

Building Permits: Discussed existing alley and location of property lines, determined a variance was not needed. Bakke moved, Mayer second to approve building permit as listed, carried.

1. **Novak, E 1/2 Of 11 & All Of 12 Blk 40 EOP, Garage Addition**
Gaming Site Permit Application: Mayer moved, Bakke second to approve game of chance permits as listed, carried.

1. Oakes American Legion Club,

gaming location Oakes American Legion: Bingo, Raffles, Pull Tab Jar, Electronic Pull Tabs and Twenty-One

Bills: Bakke moved, Day second to approve bills, carried.

Affac	118.10
Agtegra	160.00
American Welding & Gas	40.52
Aqua Pure	3,903.00
Avid Hawk	200.00
Bobcat	247.44
Central Business Systems	167.12
Chads Electric	1,111.24
City of Fargo	28.00
Column Solutions	150.48
Computer Express	200.00
Country Roads Vet Services	525.00
Dakota Valley Electric	664.00
DRN	970.26
Economy Propane	740.60
Fabian Pest Control	150.00
Heritage Insurance	622.70
Information Technology	125.55
James River Repair	222.00
Midwest Pest Control	75.00
Millers Foods	11.94
Moore Engineering	6,111.17
Napa	1,035.60
ND Comm Corrections.	300.40
NDSU Extension	40.00
ND League of Cities	237.50
One Call	2.60
NDPERS-Group Ins.	19,719.9
NDPERS-Retirement	9,364.23
Novak Electric	632.50
Oakes Chamber	6,500.00
Oakes Enhancement	12,940.55
Oakes Times	313.50
Ottertail	8,383.78
Outlaw Redneck Trucking	420.00
Paradis Law Office	500.00
Praska's Hardware	443.14
Rod's Cleaning	80.00
Sabrie Toepke	210.00
Starion Bank	2,407.04
Starion Bond Services	553,832.51
Sweets & Stories	74.80
Tornado Stop	2,744.61
Transource Truck & Equipment	1,824.49
Valley Plains Equipment	359.96
Verizon	547.11
Visa Credit Card-City	785.55
Visa Credit Card-library	933.52
Visto's Carquest	204.70
Waste Management-Recycle	10,317.30
Zasha Johnson	384.58
Payroll Taxes	14,960.32
Salaries	61,084.46

Visitors: Kausha Magill Oakes Chamber Director presented the council with information about funding for Irrigation Days and their estimated budget for this year. Mayer moved, Bakke second to give \$6,500 from the tourism funds, carried.

Committee Reports: Police Mayer explained that officers sometimes have excess vacation hours they don't use during the year. They often switch shifts to cover time off to avoid paying excess overtime. Current policy was looked at and discussed, possible policy changes will be discussed at a later date. Mayer moved, Bakke second to payout excess vacation hours currently outstanding for the police officers, carried. The speed limit and curve on 14th Street North of Fir Avenue were reviewed after concerns were raised. Mayer moved, Bakke second to place 25mph signs on both ends of N 14th Street and chevron curve signs where needed, carried. Streets Day informed council that Hoffman Irrigation will be cutting curb to gain access to their newly purchased land in the indus-

trial park, will work with Ottertail if the need arises for them as well. Brandner announced that the street sweeper on auction was won with a bid of \$21,000. The old sweeper will be kept until we make sure the new one is up and running well. Day moved, Bakke second to purchase a dump trailer from Sparks Trailers for \$12,000, carried. Brandner will move forward with hiring seasonal summer employees. Garbage City landfill rates were compared to what we are charged by the Gwinner landfill to dispose of items. Bakke moved to charge a minimum of \$30 per pickup load and increase each additional size by \$15.00, after further discussion the motion was removed from the floor. More information will be gathered and presented at the next meeting.

Unfinished Business: Miller's Food Off-Sale application was presented again for consideration. City Attorney Paradis confirmed that their plans meet all state regulations regarding entry and check-out locations. He referred council to the city Ordinance that deals with the location of a business selling alcoholic beverages. Bakke moved to approve the application as presented, the motion failed for lack of a second. Extensive discussion occurred with many questions asked by the council. The representatives from Miller's Fresh Foods answered questions and explained their responsibility to uphold the state regulations. Concerns about access to alcohol by employees under the age of 21 were voiced as were concerns about the number of off-sale locations already in the city. Day moved, Mayer second to deny the application as presented, carried with Bakke voting nay. Property Set Back ordinances were discussed, Hernandez-Waite presented an option for updating and clarifying the existing ordinances. First draft of the new ordinance will be written up for approval at the next meeting. Lot 22 Blk 9 Original Plat was offered for sale on bids. One bid was received for \$3050.00, Mayer moved, Bakke second to accept the bid and sell the lot, carried.

New Business: Spring Clean-Up - will take place May 1st - 4th Wed-Friday 3pm-7pm Saturday 8am-3pm.

Gravel Bids, One gravel bid was received for \$13.25/ton. Bakke moved, Mayer second to accept the bid from R Enterprises, carried.

Dangerous Building a residence that is extremely unsanitary was recently discovered during an emergency service call. The owner is no longer living in the home; emergency service providers and some council members that have seen the home believe it is uninhabitable, unsalvageable and should be declared a dangerous building and be demolished. Paradis explained the steps needed for this process to happen. Bakke moved, Day second to direct the health officer to make a determination of habitability of the home at 807 Grape Ave, carried.

Announcements & Correspondence: Water appropriation notice received from Layne Schmit.

Bakke moved, Day second to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 PM.

MAYOR ATTEST

(minutes subject to correction and approval at the next regular meeting) (April 25, 2024)

LIBRARY CORNER

REVIEWS SUBMITTED BY JEANINE PAHL

The Silent Town
by Annie Taylor

(Tallman's Valley Detectives #3) Kate gets a glimpse of a tiny, silent town where the daylight never appears. While exploring the area, a shocking multiple shooting occurs on the mountain nearby. How could a frail old man kill his family? With fire season at its peak, Kate must work fast to gather the facts.

Keeper of the Stars
by Buck Turner

Twelve years after she gave her heart away, Dr. Ellie Spencer receives a mysterious package that makes her question her past. Inside is a novel written by her first love, Jack Bennett. Captivated by the story, she finds it to have similarities to her time with Jack. Is it possible to rewrite the stars?

A Love Discovered
by Tracie Peterson

(Heart of the Cheyenne #1) After the deaths of his wife and son, Edward Vogel decides to

leave the past behind and moves to Cheyenne where there is a possibility of work. The issue is that the newly formed town has become corrupt with the arrival of the railroad. Newcoming men are expected to have a family to grow the town and establish law and order. Marybeth Kruger, having no means of support, and in danger of losing her toddler stepsister, enters a marriage of convenience with Edward, the husband of her late best friend. Will this be enough to save them from their pasts?.

We continue to have a generous collection of Large Print books from NDSL. Stop by and look!

Bookworm Discovery Class - 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 in the library.

Lego Lovers - 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:00.

Library hours are Monday, Tuesday & Thursday from 1:30 to 5:30, Wednesday 1:30 to 7:30, Friday 1:30 to 3:30.

742-3234-EXT. 151 (We are following distancing and sanitation procedures) HOURS- MON, TUES & THURS 1:30-5:30PM, WED 1:30-7:30PM, FRI 1:30-3:30PM. PLEASE FOLLOW THE OAKES PUBLIC LIBRARY ON FACEBOOK FOR THE MOST UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION. OAKES PUBLIC LIBRARY OAKES, ND

Oakes Police Department March calls for service

3/1/2024	3:21 PM COUNTERFEITING; 4:46 PM MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT	PM TRAFFIC STOP/SPEEDING IN SCHOOL ZONE; 6:42 PM CIVIL DISPUTE
3/6/2024	3:36 PM MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT/CARELESS DRIVING; 5:17 PM GAS DRIVE OFF; 7:26 PM TRAFFIC STOP/DUI ARREST; 12:00 AM CRIME REPORT/THEFT; 9:05 PM CIVIL DISPUTE	3/21/2024
3/12/2024	1:38 AM ASSAULT/ASSIST OTHER AGENCY; 11:26 AM CIVIL STANDBY/ IMPOUND VEHICLE; 12:27 PM DISORDERLY CONDUCT/ HARMASMENT; 4:05 PM WELFARE CHECK; 4:54 PM TRAFFIC STOP/ WARNING FOR SPEED; 5:11 PM TRAFFIC STOP/EXHIBITION DRIVING; 5:31 PM CRIME REPORT/ VANDALISM; 8:07 PM WELFARE CHECK	12:50 AM MEDICAL ASSIST; 3:54 PM DOG AT LARGE CITATION; 6:55 PM MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT
3/2/2024	7:30 PM TRAFFIC STOP/EQUIPMENT VIOLATION; 11:17 PM: TRAFFIC STOP/NO HEADLIGHTS	3/22/2024
3/3/2024	7:17 PM DISORDERLY CONDUCT/ MENTAL HEALTH; 9:58 PM MEDICAL ASSIST/MENTAL HEALTH; 10:57 PM HARSEMENT/RESISTING ARREST/ DISORDERLY CONDUCT/SIMPLE ASSAULT ON POLICE OFFICER ARREST	9:55 AM ANIMAL CRUELTY
3/4/2024	2:34 PM MEDICAL ASSIST/HEALTH AND SAFETY; 5:55 PM: MEDICAL ASSIST;	3/23/2024
3/5/2024	12:19 AM DOMESTIC DISPUTE; 3:39 PM: FOLLOW-UP; 5:33 PM: DANGEROUS BUILDING/ANIMAL NEGLECT/HEALTH AND SAFETY; 5:44 PM: CIVIL DISPUTE	12:40 PM 911 MISDIAL; 12:00 AM CIVIL DISPUTE
3/6/2024	11:30 AM: 911 HANGUP	3/24/2024
3/7/2024	9:31 AM SEARCH WARRANT; 7:57 PM: TRAFFIC STOP/WARNING FOR SPEED; 11:15 PM: TRAFFIC STOP/ TRAFFIC VIOLATION	12:05 PM VEHICLE UNLOCK; 4:08 PM ALARM CALL; 12:00 AM PARKING COMPLAINT; 12:00 AM DOG AT LARGE
3/8/2024	3:47 AM: TRAFFIC STOP/NO HEADLIGHTS; 5:32 AM: FIRE CALL; 4:59 PM DOMESTIC DISPUTE; 8:05 PM 911 HANGUP	3/25/2024
3/10/2024	2:59 PM DOG AT LARGE	5:52 PM TRAFFIC STOP/ 7:08 PM RECKLESS DRIVER COMPLAINT; 11:39 PM SUSPICIOUS/SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE
3/11/2024	10:18 AM CRIME REPORT/THEFT;	3/26/2024
		1:17 PM ABANDONED 911/MISDIAL; 5:15 PM ASSISTANCE/WELFARE CHECK; 6:37 PM TRAFFIC STOP/ SPEEDING
		3/27/2024
		12:00 AM ASSIST OTHER AGENCY; 8:08 PM TRAFFIC STOP/CARE REQUIRED; 11:27 PM DOMESTIC DISPUTE
		3/29/2024
		12:48 AM INJURY MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT; 4:05 PM ASSIST OTHER AGENCY
		3/30/2024
		1:25 AM TRAFFIC STOP/NO HEADLIGHTS; 6:42 PM RECKLESS DRIVER COMPLAINT; 7:55 PM TRAFFIC STOP/DISREGARD STOP SIGN
		3/31/2024
		10:47 PM SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE



Electronics Recycling

Monday April 29th & Tuesday April 30th
7am-3pm



Oakes City Shop
(105 South 2nd Street)



Bring your electronic items in to be recycled:
TVs, Computers, Printers, Stereos, VCR's,
Mobile Phones, Etc.

(These items are not allowed in the dumpsters)

Cost will be \$1.00 per pound & must be paid at time of disposal.

Items will be weighed on location.



SPRING CLEAN-UP WEEK MAY 1st- MAY 4th

Wednesday-Friday 3pm-7pm Saturday 8am-3pm

Dispose of items free of charge

NO items will be picked up on a boulevard by the City

THERE WILL BE DESIGNATED AREAS AT THE
City Waste Disposal Site

located 2 miles west on County Rd 3 -
then ¾ of a mile south on 108th Ave

Please Note: There will still be a charge for shingles

A Few Reminders:

- Cardboard—Please recycle or put in cardboard dumpsters in town
- Yard Wastes—Must be disposed of at Compost Site
- Tree Branches – Must be disposed of at the Tree Pile
- Appliances - must have Freon removed and tagged as such

Not Allowed:

- Televisions – Computers – Electronics
- Hazardous Materials
 - Batteries, Pesticides, etc.
- Household Garbage
- Tires
- Animal Droppings & Medical Wastes
- Paint cans

For Assistance or Information call City Hall - 742-2137