

Dawson City Council Minutes  
October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
5:30 pm

Councilpersons present: JT Schacherer, Vince Adelman, Jeff Olson, David Hansen and Jake Bothun. Councilman Prestholdt was absent. Others present: Mayor Randy Tensen, City Manager Jill Kemen, City Clerk Kristin Daline, Public Works Superintendent Kurt Collins, Jim Michels, Randy Stafford and Ben Bothun.

Mayor Tensen called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. and everyone repeated the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Schacherer motioned to approve the agenda with addition of 9A, Ducks Unlimited Gambling Permit, seconded by Councilman Hansen. Voting in favor, Councilman Bothun, Councilman Olson, Councilman Hansen, Councilman Schacherer and Councilman Adelman. Absent: Councilman Prestholdt. Against: none. Motion passed.

Councilman Olson motioned to approve consent agenda item, seconded by Councilman Schacherer: A. October 1<sup>st</sup> Council Minutes. Voting in favor, Councilman Bothun, Councilman Hansen, Councilman Schacherer, Councilman Olson and Councilman Adelman. Absent: Councilman Prestholdt. Against: none. Motion passed.

Ben Bothun has taken over the city's property liability insurance with the League of MN Cities. The city will see a \$16,079 increase from 2024. The League looks at the city's overall expenses and uses a three-year running average. Councilman Olson motioned to waive the statutory tort limits per claimant with a second from Councilman Hansen. Voting in favor, Councilman Bothun, Councilman Hansen, Councilman Schacherer, Councilman Olson and Councilman Adelman. Absent: Councilman Prestholdt. Against: none. Motion passed.

#### 10 Minute Public Forum

Mayor Tensen opened the 10-minute public forum at 5:36 pm. Hearing nothing, Mayor Tensen closed the 10-minute public forum at 5:37 pm.

#### Public Works Superintendent Kurt Collin's Report

Stripers have completed their work and have done a decent job. They came in \$300 below estimate. After looking more closely at the plow truck, the crew has determined it is worse than they thought and needs to be talked about again. Kurt has been pricing used trucks ranging from \$60-\$70K, with newer ones (5 years old) closer to \$100k.

#### City Manager Jill Kemen's Report

The EDA is working with MN Housing completing paperwork for the duplex deferred loan. Hoping to have local contractors bid on the project with a projected start date in Spring of 2025. The liaison from the state for the Deputy Registrar was here today, and went well. Jill is hoping to have resident involvement in 2025 for city boards and committees. Please let her know if you know of anyone that would be interested.

New Business

A gambling permit for Ducks Unlimited has been submitted for approval. Councilman Olson motioned for approval with a second from Councilman Hansen. Voting in favor, Councilman Bothun, Councilman Hansen, Councilman Schacherer, Councilman Olson and Councilman Adelman. Absent: Councilman Prestholdt. Against: none. Motion passed.

Miscellaneous Announcements

The next city council meeting will be Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm. Council will be canvassing votes for the local election. It is possible that this will be the only meeting in November due to the election.

With nothing more to discuss, Councilman Schacherer motioned to adjourn the meeting with a second from Councilman Bothun. Voting in favor, Councilman Bothun, Councilman Hansen, Councilman Olson, Councilman Schacherer and Councilman Adelman. Absent: Councilman Prestholdt. Against: none. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 5:42 pm.

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Kristin Daline, City Clerk

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Randy Tensen, Mayor