Dixon City Commission Regular Session Monday, May 12, 2025, 6pm

Dixon City Commission met in session Monday, May 12, 2025, 6 p.m. Attending were Mayor Terry Webb, Commissioners Randy Norman, Peggy Poole, Robert Brown, and Mandee O'Leary, City Attorney Lindsay Durbin, City Clerk Barb Goff, Code Enforcement Officer Chris O'Leary, and Code Enforcement Board member Stace Poole.

Commissioner Norman made a motion to open a public meeting to discuss Local Government Economic Assistance and Municipal Road Aid funds, seconded by Commissioner Poole, all ayes. As there was no public comment, Commissioner O'Leary made a motion to close the public meeting, seconded by Commissioner Brown, all ayes.

Minutes were approved on a motion by Commissioner Poole, seconded by Commissioner Norman, all ayes.

Bills were approved on a motion by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner O'Leary, all ayes. Commissioner Poole made a motion to reimburse Janice Baker for the expenses of flowers for the planter boxes on Main Street, seconded by Commissioner Norman, all ayes.

Dixon Fire Department completed 27 runs in April.

Water loss for April was at 21%. A recent major leak at Clarky Clark field was noted, along with the recommendation to draft an ordinance that will allow the City to disconnect service to an individual account until repairs are made in the event that customer suffers a catastrophic leak.

The previously requested "no outlet" signs have been installed. It was suggested to renew the paint of the yellow curbs around the 132/41A intersection prior to Memorial Day.

Mayor Webb announced the City has been approved for the Government Resources Accelerating Needed Transformation (GRANT) grant, but will only receive that funding if the City's Land and Water Conservation Fund grant is awarded. The GRANT will provide most of the required matching for the LWCF which has received preliminary approval and is awaiting a decision by the National Park Service. Commissioner O'Leary, liaison to the Park, Playground, and Recreation Board, will request assistance with the flower planter boxes from the Board, to include watering and future decorating. The Park, Playground, and Recreation Board has completed restocking the lake at Baker Park with fish. Mayor Webb noted the chemical control panel for the splash pad has been discovered to not be functioning properly. Continued work is being done to attempt repair, but it is likely a new control panel will be needed, at an estimated cost of \$2400.

Charter Communications has approached the City in regards to renewing a franchise agreement that expires in July 2026. Presently, Charter's franchise fees are paid to the State, and the City receives funds through the State's telecommunications tax program. The proposed renewal agreement, in which the City will continue to receive funds from the State program, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Poole, seconded by Commissioner Norman, all ayes.

The first reading of a budget proposal for the 2025-26 fiscal year was approved on a motion by Commissioner Poole, seconded by Commissioner Brown, all ayes. The proposal includes a \$0.50 per hour salary increase for three current full time employees, to be effective July 1. The Commission was advised to consider a rate increase once the expected increase from Webster County Water District becomes effective.

Matthew Cutteridge was approved as an additional member to the Park, Playground, and Recreation Board on a motion by Commissioner O'Leary, seconded by Commissioner Norman, all ayes.

An updated printing for the City Ordinance book was approved on a motion by Commissioner Poole, seconded by Commissioner O'Leary, all ayes. The estimated cost for the update is \$1700-2300.

City Attorney Durbin provided an update on a Code Enforcement lien foreclosure for the property at 118 N Stegal. A motion for default judgement has been filed, and upon approval of the motion, the property will go for sale by the master commissioner. On behalf of the Code Enforcement Board, Mr. Poole expressed appreciation to the Commission and Attorney for the completion of the case.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Norman, seconded by Commissioner Poole, all ayes.

Signed:

Terry Webb, Mayor

Barbara Goff, City Clerk