## **Public Notices**

## CITY OF BEULAH MARCH 17 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 17, 2025, 6:30 PM BEULAH CITY HALL COUNCIL **CHAMBERS** 

### CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the Beulah City Council was called to order at 6:30 pm by Council President Jason Isaak with Council Members Gary Miller, Tim Aichele, Bill Keller, Auston Biles, Kameron Plienis, Cameron Brown and Adam Baker present. Sean Cheatley absent.

Also Present: City Attorney Scott Solem, Economic Dev. Dir. Beaver Brinkman, Police Chief Frank Senn, Rebecca Berner, Beulah Residents.

Pledge of Allegiance

Aichele moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting on March 3 and approve as provided to the Council by email. Biles seconded. Roll call vote found Aichele, Biles, Brown, Miller and Keller in favor. Plienis and Baker abstained. Motion passed.

### **COUNCIL PORTFOLIOS** Council President Isaak

Baker moved to set the Board of Equalization meeting date for 6:30 pm on April 7, 2025. Biles seconded. Roll call vote found Baker, Biles, Plienis, Aichele, Brown, Miller and Keller in

Biles moved to approve the February financial reports. Keller seconded. Roll call vote found Biles, Keller, Baker, Plienis, Aichele, Miller and Brown

Keller moved to approve the lo-

cal permit for a raffle for Knife River Pheasants Forever at the Civic Center on April 26, 2025. Miller seconded. Roll call vote found Biles, Keller, Baker, Plienis, Aichele, Miller and Brown in favor.

Baker moved to approve the revision to add raffles to the WARC site authorization for the Nite Owl. Brown seconded. Roll call vote found Biles, Keller, Baker, Plienis, Aichele, Miller and Brown in favor.

### Council Member Miller

The Fair Board put in a gate six feet from the intersection that violated the sight of visibility. They attended Planning & Zoning and requested a variance. P&Z recommends approval. Miller moved to approve the variance for the fence as presented. Baker seconded. Roll call vote found Biles, Keller, Baker, Plienis, Aichele, Miller and Brown in favor.

Building Permits Required - P&Z has agreed to allow some items that require a permit to no longer require a permit. A list was provided showing which items require permits and which do not. Discussion followed. Miller moved to approve the list of items requiring a building permit as presented. Brown seconded. Roll call vote found Biles, Keller, Baker, Plienis, Aichele, Miller and Brown in favor.

### **Council Member Biles**

The Water Dept. would like to purchase a hot water jetter to steam out lines that are frozen. There are funds available for equipment in the Water fund, but those funds are for other equipment needs. There is \$80,000 cash in the Water Equipment Reserve

fund. Biles moved to amend the budget to purchase a hot water jetter for \$11,000 out of the Water Equipment Reserve fund. Brown seconded. Roll call vote found Biles, Brown, Baker, Plienis, Aichele, Miller and Keller in favor.

### **CITY PERSONNEL** City Engineer

Berner presented information on Main Street Phase II communication and design. She commented on meetings that have taken place with the public and city staff. The main item discussed was that the public wanted more communication in the first project. Berner went over other items for Phase II: prioritizing water and sewer, project cost, and communication. She explained that the bridge repair will cause the road to be closed. Details of potential design for the project were explained. Berner commented on other grant opportunities available for the project.

### Police Chief

The police vehicle routers need to be replaced because of the new computers. They will be receiving them at a very discounted cost. Senn attended the legislature to testify on some bills.

#### City Attorney

Aichele moved to have the second reading of Ordinance No. 459 for the removal of snow and ice. Miller seconded. Roll call vote found Biles, Keller, Baker, Plienis, Aichele, Miller and Brown in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm. Jason Isaak, Council President Heather Ferebee, City Auditor (04/08/2025)

### **CITY OF BEULAH MARCH 18 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**CITY OF BEULAH** MARCH 18, 2025, 5:00 PM BEULAH CITY HALL COUNCIL **CHAMBERS** 

### SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Special Meeting of the Beulah City Council was called to order at 5:00 pm by Mayor Sean Cheatley with Council Members Jason Isaak, Kameron Plienis, Cameron Brown, Bill Keller, Timothy Aichele, Auston Biles and Gary Miller present. Adam Baker

Also Present: Economic Dev. Dir. Beaver Brinkman, Police Chief Frank Senn, City Auditor Heather Ferebee, Water Supt. Gary Bovkoon, Deputy Auditor Darla Knutson, Rebecca Berner, Calvin Coles and Andrew O'Brien with Waterworth, Beulah Residents.

### WATERWORTH PRESENTATION **ON UTILITY RATES**

Coles presented graphs that displayed future expenses and revenue for Water, Sewer, Storm Water and Garbage funds. Projected or anticipated revenues going forward will not cover anticipated expenses. A 25% increase would be needed to Water, Sewer, Storm Water and Garbage fees to keep up with expenses. Charts were shown with and without the Transfer Station. A 3% annual increase to the Garbage fund would be sufficient without the expenses of the Transfer Station. These scenarios do not include

the \$700,000 that the Garbage fund owes the General fund. Discussion followed on how to increase revenue at the Transfer Station. If the city did not have a Transfer Station, residents would need to take their items to the Mercer County Landfill. The annual transfers to the General fund do not help with the utility fund expenses. Discussion followed on what would be needed if the population increased. If the rate increases were changed to 10% for 2026 and 15% for 2027, the city would stay in the black but there would be more risk as the city would not have 25% reserves to pay expenses while waiting for revenue. It was stated the city will still need to borrow money on infrastructure projects going forward.

The AE2S survey on water rates of other cities was shared. Also, a comparison of rates of neighboring cities was shared. The Storm Water fund takes care of grates, erosion, and storm water drainage. There was discussion on whether the city should have a tier system on water rates and sewer rates. Bovkoon shared the cost of current expenses in the Sewer Dept. Council has the opportunity to come up with scenarios for Waterworth to run.

Meeting adjourned at 6:07 pm. Sean Cheatley, Mayor Heather Ferebee, City Auditor (04/08/2025)

**St. Jude Novena**To St. Jude, Holy St. Jude, Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in Miracles, near kinsman and Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need.

To you I have recourse from the depths of my heart and humbly beg to who God had given such great power to come to my assistance.

Help me in my present and urgent petition. In treturn I promise to make known your name and cause you to be involved. St. Jude, Pray for us and all who invoke your aid.

Say three (3) Our Fathers, three (3) Hail Mary's and Glory Be. Publication must be promised. My request has been granted. Say this Novena on nine (9) consecutive days.

# BEULAH BEACON

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Unclaimed property

School Board issues

Elections/Polling places, initiative petitions

Tax assessments/proposals



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### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WANTED**

Rolette County Housing Authority is seeking applicants for the full time Position of Executive Director in Rolla, ND. Minimum Qualifications: Equivalent to graduation from an accredited fouryear college/university with major coursework in business-public administration, finance, planning, social work, or related field, and 5 documented years of progressively responsible executive/management experience in program planning. Housing Authority /Public Housing experience preferred. Starting Salary: \$61,111-\$67,222, depending on experience/qualifications. Applications w/full position description can be obtained by contacting: Rolette County Housing Authority, P.O Box 455, 211 2nd Ave NE, Rolla, ND, 701-477-7772, or contact: Terry Hanson, Executive Director, thanson@thegfha.org 701-740-6738

### 2025 **PUBLIC HEARING FOR WEST RIVER TRANSIT**

**APRIL 17, 2025 - 9:30 A.M. CST** 

3750 E. ROSSER AVENUE BISMARCK, ND 58501

**ALL INDIVIDUALS WISHING TO** COMMENT ON ANY CONCERNS OR INTERESTS, PLEASE ATTEND THE WRT PUBLIC HEARING. THANK YOU, WEST RIVER TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION