

BUTTERFIELD CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION

MONDAY, JULY 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2026

5:00 P.M.

THE BUTTERFIELD CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION MONDAY, JULY 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2026.

MEMBERS PRESENT: MARK O. WARNER, KENT WINTERS, RORY HALER, NATHAN MATHISTAD, AND ALAN PANKRATZ. OTHERS PRESENT: MICHAEL NAKER, TAMMY WINTERS, JEFF WITTNEY, MIKE LINSCHIED, SCOTT LINSCHIED, AND KRISTINA REHNELT.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR MARK O. WARNER AT 5:00 P.M.

THE APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA WAS APPROVED WITH THE ADDITIONS OF ADVANCED MICROBIAL SOLUTIONS AND A LETTER FROM SUNDE, OLSON, KIRCHER & ZENDER. ON MOTION BY RORY HALER AND A SECOND BY NATE MATHISTAD. MOTION CARRIED.

CONSENT ITEMS SUCH AS MEETING MINUTES, FINANCIAL REPORTS, AND PAYMENT OF BILLS WERE APPROVED ON A MOTION BY NATE MATHISTAD AND A SECOND BY ALAN PANKRATZ. MOTION CARRIED.

A MAINTENANCE REPORT WAS GIVEN BY MIKE AND SCOTT LINSCHIED. PUMPS FOR THE NORTH LIFT STATION HAVE BEEN ORDERED. MIDWEST PUMP WILL SCHEDULE FOR THEM TO BE INSTALLED WHEN THEY ARRIVE. THERE WAS AN ISSUE WITH THE WATER TOWER LAST WEEK, THE COMPUTER WENT DOWN AND WASN'T SENDING SIGNAL TO RED ROCK RURAL. MIKE CALLED THEM AND THEY CAME AND FIXED IT. EVERYTHING IS CLEANED UP FROM THE STORM. THEY ARE GOING TO TRY TO CUT FOR THE MANHOLE COVER BY ELWELL AVE INSTEAD DUE TO CONSTRUCTION AT THE SCHOOL.

NO SEWER REPORT WAS GIVEN.

NO STREET REPORT WAS GIVEN.

NO WATER REPROT WAS GIVEN.

LIQUOR STORE REPORT WAS GIVEN BY RORY HALER. THERE WAS A SMALL REVENUE FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE. HE IS GOING TO CHECK WITH JADA ABOUT CANNIBAS PRODUCTS EXPIRING.

COUNCIL CALLED ON MATTHEW JUNKER. MATT WAS CURIOUS ON HOW KENT WINTERS GOT THE SEWER HOOKUP APPROVED TO GO TO THE NEW SHED. KENT EXPLAINED IT WAS APPROVED WHEN THE PERMIT WAS BROUGHT TO THE COUNCIL. THE CITY DID NOT PAY FOR IT KENT PAID FOR ALL OF IT. NICKEL CONSTRUCTION HOOKED IN AN EIGHT-INCH LINE TO THE

SEWER AND HE TIED IN A FOUR INCH LINE FOR VELOCITY. COUNCIL LET MATT KNOW IN THE FUTURE HE COULD ALSO TIE INTO THE SEWER LINE AT HIS OWN EXPENSE.

COUNCIL CALLED ON JEFF WHITNEY WITH BUTTERFIELD FOODS. JEFF ASKED COUNCIL TO WAVE THE FINE FROM MAY 2026 BILLING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,327.65. IT WAS DETERMINED THERE WERE PROBLEMS WITH THE TESTING EQUIPMENT AND IT COULD HAVE BEEN SOMETHING AS SIMPLE AS A PIECE OF FAT GETTING SUCKED INTO THE SAMPLER. SCOTT LINSCHIED DID LET COUNCIL KNOW THAT THE SAMPLER TUBE IS FALLING APART AND UC LABS IS NOW SENDING EMAILS TO EVERYONE 2 DAYS AFTER SAMPLES ARE TAKEN TO HELP KEEP AN EYE ON IT. JEFF LET COUNCIL KNOW THAT FOODS WILL ALSO BE COMPLETELY REMODELING AND FIXING THE REX UNIT WHICH WILL BE INCREDIBLY COSTLY. TAMMY WINTERS ASKED IF SOMETHING COULD BE PUT IN THE NEWSLETTER ABOUT THE ORDINANCE ON OWNING CHICKENS IN TOWN. IT WAS APPROVED TO WAIVE THE FINE ON A MOTION BY RORY HALER AND A SECOND BY KENT WINTERS. MOTION CARRIED.

COUNCIL CALLED ON MICHAEL NAKER WITH ADVANCED MICROBIAL SOLUTIONS (AMS). AMS WORKS WITH SLUDGE IN LAGOONS BY USING BACTERIA PRODUCTS THAT EAT THE SLUDGE. AMS ALSO WORKS WITH HAWKINS. CURRENTLY OUR PONDS HAVE 28 FEET OF SLUDGE AND IS BEING TREATED WITH BUGS FROM HAWKINS. MICHAEL WOULD ALSO ENCOURAGE BUTTERFIELD FOODS TO USE THIS AT THEIR PLANT TO HELP AT THE PONDS AND ENCOURAGE THE CITY TO TREAT THE PONDS FROM APRIL TO OCTOBER. TWO CHOICES WERE GIVEN TO COUNCIL; AMS COULD USE TRAILERS THAT WOULD HELP DREDGE THE PONDS AT A COST OF \$3-\$4 MILLION OR THEY COULD TRY 250 GALLON TOTES AT A COST OF \$5500 A MONTH. HAWKINS WOULD BRING THE TOTES AND WILL TRAIN MIKE AND SCOTT LINSCHIED. A DECISION WAS MADE TO TRY THE TOTES FOR TWO MONTHS. ON A MOTION BY ALAN PANKRATZ AND A SECOND BY RORY HALER. MOTION CARRIED.

LIQUOR LICENSE FOR BUCKSHOTS WAS APPROVED ON A MOTION BY RORY HALER AND A SECOND BY NATHAN MATHISTAD. MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON DOING SOME LANDSCAPING AT THE CITY SIGN, THE EDA APARTMENTS, AND THE LIBRARY. KRISTINA REHNELT WILL REACH OUT TO TOTAL LANDSCAPING, B & B, AND KULSETH FOR PROPOSALS AND QOUTES. COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO SEE WEEDS CLEANED OUT OF ROCKS, BRICKS AT SIGN FIXED, AND SOME BUSHES REMOVED. WOULD LIKE THE QOUTES FOR THE NEXT MEETING. DISCUSSION WAS TABLED.

DISSCUSSION WAS HELD ON A POSSIBLE ORDINACE FOR BANNING DATA CENTERS IN THE FUTURE. COUNCIL WAS GIVEN INFORMATION FROM STEVE SUNDE AND A LETTER FROM SUNDE OLDEN KIRCHER & ZENDER THAT ZACHARY STROM IS LEAVING THE PRACTICE TO START HIS OWN. DISCUSSION WAS TABLED.

IN OLD BUSINESS THE BOY SCOUT SHELTER WAS TABLED.

IN OPEN FORUM POLES AND FLAGS ON THE STREET POLES NEED TO BE REPLACED IN THE FUTURE. MARK AND KRISTINA WILL CONTINUE TO LOOK FOR PRICING.

ON A MOTION BY RORY HALER AND A SECOND BY NATHAN MATHISTAD THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 6:27 P.M.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kristina Rehnelt", written in a cursive style.

KRISTINA REHNELT

CITY CLERK

