**Minutes of the Cando City Council**

The following is subject to the City Council’s review and revision

The Cando City Council met Monday May 20, 2019 at 8:00pm with Mayor Bjornstad presiding. Councilors Gibbens, Olson, Wilson, Harland, Weber and Shock were present.

Motion by Councilor Wilson, seconded by Councilor Shock to approve the agenda, all voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion to approve minutes from the previous meeting was made by Councilor Olson, seconded by Councilor Weber. All Councilors voted aye. Motion passed.

**Visitors**: Sheriff Kennedy was present and informed the Council that the School Board agreed to pay $35000 towards the School Resource Officer for next school year, the remaining $25000 to be paid by the City and County. He also mentioned that he will be presenting the results of a Survey done at the school regarding the SRO at the next meeting.

**Old Business:** Councilor Shock made a motion to approve a variance for Keith Fine (zoning application 2019-05) that the apron of the garage to alley can be 18’. Councilor Wilson seconded the motion. All voted aye and motion passed. Water Tower repairs were discussed. A motion by Councilor Olson, was seconded by Councilor Harland to accept agreement of H&H Coatings for $18000 to do specified repairs and maintenance. All voted aye and motion passed. It was decided to table the discussion on the Moore Engineering options until next meeting, in light of the sewer situation discovered last week: Terry Harland then informed the Council that when the contractor for Dollar General, was digging in their sewer line, hit the city’s line and broke the pipe. When the repair was being done, it was discovered that the line was mostly plugged with sand. Jet-Way Services from Harwood was called in to jet out as much as was needed to temporarily clean the line, so repair could be made. Councilor Harland stated he felt they should be called back to clean out more of the line and run a camera to see the condition. A motion by Councilor Gibbens was seconded by Councilor Wilson to hire Jet-Way Services to jet out the line and run a camera through it. All Councilors voted aye and motion passed. Councilor Harland also mentioned that they hired a part time mower, since the Public Works guys had gotten behind, due to so many unforeseen things coming up this past month. Denzel Olsen is also mowing at the airport, so the Council agreed to pay him the same as they pay. The demolition of the condemned house was brought up, Mayor Bjornstad asked Councilor Shock to contact Teddy Bjornstad to see when he would be getting this done.

**New Business:** A Certificate of Achievement was presented to Terry Harland, chairman of the Public Works Department. This is in recognition to the Cando Public Works Department for satisfying applicable requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act for the year 2018. This Certificate should be posted at the Water Plant and also at City Hall.

A resident of the City asked the Mayor if they could put rock in the berm instead of grass. The Mayor brought this to the Council, and all agreed the answer is no.

The Cando Arts Council made a request to the City Council for funds to complete a kitchen upgrade project. They were awarded a grant of $1000 from the Cando Impact Foundation for the sink, faucet, cabinets & counter top. The estimate for the project is approximately $1700. A motion by Councilor Olson was seconded by Councilor Shock to fund the remaining expense of $700 for this project. All Councilors voted aye and motion passed. Mayor Bjornstad asked the Auditor to check on Waste Management Contract dates, as there is another Company interested. He also mentioned to Councilor Harland that the alleys be ready accommodate the Waste Management truck for alley pick up this summer.

The City Auditor presented the financial reports for April. She also asked the Council for their approval to change the Ramsey Bank Checking account over to a MMIS account to get more interest on the balance. A motion by Councilor Gibbens was seconded by Councilor Weber to change the Checking account to an MMIS account. All Councilors voted aye and motion passed.

**A Motion to pay the bills** was made by Councilor Shock, seconded by Councilor Harland; all were in favor and motion passed.



At 9:30 pm, a motion by Councilor Gibbens was seconded by Councilor Wilson for meeting to be adjourned a unanimous vote was cast in favor.

Annette Johnson

City Auditor