

Downs City Council met in regular session on Monday, April 15, 2024, 5:30 p.m., at City Hall. Council members present: Devin Renken, John Bisnette, Collin Jones, John Cordill, Heather Hancock. Others present: Bruce Berkley, Harry Colburn, and Miranda Robinson. Mayor Vienna Janis called the meeting to order and led in the flag salute.

Heather moved, Devin seconded, to approve regular meeting minutes from April 1, 2024. 5 ayes carried the motion.

In the water and sewer report, Harry Colburn stated he had to send the nitrate analyzer back as it did not communicate with the system. He stated he would like Mike to go to Topeka on May 8 for a wastewater prep course through KRWA, and May 9th to take the wastewater operator test through KDHE. Devin moved, John B seconded, to approve to send Michael White to Topeka in May for sewer classification course and testing. 5 ayes carried the motion.

Colburn would also like to send Mike and Brady to Mankato on May 14 for a continuing education course about sewer lines. Heather moved, John C. seconded, to send Mike and Brady to the sewer course in Mankato. 5 ayes carried the motion.

City Superintendent Harry Colburn reported he received a letter from Wayne Bowles about having to stop delivering bulk diesel and gasoline due to his insurance not allowing him to climb ladders anymore. Colburn and Council discussed how to move forward whether it was putting our tanks on the ground, buying new tanks, or getting a tank for one of the pickups.

Colburn received a quote to replace the back door at the Downs Clinic in the amount of \$821.25 plus labor to install. He also notified the council that due to wind damage, the Bobcat glass door was broken again.

City Clerk Miranda Robinson stated her financial report was in the packets including quotes for 3 chromebooks, 2 cameras for the office, and information on upcoming onboarding for gWorks cloud hubs in the office.

In new business, Sheri Naasz with Cushing Insurance Agency was present to review the EMC insurance renewal with the council. John B. moved, Heather seconded, to approve the EMC insurance renewal and premium in the amount of \$64,725; with the deletion of terrorism coverage. 5 ayes carried the motion.

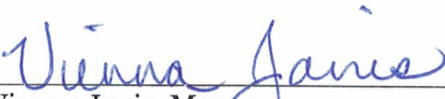
Devin moved, Collin seconded, to approve contractor's licenses 2024-35 and 2024-36. 5 ayes carried the motion.

In old business, the council addressed purchasing cameras for the City Office and new chromebooks. Devin moved, John B. seconded, to purchase two google nest cameras for the City Office using ARP funds, not to exceed \$410. 5 ayes carried the motion.


John B. moved, Devin seconded, to purchase three lenovo chromebooks from Walmart for \$597; using ARP funds. 5 ayes carried the motion.

John B. moved, John C. seconded, to approve vouchers and payroll as presented. 5 ayes carried the motion.

Heather moved, Devin seconded, to adjourn the meeting. 5 ayes carried the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

  
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Vienna Janis, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Miranda Robinson, City Clerk

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