

# TOWN OF HAUGHTON COUNCIL MEETING

DECEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2021

THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS HELD AT THE HAUGHTON TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2021 AT 6:00 P.M.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE DOUG ADAMS, COLBY ISOM, PHILLIP SMITH, AND CARLTON ANDERSON.

THE MEETING WAS PRESIDED OVER BY MAYOR KIM GASPARD.

NEIL ERWIN, TOWN ATTORNEY, WAS PRESENT.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH PRAYER BY PHILLIP SMITH AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS LED BY DOUG ADAMS.

THERE WERE A NUMBER OF CITIZENS ATTENDING.

CHIEF HOLLAND GAVE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT. HE STATED THAT THE HIGH-RISK OCCUPANCY EDUCATIONAL SESSION WAS HELD AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH HAUGHTON. THERE WERE A NUMBER OF RESPONSES THAT WERE HANDLED EFFICIENTLY. THE DEPARTMENT WILL ALSO BE RECEIVING THEIR PIAL PACKET IN JANUARY. THIS GRADING IS DONE EVERY 5 YEARS AND FOCUSES ON A NUMBER OF AREAS SUCH AS COMMUNICATIONS, FIRE DEPARTMENT STRUCTURE, ON-DUTY STAFFING, RESPONSE TIMES, ETC. THEIR LAST GRADING YEAR WAS 2016 AND WE RECEIVED A CLASS 2 DESIGNATION. THEY SCORED 87.08. IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE A CLASS 1 THEY WOULD HAVE TO SCORE A 90.00 OR HIGHER.

CHIEF GIBSON GAVE THE POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT. HE STATED THAT THEY HAVE BEEN GIVEN LOTS OF TOYS AND SOME CASH TO BUY TOYS TO GIVE TO NEEDY KIDS IN OUR COMMUNITY. THE DAY BEFORE THANKSGIVING, A GENTLEMAN THAT LIVES SOUTH OF TOWN DONATED AND COOKED 6 TURKEYS AND 6 HAMS TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. CHIEF GIBSON AND TWO OTHER OFFICERS PASSED THOSE OUT TO 12 FAMILIES IN NEED IN OUR COMMUNITY. A FAMILY THAT LIVES IN THE BELLEVUE COMMUNITY DONATED CLOTHES FOR KIDS. THE CHRISTMAS IN HAUGHTON CREW HELD A FOOD DRIVE FOR ACTION HOUSE, CHIEF GIBSON'S CHURCH IN MINDEN ALSO HAD A FOOD DRIVE FOR OUR ACTION HOUSE. ACTION IS STILL IN NEED OF MEATS AND SAID THEY WERE NOT RECEIVING MANY DONATIONS. HAUGHTON'S OWN MR. & MRS. SANTA CLAUSE WILL BE ESCORTED AROUND TOWN ON THE NIGHT OF DECEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> BEGINNING AT 5:30 P.M. THE CHRISTMAS PARADE WILL BE ON DECEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup> STARTING AT 10:00 A.M. FOLLOWING ITS NORMAL ROUTE. THE CHRISTMAS IN HAUGHTON FESTIVAL WILL BE FROM NOON UNTIL 4:00 PM.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR JACKY HICKS WAS ABSENT, BUT HE DID GET HIS REPORT TO THE MEETING. IT STATED THAT 2 NEW WATER METERS WERE INSTALLED. A WATER LINE LEAK ON SOUTH FOSTER WAS REPAIRED. CONSTRUCTION ON THE NEW SEWER PLANT CONTINUES. GRASS CONTINUES TO GET CUT AT LIFT STATIONS, WELLS, THE PLANT, THE PARK, DITCHES, AND ROADSIDES. THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, ALONG WITH TOWN CLERK MISTY PEE, INSTALLED CHRISTMAS LIGHTS AT JOE DELANY PARK.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BUC MCGEE TO APPROVE THE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER, 2021, SECONDED BY CARLTON ANDERSON. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE. MOTION CARRIED. AYES: 5 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN 0

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PHILLIP SMITH ADOPT ORDINANCE 12 OF 2021 – AMENDING THE 2021 BUDGET. SECONDED BY BUC MCGEE. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE. AYES: 5 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BUC MCGEE TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 13 OF 2021 – THE 2022 BUDGET. SECONDED BY DOUG ADAM.S THERE WERE NO COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE. AYES:5 NAYS:0 ABSENT:0 ABSTAIN:0

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PHILLIP SMITH TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 14 OF 2021 – AMENDING SECTION 1 OF ORDINANCE 1 OF 1976 SETTING SALARIES FOR THE ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS OF THE TOWN OF HAUGHTON. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE. AYES:5 NAYS:0 ABESNT:0 ABSTAIN:0

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DOUG ADAMS TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 15 OF 2021 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORDINANCE 6 OF 2020 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF LOT 2, SOUTHERN OAKS SUBD. UNIT 4 FROM RESIDENTIAL LOW DENSITY TO RESIDENCE – AGRICULTURE.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PHILLIP SMITH TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE 16 OR 2021 – AN ORDINANCE THAT WILL INCREASE THE MONTHLY SANITATION RATE FROM \$15.00 TO \$18.00 AND BUILD AN AUTOMATIC RATE ADJUSTMENT EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT OF INCREASE FROM THE VENDOR EACH YEAR. SECONDED BY BUC MCGEE. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE. AYES:5 NAYS:0 ABSENT:0 ABSTAIN:0

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BUC MCGEE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 15 OF 2021 – A RESOLUTION THAT WILL DONATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT THE RIGHTS OF WAY OBTAINED BY HAUGHTON ON THE 3227 REALIGNMENT LOCATION. SECONDED BY PHILLIP SMITH. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE. AYES:5 NAYS:0 ABSENT:0 ABSTAIN:0

SAM MARSIGLIA GAVE THE MPC REPORT. HE STATED THAT DSLD HOMES DROPPED OFF 16 BUILDING PERMITS ON DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>. THE WORKSHOP THAT WAS SCHEDULED FOR TODAY AFTER THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS MOVED TO JANUARY 11, 2022 AFTER THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.

JEREMY FROM MEYER, MEYER GAVE HIS REPORT. HE STATED THAT THE TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS ARE ON TRACK. THE LWI PROJECT WILL MOVE FORWARD WITH MAY 22, 2022 BEING THE DEADLINE. THE GREEN SAND FILTER PROJECT IS WAITING ON REPORTS AND APPRAISAL TO GET STARTED. PERMITS WILL GET STARTED NO LATER THAN JUNE OF 2022. THE BID TIME FOR THESE ARE MARCH AND APRIL OF 2022. THE MAYOR REQUESTED A MEETING WITH MEYER, MEYER TO DISCUSS THESE TIMELINES.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

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MISTY PEE, TOWN CLERK

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KIM GASPARD, MAYOR